

IMPROMPTU GENERAL RULES

Impromptu is a limited preparation speech in which the speaker is given two minutes to prepare a five-minute speech on a randomly drawn topic.

- The speech must be an original work, prepared on the spot. The student will pick three topics out of an envelope, choose one and return the other three.
- Topics are either quotations or abstract words. All topics in a given round should be one or the other. Rounds should alternate between quotations and abstract words.
- Prep time begins when the student receives the topics.
- No outside sources may be brought into the room other than a blank piece of paper.
- The student may write notes during prep time but no notes may be used during the speech.
- The speaker must adhere to and **state the topic word for word early in the speech** (penalized 1 rank for failure to do so). The speaker may approach the topic in any way.
- The head judge will have a list of possible topics in each room and the envelope of topics to be chosen from.
- No props, audiovisuals or gratuitous vulgarity will be allowed.
- No speakers are permitted to listen to other impromptu speakers before speaking themselves. They may remain in the room after their speech.
- Time limit: 2 minutes of preparation time; 5 minutes maximum speaking time (29 second grace period). There is no minimum time. (Student will be penalized 1 rank for going over the time and grace period. Audience participation, which extends the time of the speech, will not penalize the speaker).
- Student may express opinions, which are contrary to that of the judge. The speech should be evaluated on the quality of the analysis and presentation, not the opinions presented.

Section 1 Room 2216 7:15pm Category A

JUDGE TABULATION FORM			
Judge: B. Moore		Round 2	
Adjusted Rank in Round <i>No ties</i>	Rank in Round <i>No ties</i>	Speaker	Topic
		4 Lisa Ricker	
		2 Mandy Hettler	
		16 Brian Hoff	
		1 Fred Fancher	
		7 Crystan Monroe	
		26 Charmaine King	
		12 Chuck Billings	