

Prose/Poetry Comment Sheet



Contestant Name _____ Code _____

Round _____ Section _____ Speaker Time _____

Selection Title _____

Judge Name _____ Judge Affiliation _____

Directions: Using the prompts below, please provide constructive feedback to the competitor. Your comments should highlight areas of strength as well as provide areas for growth. Be as specific as possible in your feedback. Use the space to expand your thoughts on any of these areas or to comment on specific moments or lines that stood out to you. Please do not comment on participants' attire or appearance; this should not play a role in your decision.

Performance

Is the presenter comfortable and commanding in the space? Does the presenter's use of physicality, facial expression, and gestures enhance the performance?

Vocalization

Does the presenter bring the words to life? In Prose: does the presenter's use of vocal qualities like diction, pausing, and volume advance the narrative? In Poetry: does the presenter's use of vocal qualities like rhythm, pacing, and volume advance the performance?

Cutting

Is the theme or narrative easy to follow throughout the selection of literature? Does the selection flow well and make sense in terms of how it's developed?

Reason for Decision: *(Why did this performance earn the rank that you assigned?)*

Contestant Rank _____ / _____

Speaker Points _____ (out of 100)

Judge Signature _____