

# International Independent Schools Public Speaking Competition 2026 Dramatic Interpretation

Directions: Please write comments if there is sufficient time. These sheets will be returned to the students at the end of the tournament. When the round is over, please give your ballots to the moderator.

Contestant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Room: \_\_\_\_\_ Round: \_\_\_\_\_

## SCORING GUIDELINES

<u>70 - 74</u> Very Poor	<u>75-79</u> Weak	<u>80</u> Some Strength	<u>81 - 84</u> Good	<u>85- 89</u> Very Good	<u>90 - 94</u> Excellent	<u>95</u> Outstanding
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<b>Category</b>	<b>Score</b>
Effective introduction	/10
Appropriate use of voice	/20
Appropriate use of facial expression & gesture	/20
Appropriate use of movement & surroundings	/20
Impact of performance	/30
<b>Total</b>	<b>/100</b>
<b>Length of Speech</b> <b>(Judges: Do not deduct time penalties):</b>  <b>Min: 5 min      Max: 12 min</b>	

Note: If the sum of the categories doesn't equal the total score, we will assume that we should use the overall total.

Comments:

Judge: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Judges in the Room: \_\_\_\_\_

## DRAMATIC INTERPRETATION

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This is a memorized selection chosen from plays which are of literary merit and which have been published. In rare cases the selection may be from short stories, novels or essays of literary merit. Screenplays are NOT permitted. If there is any doubt that your selection is acceptable, please contact the convenors or executive.

A simple costume and one prop are permitted but are not mandatory. Items of furniture (i.e. chairs or desks) already in the room may be used and are not counted as a prop. Music or use of video will not be permitted.

The host school will provide a stage area where possible, but the prop and costume, if used are the responsibility of the competitor.

The time limits are from 5 to 12 minutes, including a brief introduction of 30 to 60 seconds. The introduction should give the background of the author and the work, and some indication of the particular interest or appeal of the selection.

There will be a time penalty of 2 points for presentations which are up to 30 seconds under 5 minutes or up to 30 seconds over 12 minutes. There will be a time penalty of 10 points for presentations under 4 minutes and 30 seconds or over 12 minutes and 30 seconds.

An interpretation prepared for IISPC cannot have been presented at any other tournament before the start of the current school year.

Salutation is optional.