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Judging vs. Evaluations

Contest Judge's Training
2023-2024

Scope

- What is being covered?
 - How to be an effective contest Judge
 - How to complete the Judge's ballot
 - How to report your results
- What is not being covered
 - How to conduct a contest
 - Zoom Master

Agenda

- Toastmasters Core Values
- The Purpose of Contests
- The Speech Contest Rulebook
- Judge's Overview
 - Judge's Certification of Eligibility and Code of Ethics
 - Judging vs. Evaluating
 - The International Contest: Judge's Guide and Ballot
 - The Tiebreaking Judge Ballot
 - Reporting the Results
- Resources

Toastmasters Core Values

Integrity

Respect

Service

Excellence



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Toastmasters Core Values

Integrity

We match our actions with our words, demonstrate honesty and trustworthiness, communicate with sincerity and thoughtfulness, have the courage to acknowledge our mistakes, and always strive to do the right thing.



Toastmasters Core Values

Service

We treat all with dignity, welcome diverse perspectives, acknowledge all contributions, believe that all have positive intent, practice mutual accountability, and critique but never demean.



Toastmasters Core Values

Respect

We strive to provide high value, exceptional support by being responsive, attentive, and passionate in fulfilling our duties as individuals and as an organization to all.



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Excellence

We consistently strive to meet or exceed expectations by upholding the Toastmasters Promise, nurturing a collaborative environment, innovating to deliver creative solutions, and optimizing quality to produce superior service.



Purpose

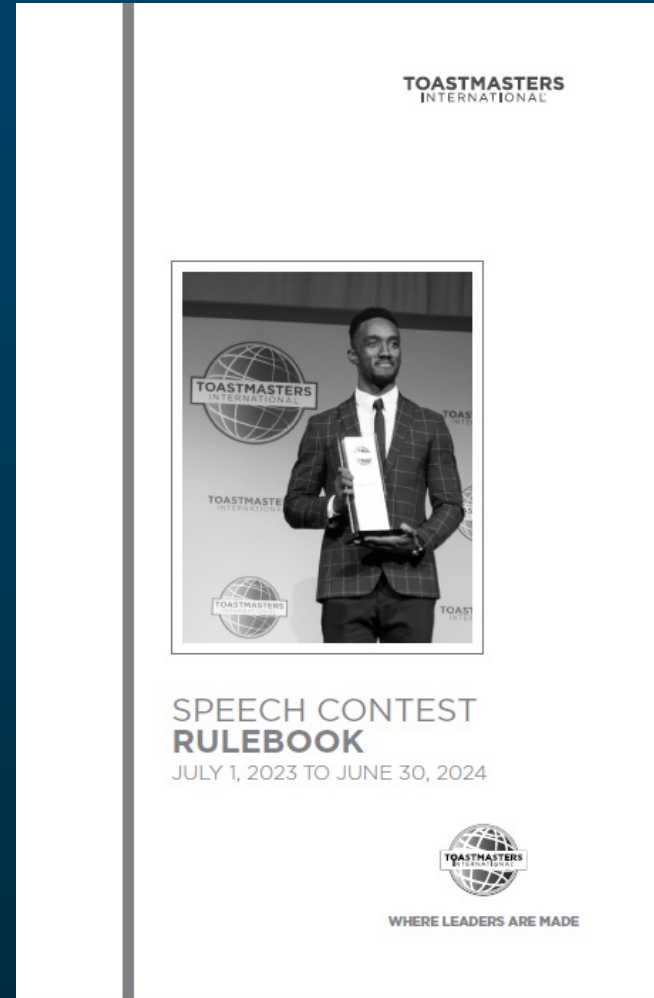
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Read the Rule Book

Speech Contest Rulebook

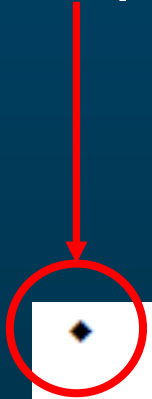
July 1, 2023
to
June 30, 2024

<https://www.toastmasters.org/resources/2023-2024-speech-contest-rulebook>



Updates to the Rulebook

- Look for the black diamonds in the left margin for updates to the rulebook



6. Candidates for District positions elected by the District Council for the term beginning the upcoming July 1.

Updates to the Rulebook – Page 6/7

Eligibility – To Compete

- C. The following are ineligible to compete in any Toastmasters speech contest:
 - 6. Candidates for District positions elected by the District Council for the term beginning the upcoming July 1.

