



JUDGE WORKSHEET

JV APOLOGETICS

Judge: _____

Room: _____ Round: _____

Description of Event

Junior Varsity Apologetics is a public address speech event in which the competitor presents an original, factual, memorized speech, written by the competitor (parental help is allowed) on one of the questions being used for the current competitive season (see below). Visual aids are not allowed.

The Questions:

1. How do you know the Bible is true?
2. What makes you think God created everything?
3. What does it mean to love our neighbor as ourselves? Mark 12:31
4. What does the Bible say about worship?

Guidelines

- Time limit is 8 minutes; overtime grace period of 15 seconds; no minimum time.
- This is a unique, original, memorized piece based on one of the four questions listed above.
- Participant must state the question in their introduction.
- Competitors must cite all sources of quotations and references.
- The use of vocal variety and hand gestures is encouraged.
- Physical movement and taking steps is allowed, although the speech presentation must be confined to the front and center of the presentation space.
- Only feet are permitted to touch the floor.
- No props, costumes, or audiovisuals may be used.
- Note that students may express opinions that are contrary to those of the judge. Your judging decisions should be based on the criteria on the ballot rather than on a shared opinion.
- VIOLATIONS:
 - Use of script requires a 1-rank penalty.
 - Exceeding the time limit (starting at 8 min. 16 sec.) requires a 1-rank penalty.

Judge Worksheet Instructions

1. Record the topic of each speaker as they present.
2. When finished, rank speakers by the point totals from the ballots; speakers can have the same point values but must be ranked. (For example, two speakers have 26 points---choose a 1st and 2nd rank). 1st place is noted by "1", 2nd place "2", etc. Place these rankings in column 1.
3. Record violations, if any (see above), in column 2. If no violations occur, go to step 5.
4. Add columns 1 and 2 and record in column 3, if applicable.
5. In column 4, record the final rank. Break ties from column 3 by advancing the participant with no or fewer violations. (For example, if two are tied for 3rd place, advance the speaker with no violations to 3rd place and the other speaker *with a violation* to 4th place.)
6. IMPORTANT step: after filling out column 4, go back to the ballots and circle the final rank that each speaker was awarded based upon this worksheet.

Name of speaker (in planned order)	Topic of speech	Column 1: Original rank	Column 2: Violations, if any	Column 3: Add columns 1 & 2	Column 4: Final Rank Break any ties



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