



PLACING

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Time Used: \_\_\_\_\_

	EXCELLENT	VERY GOOD	GOOD	FAIR	POOR

<b>Introduction</b>	Salutation: introduces topic, captures audience's attention						
<b>Content</b>	Topic: has a purpose						
	Information: accurate and relevant						
	Preparation: thorough and imaginative						
	Development: stays on topic, develops logical conclusion						
	Organization: coherence, continuity, clarity						
	Grammar: choice of words, sentence structure						
<b>Presentation</b>	Voice: pitch, clarity, projection						
	Appearance: neat, well groomed						
	Poise: at ease, confident						
	Presence: eye contact, correct use of notes (and podium if used), ability to hold audience's attention						
	Style: speed, flow, fluency						
	Gestures: appropriate, natural, effective						
<b>Summary</b>	Effective summation, impact of conclusion						
<b>Overall Impression</b>	Mastery of subject, strength of presentation, reception by audience						
<b>Bonus</b>	Given if no use of props or costumes to support speech						<b>10</b>

**Column Total**

				x2		
				x3		
				x4		
				x5		
				x6		

Judge #1	
Judge #2	
Judge #3	
Sub-total	
÷ 3 = Average Score	
- Time Penalty	
<b>PREPARED SPEECH SCORE</b>	

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**Judge's Signature**



Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Club: \_\_\_\_\_

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<b>Introduction</b>	
<b>Content</b> Topic Information Preparation Development Organization Grammar	
<b>Presentation</b> Voice Appearance Poise Presentation Style Gestures	
<b>Summary</b>	
<b>Overall Impression</b>	

Judge's comments to be cut off score card and returned to club after the event.

## JUDGE'S GUIDE — PUBLIC SPEAKING

### 1. AGE

- a) Juniors: 9 -12 years old as of December 31 of the previous year  
3 - 5 minute speech (60% score qualifies member for Orator Badge)
- b) Seniors: 13 years and over as of December 31 of the previous year  
5 - 7 minute speech (75% score on prepared speech plus 75% score on impromptu speech qualifies member for a Senior Skill Certificate)

For more information on awards, refer to 4-H BC Publication #128, Award Opportunities Guide.

### 2. USE OF SCORE CARD

- a) Judges are to score using the Excellent-Poor range by placing a √ in the appropriate box.
- b) Add 10 Bonus marks into total to get mark if no props or costumes are used in support of the speech.  
\*\* see note 4a below
- c) Deduct 5 points for every minute or part thereof under time, or overtime.

### 3. COMMENTS

Judges are encouraged to give oral comments to the contestants. This is the most valuable aspect of public speaking for the 4-H member and the time when the contestant is more receptive to constructive criticism.

### 4. ADDITIONAL PUBLIC SPEAKING RULES:

- \*\* a) Visual aids (including hand help props) & costumes (including 4-H uniforms) relating to the speech are not allowed as the speech then becomes an illustrated talk.
- b) No indication of elapsed time to be given to the speaker during the speech.
- c) The Master of Ceremonies should introduce the speaker's name, club and region, but not the topic.

It is suggested that club / district / regional competitions should follow the above rules as closely as possible.

**FOR FURTHER DETAILS, SEE 4-H BC PUBLICATIONS  
#1805 COMMUNICATION LEADERS' GUIDE & #1806 COMMUNICATION MANUAL**

### Areas for Improvement:

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### Additional Comments:

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