Judge's Briefing

- Attend the Judge's briefing
- Provide the “Judge's Certification of Eligibility and Code of Ethics” for the contest you are a Judge for to the contest chair/chief Judge
- You need a form for EACH Contest

Judge's Certification



Judge's Certification of Eligibility and Code of Ethics

All judges must complete this form before the contest and submit it to the chief judge at each level of competition.

Name of Contest: Evaluation Humorous International Table Topics*
(check one) Tall Tales Video Speech Contest

Contest Level: Club Area Division District Region Quarterfinal
 Semifinal World Championship

Date of Contest: _____

Eligibility

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- At a club contest, be a paid member.
- At an Area, Division, or District contest:
 - Be a paid member for a minimum of six months.
 - Have completed a minimum of six speech projects in the Competent Communication manual or earned certificates of completion in Levels 1 and 2 of any path in the Toastmasters Pathways learning experience.
- At the International Speech Contest Region Quarterfinals, Semifinals and the World Championship of Public Speaking:
 - Be at least an Advanced Toastmaster Bronze, Advanced Communicator Bronze, or have completed at least one path in the Toastmasters Pathways learning experience.
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- Judges for contests beyond the club level are not eligible to compete in the same contest type during the same contest cycle.

Judge's Code of Ethics

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I certify that I am eligible to serve as a judge, under the current speech contest rules, and will uphold the Judge's Code of Ethics.

Full Name _____

Member Number _____

District _____

Signature _____

Date (MM/DD/YYYY) _____

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Judge's Eligibility

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Judges have an obligation to:

- Contestants
- Toastmasters International
- Audience
- Themselves

Judging vs. Evaluating

Judging – selecting a winner
to form, give, or have as an opinion, or to
decide about something or someone,
especially after thinking carefully

Evaluating – appraisal and advice
an appraisal of something to determine its
worth or fitness

Judging vs. Evaluating

A Judge selects a winner

A Speech Evaluator indicates areas of strength and improvement

Judges' decisions are confidential!!

Good Judges are.....

Accurate

Fair

Trustworthy

Knowledgeable

Good Listeners

Good Listeners: Why? (page 9)

- Contestants must not reference another contestant, or a speech presented by another contestant, during their speech at the same contest in which they are competing.
- Twenty-five percent or less of the speech may be devoted to quoting, paraphrasing, or referencing another person's content. Any quoted, paraphrased, or referenced content must be so identified during the speech presentation.

Protests and Disqualifications (page 16)

Protests are limited to eligibility, originality, and reference to another contestant's speech and must only be lodged by voting judges and/or contestants.

Any protest must be lodged with the chief judge and/or contest chair prior to the contest being adjourned.

Protests and Disqualifications (page 16)

Before a contestant can be disqualified on the basis of originality, or for referencing another contestant's speech, the contestant must be given an opportunity to respond to the voting judges. A majority of the voting judges must concur in the decision to disqualify.

Only judges and/or contestants can lodge a protest.

All decisions of the voting judges are final.

Barriers to Objectivity

- Speaker position
- Champion the underdog
- Halo Effect
- Reverse Halo Effect
- Second time around
- Not the normal/standard
- Prejudices and personal preferences



International Speech Contest

Judge's Guide and Ballot

JUDGING ITEMS		SUGGESTED POINT VALUES				1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
		EXCELLENT	VERY GOOD	GOOD	FAIR										
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Effectiveness Clear purpose, Achievement of Purpose, Relevance		10	7-9												
Speech Value Ideas, Logic, Original Thought		25	7-24												
Physical Appearance, Body Language, Speaking Area	DELIVERY 30	10	7-9												
Voice Flexibility, Volume		10	7-9												
Manner Directness, Assurance, Enthusiasm		10	7-9												
Appropriateness To Speech Purpose, and Audience	LANGUAGE 20	10	7-9	4											
Correctness Grammar, Pronunciation, Word Selection		10	7-9	4-6	0-3										
TOTAL SCORE (100 Points Possible)															

This column is the maximum number of "point values" that can be assigned to an item being judged

The Current International Ballot



International Speech Contest Judge's Guide and Ballot

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(Detach and submit to chief judge)

Judge's Official Ballot - International Speech Contest

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First Place (receives three points): _____

Second Place (receives two points): _____

Third Place (receives one point): _____

Signature: _____ (Judge's Name, Please Print)

Judging Criteria

Purpose

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Content (50%)

Speech Development is the way the speaker puts ideas together so the audience can understand them. The speech is structured around a purpose, and this structure must include an opening, body and conclusion. A good speech immediately engages the audience's attention and then moves forward toward a significant conclusion. This development of the speech structure is supported by relevant examples and illustrations, facts and figures, delivered with such smoothness that they blend into the framework of the speech to present the audience with a unified whole.

