



HONG KONG WIDPSC TRIAL

DEBATING

Competitor's name: _____ School Code: _____

Round: _____ Motion: _____

SCORING GUIDELINES

65-70

Needs improvement

70-79

Average

80-89

Good - very good

90-100

Excellent

(N.B. Please do not give a score below 65)

Guidelines for Judges

1. Each speaker speaks for a TOTAL of 9 mins. First speakers deliver a 6 min opening speech and 3 min reply speech. Second speakers deliver a 9 min speech. First speakers will be given a 2 minute break to prepare the reply speeches
2. Points of Information are allowed in the first 4 speeches, but not the reply speeches. POIs may NOT be asked in the first and last minute of speeches (protected time).
3. The following elements are worth assessing in the debate:
 - Did the speaker develop their arguments and rebuttals well? Were they clear?
 - Did the speaker display good logic, organisation and use of evidence in their speech?
 - Did the speaker tackle the right issues brought up by the debate in a strategic manner?
 - Did the speaker persuade and convince you with their rhetoric and delivery?
4. If there is a dispute between the teams about the definition (which should be agreed on), exercise your judgement to give all debaters a fair 'platform' for the debate. It should NOT be the major factor in your decision.
5. Remember you are awarding the debate on an individual basis. The best debaters may, in fact, be on the losing team.
5. You should be neutral about the topic and not allow any specialist knowledge and bias influence your scoring. Try to judge the debate on the basis of how an average person would react.

Time: _____ Time Penalty: _____ Total Score: _____

Comments:

(N.B. Please make your comments constructive. All score sheets will be handed back to the competitors)

Judge's name _____

Room _____