

TIPSC '2025

PERSUASIVE SPEAKING

Competitor's name: _____ Code: _____

Title of Speech: _____

Round: _____

SCORING GUIDELINES

	<u>80-84</u>	<u>85-89</u>	<u>90-95</u>
	Average	Good	SuperB
CATEGORY	SCORE		
Analysis of problem, knowledge of topic			_____(30)
Persuasiveness of solution: logic, appeal			_____(20)
Originality of approach			_____(20)
Delivery			_____(30)

Time: _____

Total Score: _____(100)

If the sum of the categories does not equal the total score we will assume that we should use the Total Score. We will NOT check your addition.

Comments:

Judge's name: _____ Room: _____

How many judges are in the room? _____

EVENT GUIDELINES FOR JUDGES

- 1 This speech is designed to persuade and must be on a serious topic, although this does not mean that humour might not be useful at points in the speech.
- 2 A problem/solution approach must be taken, although the speaker may finally conclude, for good reasons that must be shown, that no solution can currently be found.
- 3 The persuasive element may be in convincing you that the problem exists, or its significance, or it may be a problem that everyone knows exists and the persuasiveness is in convincing you that the solution is valid. Obviously, this may mean that the speaker devotes most of his or her time to the problem and less time to the solution, or the other way around. As long as it is convincing, that is fine.
- 4 Speeches will have been prepared beforehand and should be from 5 to 7 minutes in length. **The tabulation room will assess a penalty if the speech is too far undertime or overtime so judges should NOT apply a time penalty.** Speakers may use notes.
- 5 You should be neutral about the topic and should not allow any specialized knowledge or bias to influence your scoring. Try to judge on the basis of how the average person would react.

SCORING 101:

The best guideline for scoring is to ask yourself how much you would want this student to be a spokesperson for a cause that mattered a great deal to you, assuming that you had to have a high school student present the case.

- A mark in the **90's** means that you would be delighted to have this person as your advocate. Given that a high school student is your only option, this is one that you would want to have. Even a weak cause will do well with this person as your advocate.
- **80's** means that you would be happy to have this student as your representative and your cause is likely to succeed – high 80's you would be very happy, low 80's they would be okay.