Effectiveness is measured in part by the audience's reception of the speech, but a large part is your subjective judgment of how the speech came across. You should ask yourself such questions as "Was I able to determine the speaker's purpose?" "Did the speech relate directly to that purpose?" "Was the audience's interest held by the speaker?" "Was this speech subject appropriate for this particular audience?"

Speech Value justifies the act of speaking. The speaker has a responsibility to say something meaningful and original to the audience. The listeners should feel the speaker has made a contribution to their thinking. The ideas should be important ones, although this does not preclude a humorous presentation of them.

Delivery (30%)

Physical presentation of a speech carries part of the responsibility for effective communication. The speaker's appearance should reinforce the speech, whether profound, sad, humorous, or instructional. Body language should support points through gestures, expressions, and body positioning. The speaker makes effective use of and stays within the designated speaking area.

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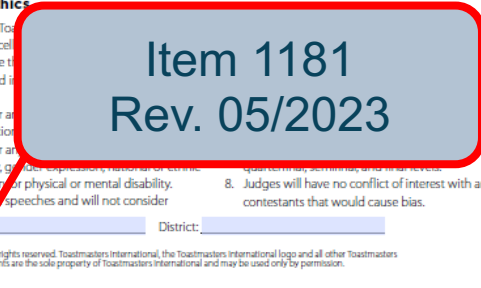
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Judge's Code of Ethics

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Member Number: _____ District: _____

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The International Ballot: Content – 50%

SUGGESTED POINT VALUES

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Speech Value Ideas, Logic, Original Thought		25	17-24	9-16	0-8

The International Ballot: Content – 50%

SPEECH DEVELOPMENT - 15 points (previously 20 points):

Structure, Organization, Support Material

- Is the way the speaker puts ideas together so the audience can understand them.
- The speech is structured around a purpose, and this structure must include an opening, body and conclusion.

The International Ballot: Content – 50%

SPEECH DEVELOPMENT - 15 points (continued):

- A good speech immediately engages the audience's attention and then moves forward toward a significant conclusion.
- This development of the speech structure is supported by relevant examples and illustrations, facts and figures, delivered with such smoothness that they blend into the framework of the speech to present the audience with a unified whole.

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EFFECTIVENESS - 10 points (previously 15 points):

Clear purpose, Achievement of Purpose, Relevance

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EFFECTIVENESS - 10 points (continued):

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The International Ballot: Content – 50%

SPEECH VALUE - 25 points (previously 15 points):

Ideas, Logic, Original Thought

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SPEECH VALUE - 25 points (continued):

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International Speech Contest Judge's Guide and Ballot

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The International Ballot: Language – 20%

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How to Mark Your Ballot



International Speech Contest Judge's Guide and Ballot

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Speech Development Structure, Organization, Support Material	CONTENT 50	15	11-14	6-10	0-5																	
		10	7-9	4-6	0-3																	
		25	17-24	9-16	0-8																	
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Appropriateness To Speech Purpose, and Audience	LANGUAGE 20	10	7-9	4-6	0-3																	
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TOTAL SCORE (100 Points Possible)																						

- Write down the contestant's names
- Include their speech title
- Take notes – both positive and negative

(Detach and submit to chief judge)

Judge's Official Ballot – International Speech Contest

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Signature

(Signature of Judge)

(Judge's Name; Please Print)

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- Remember the **BACK** of your Ballot
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The Tiebreaking Judge Ballot



International Speech Contest Tiebreaking Judge's Guide and Ballot

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Manner Directness, Assurance, Enthusiasm		10	7-9	4-6	0-3										
Appropriateness To Speech Purpose, and Audience	LANGUAGE 20	10	7-9	4-6	0-3										
Correctness Grammar, Pronunciation, Word Selection		10	7-9	4-6	0-3										
TOTAL SCORE (100 Points Possible)															

(Detach and submit to chief judge)

Tiebreaking Judge's Official Ballot - International Speech Contest

Name of Contestant _____

First Place: _____ Fifth Place: _____ Ninth Place: _____

Second Place: _____ Sixth Place: _____ Tenth Place: _____

Third Place: _____ Seventh Place: _____

Fourth Place: _____ Eighth Place: _____

Signature of Judge: _____ (Judge's Name, Please Print)

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The Tiebreaking Judge Ballot

- The judging criteria is the same as the standard International Ballot
- The Tiebreaking Judge is known ONLY to the Chief Judge
- The Tiebreaking ballot is only used when there is a tie

