

2010 Provincial Skills Canada Competition

Scope Document

Edmonton Expo Centre, Edmonton

May 12 & 13, 2010

EVENT: Prepared Speech	LEVEL: Secondary
START TIME May 12 th : 8:00 am May 13 th : 8:00 am	LOCATION: Hall B, Edmonton Expo Centre, Edmonton
THEORY EXAM: No	DURATION: Two Days

WORLDSKILLS TRADE #: 85

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

Contestants will write and deliver an oral speech. After the speech is completed they will be asked to respond to two questions asked by judges on the topic on which the competitor is speaking.

TOPIC: Skilled trade and technology careers: the connections to Canada's future.

Purpose of the Challenge:

The Conference Board of Canada has identified the skills needed to enter and progress in the world of work, whether it is self employment or working as a part of a team. One such skill area is effective oral and written communication including the ability to do the following:

- Write and speak so others pay attention and understand.
- Listen and respond to questions.
- Share information.

The prepared speech competition is designed to encourage and enhance the development of these skills in making career choices. The challenge provides the opportunity for competitors to prepare and present a speech and to construct answers to related questions in a clear and concise manner.

Skills and Knowledge to be Tested:

- Capture and hold the attention of the audience within the 5 to 7 minute timeframe
- Present thoughts in a clear, coherent, and well-constructed format
- Deliver a clear message (main idea, argument, opinion, or position)
- Speak easily, with confidence
- Use non-verbal skills (body language and gestures) to assist in expression
- Be expressive by varying voice in pitch, tone, tempo, and volume
- Think quickly and answer unseen questions clearly and with conviction

EQUIPMENT & MATERIALS

Equipment and material provided by the committee:

- Lectern (optional use for each competitor)

Equipment and material provided by the competitor:

- Use of cue cards/notes (Optional)
- No electronic equipment or other props will be permitted

Required Clothing:

- Clothing should be appropriate for formal presentations
- Team shirts may not be worn during the competition

JUDGING CRITERIA

CATEGORY	SCORE /10
1. Content <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Suitability of topic • Met objective to inform, entertain or persuade • Demonstrated an understanding of the topic • Quality of ideas presented • Answer unseen question(s) clearly and with conviction 	/10
2. Organization <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Effective introduction • Logically developed ideas • Ideas coherently linked • Effective conclusion 	/10
3. Quality of Language <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Appropriate word choices • Grammatical precision • Varied vocabulary and phrasing 	/10
4. Oral Expression <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Correct pronunciation • Clear, distinct diction • Varied tone • Fluent phrasing & pauses 	/10
5. Style <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expressive voice • Eye contact with audience • Presence/poise on stage • Effective use of body language • Memorization 	/10
Penalties (max 3 points) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Over time • Excessive gestures • Off topic 	
Total Points	/50



COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Dale Wallace	Lord Beaverbrook High School
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