

INFORMATION FOR SCORE SHEET FOR 4-H PUBLIC SPEAKING

I. COMPOSITION 40%

A. *Organization of Material*

Was the material easy to follow, with good unity, coherence, and emphasis?

Was the material organized around a clear-cut purpose?

Did the speaker stick to the subject?

If visual materials were used, were they used appropriately?

Did the speaker stick to the time requirements?

Juniors (3-6 minutes)

Intermediate (3-6 minutes)

Seniors (5-7 minutes)

B. *Use of Language*

Did the speaker have a ready use of words, yet not appear to have memorized them?

Was the choice of words appropriate and forceful?

Was the phrasing clear and correct?

Was the language not overly technical or flowery?

II. DELIVERY 45%

A. *Projection*

Did the speaker capture and retain the attention of the audience?

Did the audience "feel" the speaker's personality?

Was the speaker at ease, giving the feeling that she/he knew and was concerned about what she/he was saying?

B. *Fluency and Voice Control*

Did the talk flow smoothly?

Was the speaker's voice audible at all times?

Was there pleasing variety, pitch, volume, and pace?

Was the voice natural and not too oratorical?

C. *Pronunciation and Enunciation*

III. EXTEMPORANEOUS RESPONSES 15%

Award points based on:

1. Content of response (Was the question answered adequately?)

2. Naturalness (Reliance on own knowledge and experience)

3. Techniques of delivery (Use of analogies, examples, etc.)