The Tiebreaking Judge Ballot

- You rank ALL of the contestants, not just 1st, 2nd and 3rd

(Detach and submit to chief judge)

Tiebreaking Judge's Official Ballot - International Speech Contest

Name of Contestant

First Place: Martina Karlsen Fifth Place: Seo-jun Lee Ninth Place: Hiro Tanaka
Second Place: Noah Chan Sixth Place: Manuel Rivera Tenth Place: Charlotte Cooper
Third Place: Yousef Al-Najjar Seventh Place: Louise Campbell
Fourth Place: Eleni Papas Eighth Place: Bhavna Patel

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(Signature of Judge)

Laura Croft _____

(Judge's Name; Please Print)

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The Chief Judge and the Ballot Counters

- The Chief Judge and the Ballot Counters are now sequestered to tally all of the Judge's ballots on the "Counter's Tally Sheet"
- There is a tie on the "Counter's Tally Sheet"

The Counter's Tally Sheet

Contestants in Speaking Order

Name of Judge		Name of Contestant									
		Louise Campbell	Noah Chan	Martina Karlsen	Hiro Tanaka	Eleni Papas	Yousef Al-Najjar	Bhavna Patel	Manuel Rivera	Charlotte Cooper	Seo-jun Lee
1.	Judge #1	3			2				1		
2.	Judge #2		1				2				3
3.	Judge #3										
4.	Judge #4										
5.	Judge #5										
6.	Judge #6										
7.	Judge #7										
8.	Judge #8		1		2	3					
9.	Judge #9							2		1	3
10.	Judge #10										
Totals		11	3	2	DQ	5	4	4	7	2	11

1. One Contestants is disqualified (DQ) due to time
2. Louise Campbell and Seo-jun Lee are tied in 1st place
3. Manuel Rivera is the 3rd place winner

How to Use the Tiebreaking Judge's Ballot

5. General Procedures

L. Once all of the ballots.....(page 13)

d) The tied contestant who received the highest ranking on the tiebreaking judge's ballot will gain the contested place, and any other tied contestants will be ranked in order behind that contestant.

How to Use the Tiebreaking Judge's Ballot

- There is a tie between Louise Campbell and Seo-jun Lee
- Whose name comes first of the Tiebreaking Judge Ballot?

(Detach and submit to chief judge)

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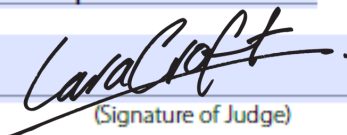
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(Signature of Judge)

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(Judge's Name; Please Print)

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Reporting the Results

4. If a tie results, refer to the Tiebreaking Judge's Ballot.

5. Enter winners as follows:

1st Place Winner	Seo-jun Lee
2nd Place Winner	Louise Campbell
3rd Place Winner	Manuel Rivera

Additional Contests

- Evaluation Contest
- Table Topics
- Humorous Contest
- Tall Tales Contest



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Speech Contest Resources

| SPEECH CONTEST TUTORIALS

These tutorials offer fundamental principles to help members understand speech contests.

**System Requirements: Adobe Flash player version 10.0 or later. **These tutorials may not be fully accessible by older versions of Internet Explorer browsers.*

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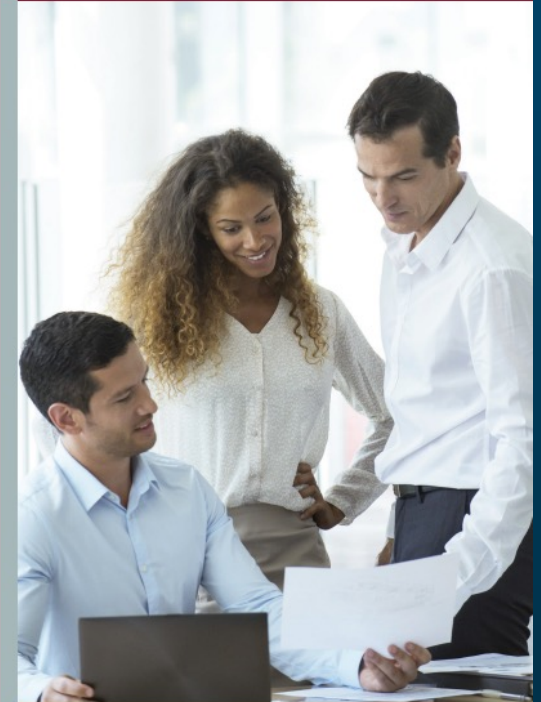
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