JV Prose Interpretation

Speaker _____

Round_____Section_____Room_____

Judge Name_____ Date_____

Speech Topic_____Speech length (max. 8 min.)_____

¬ Circle a number to indicate your rating: 1 weak; 3 average; 5 superior. Criteria for making your decision are listed in each category. *Please provide comments under each category to enable the competitor to improve communication skills.* Your independent opinion is important, so please do not discuss this ballot with anyone.

CONTENT	PRESENTATION
Introduction 1 2 3 4 5 • Grabs audience attention; teasers permitted • May provide brief background information to draw the audience into the literature with notebook closed • Cites title and author clearly early in the presentation COMMENTS:	**Vocal** 1 2 3 4 5 • Utilizes variety of pitch, rate, volume, rhythm, inflection • Consistently creates distinct, well-defined characters • Distinguishes between narrator and characters COMMENTS:
Literary selection / merit 1 2 3 4 5 • Chooses quality literature with universal appeal • Presents literature that merits performance • Entertains, moves and/or provokes audience to thought COMMENTS:	**Physical: Use of Notebook** 1 2 3 4 5 • Uses appropriate eye contact, off-stage focus, facial expressions and posture motivated by character(s) • Exhibits limited movement appropriate to character(s) • Handles notebook in a natural and purposeful way • Notebook does not distract; can be used creatively COMMENTS:
Literary analysis 1 2 3 4 5 • Maintains unity of theme • Transitions clearly between scenes, characters • Honors author's intention through their interpretation • Presents a clear beginning, middle and end COMMENTS:	**Overall** 1 2 3 4 5 • Meets purpose of demonstrating emotional, spiritual or intellectual intent of literature • Portrays character(s) with consistency and purpose • Establishes rapport and emotional intent with audience • Brings literature to life COMMENTS:

∧ Total points from above; indicate any violations.

TOTAL POINTS:_____/30 VIOLATIONS: Lack citation_____ [1 rank] + Overtime_____ [1 rank] =_____Total violations

∨ First use Judge Worksheet to indicate final ranking after violations are accounted for; then circle this speaker's final rank.

FINAL RANK: 1st 2nd 3rd 4th 5th & below

Judge Signature:_____THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND EFFORT!!