



Texas Forensic Association

Humorous Interpretation Ballot

Contestant's Name: Veronica Lewis School Code: 3

Round: 1 Section: 3 Speaker Number: 6

Topic: Humpty Dumpty - by Doug Swift Time: 6:34

Judge's Instructions:

Evaluate the speaker using the following *Criteria*. Please offer justification for the ranking in the round and provide constructive suggestions to improve the student's skills.

Criteria for Evaluation

Selection: Is the selection appropriate for the speaker? Does it show interest, intelligibility, and literary value?

Introduction: Are the title and the author clearly stated? Is interest in the selection created? Is the mood set? Is the information relevant to and sufficient for the scene?

Insight and Understanding: Does the speaker appear to have insight into the mood and meaning of the selection? Is each idea clearly expressed? Does the speaker display an understanding of the author's theme, point of view, and intent?

Characterizations: Does the speaker clearly distinguish each of the characters in the selection? Are the character(s) and their attitudes clear and vivid? Are the body responses and attitudes appropriate?

Voice and Diction: Is pronunciation acceptable? Is enunciation distinct without being pedantic? Are pitch, rate, and volume appropriate? Is the speaker's voice responsive and pleasant? Is the use of vocal variety appropriate and sufficient?

Bodily Action: Is the speaker poised? Do gestures and expressions contribute to the interpretation of the material? Does the speaker avoid distracting and unmotivated movement?

General Effectiveness: Does the speaker clearly communicate the selection? Does the speaker maintain the listener's interest? Is the performance consistent? Is the total effect pleasing?

Judge's Remarks

Very humorous piece, but you don't fit the character - it really should be a male character.

Intro was very effective and creative.

You seem to understand the piece very well, but again, it is a matter of it not really fitting you. You have a wonderful talent that would go farther with a more fitting selection.

Even though I don't think the piece suits you, your characterization was incredible. I'm not sure how you did it, but I believed you were an egg.

Very funny voice for Humpty and I really enjoyed the distinction of each 'King's Men' Very well done.

Very creative blocking.

Although I'm ranking you 1st for the round, I do suggest that you find a piece that will allow you to go farther especially at the state level. Your time is also on the short side. You have great talent and I would hate to see you limit yourself with your selection.

Rank the speaker. Circle one (1st being best, etc.)

1st 2nd 3rd 4th 5th 6th 7th 8th

Judge's Signature Eva Evaluator

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