

Rubric/Points MAX PTS = 30	1-3 PTS (Weak)	4-6 PTS (Intermediate)	7-10 PTS (Strong)
Preparation	Comprehension of a given topic is poor. Articulation of key concepts show little-to-no understanding.	Comprehension of a topic shows competent understanding of position and resource materials suggested.	Students express outstanding comprehension of subject matter, using resources beyond those provided by the teacher. Shows innovative research and presents novel points on the topic outside that are covered in sources.
Presentation	Presentation is incoherent; frequently speaks out of turn; confusing in speech. Students rarely make eye contact, are hard to hear, and rely solely on text.	Student/group is relatively comfortable when responding to points. Minor to no occasions of speaking out of turn are observed. Student is coherent, but relies on text and rarely makes eye contact.	Students are able to talk confidently without consistent reference to text/materials, in a clear manner with good projection and eye contact. Student never speaks out of turn.
Strength of Argument	Major points not supported; no use of facts, statistics, or examples	Most major points adequately supported with facts, statistics and/or examples	Major points well supported with facts, statistics, and/or examples