



JUNIOR SPEECH RULES

There is NO SCRIPT SUBMISSION for junior speech events.

APOLOGETICS

Sample Questions

- Why am I here?
- Are all persons children of God?
- What does John 1:1-3 mean when it says that Jesus is the Word? Why does this matter?
- What does it mean that God is eternal? Why does this matter?
- What is the purpose of prayer?
- Why did Jesus have to die to provide salvation for me?
- Why is the resurrection essential to Christian faith?
- What is the meaning and significance of Mercy?
- How does science support the Bible?
- Can a person know God?
- What does it mean to call Jesus Christ the Lamb of God? Why does this matter?
- Who wrote the Bible?
- What is sin?
- Where is Jesus today?
- Why is the Bible special?
- Why does God love me?
- What does it mean to repent from sin? Why does this matter?

Prep time: 2 minutes, Speak time: 5 minutes, No minimum

INTERPRETATION

1. Duo Interpretation will not be offered at this tournament.
2. You may use traditionally published literature, literature published on the internet, or original writing. Examples include: prose, poetry, short stories, plays, historical speeches, children's books.
3. Selections may be humorous, dramatic, or a combination of the two.
4. Media transcription from movies, television, or tape recordings are not allowed.
5. The title(s) and author(s) of the selection(s) must be introduced near the beginning of the speech.
6. No props, costumes, audiovisuals, or vulgar language is permitted.
7. Only your feet are permitted to touch the floor.
8. The speech must be memorized.

Speaking time: 7 minutes maximum. No minimum.



IMPROMPTU

1. You must pick three topics set out on the table by one of the judges.
2. You must choose one topic quickly as prep-time begins when you take the topics from the table. Please return the other two topics to the judge table.
3. The timekeeper will start the timer when the speaker draws. There are 3 minutes of prep time. Unused preparation time may not be added to the speaking time.
4. No outside sources may be brought into the room other than a blank piece of paper. You may write notes during prep-time, but you cannot use them during your speaking time.
5. The chosen topic paper may be held and quoted from during the speech, but no notes may be written on the chosen topic paper.
6. No visual aids or props may be used.
7. You must state your topic somewhere near the beginning of your speech.
8. Each speech should adhere to the chosen topic, while demonstrating originality and creativity.
9. You may not watch any other speakers before you, only those that compete afterwards.

Preparation time – Three (3) minutes.

Speaking time limit - Five (5) minutes maximum. No minimum time.

PLATFORM

1. The competitor may prepare a speech on any topic.
2. The speech may inform, entertain, inspire, or eulogize.
3. The speech must be an original work, written by the competitor.
4. The competitor must provide a script and a citation page (if needed) at each tournament. All sources must be cited in text and orally within the speech.
5. A maximum of 30% of the speech may consist of directly quoted material.
6. The script must be memorized and delivered as written in the script.
7. No props, audio, or visual aids may be used.
8. Gratuitous vulgarity is strictly prohibited.

Speaking time: 7 minutes maximum. No minimum.