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Description

Are you a wordsmith with a passion for public speaking? This competition challenges you to harness the power of words to captivate your audience with a compelling speech, either persuading them to a specific viewpoint or enlightening them on a chosen topic.

Requirements

1. Single Speech, Concise Delivery: Present a single, original speech that doesn't exceed five minutes.
2. Your Unique Voice: The speech must be your own original work, crafted to inform or persuade.
3. Focus on Substance, Not Spectacle: Avoid dramatic performances, costumes, or props.

Scoring

Criteria	Points	Description
Delivery	25	Diction, pronunciation, enunciation, tempo, time, and memorization.
Interpretation	25	Subject matter, theme, logic, and coherence.
Platform Presence	25	Poise, attitude, audience engagement, and overall impression.
Projection	25	Voice quality, emphasis, tone, and volume.

Tips for Contestants

- Know Your Audience: Tailor your speech to resonate with your specific audience.
- Practice Makes Perfect: Rehearse your speech multiple times to ensure smooth delivery.
- Master Your Material: Memorize your speech thoroughly to avoid relying on notes.
- Project Your Voice: Speak clearly and loudly to engage your audience.
- Use Body Language Effectively: Employ gestures and eye contact to enhance your message.
- Connect Emotionally: Convey passion and sincerity to captivate your listeners.
- Time Yourself: Practice within the five-minute time limit to avoid penalties.
- Seek Feedback: Practice your speech in front of others and solicit constructive criticism.
- Embrace Nervous Energy: Channel your nerves into positive energy to fuel your performance.
- Be Yourself: Let your personality shine through in your delivery.