

Science:

A Student Summit on Environment

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Aspect	Excellent (10-9)	Good (8)	Satisfactory (7)	Needs Improvement (6)
Introduction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Gains the attention •Clearly identifies position •Establishes credibility •Previews the speech 	Meets any three of the four criteria	Meets any two of the four criteria	Meets only one of the four criteria
Preparation	Completely prepared, has obviously rehearsed the speech	Prepared, but could use additional rehearsals	Somewhat prepared, but it seems that the speech was not rehearsed	Unprepared
Enthusiasm	Facial expression and body language convey strong enthusiasm and interest	Facial expression and body language sometimes convey strong enthusiasm and interest	Facial expression and body language seem contrived	Apparent disinterest in the topic
Eye Contact	Eye contact with audience more than 50% of the time	Eye contact with audience less than 50% of the time	Eye contact with audience less than 25% of the time	Little or no eye contact
Confidence	Speaks neither too quickly nor too slowly	Speaks either slightly too quickly or too slowly	Speaks either too quickly or too slowly	Tempo of speech is inappropriate
Clarity	Speaks clearly and distinctly all the time, no mispronounced words	Speaks clearly and distinctly nearly all the time, no more than one mispronounced word	Speaks clearly and distinctly most of the time, no more than one mispronounced word	Often mumbles or cannot be understood, more than one mispronounced word
Topic	Well-focused, creative, and appropriate	Appropriate and reasonably focused	Topic is appropriate but lacks some focus or strays a bit	Inappropriate topic
Conclusion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Cues the audience that the end of the speech is at hand •Brings closure •Memorable 	Cues the audience and brings closure	Brings closure	Does not bring closure; the audience is left hanging
Time	Within allotted time	Within 10% of allotted time	Within 20% of allotted time	Not within 20% of allotted time
Questions	Able to answer all questions	Able to answer most questions	Able to answer some questions	Unable to answer most questions