

Persuasive Speech

| Category | 10-9 | 8-6 | 5-3 | 2-0 |
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| Content | All content is accurate. | Most of the content is accurate. | Some of the content is accurate. | Little of the content is accurate. |
| | There are three specific and clearly explained supporting points. There is at least one specific and clearly explained counterpoint. | There are three supporting points, but they are general and lack detail. There is at least one counterpoint, but it is general and lacks detail. | There are at least two supporting points, but they are vague and require more explanation. There is at least one counterpoint, but it is requires more explanation. OR the counterpoint is missing completely. | The speech lacks supporting points or only one is provided. There is either no counterpoint or the counterpoint does not support the other side. |
| Organization | There is a clear beginning, middle, and end. There are clear transitions between each section. | There is a beginning, middle, and end but the argument itself may be slightly disorganized. | There speech is somewhat disorganized but the audience can still follow it. | The speech is disorganized, lacks a clear beginning, and/or does not have a conclusion. |
| Writing | Grammar and mechanics are correct throughout the worksheet. There are no errors. | There are minor errors in grammar and mechanics throughout the worksheet. There are fewer than five errors. | There are more than five errors in grammar and mechanics, though they do not affect the ability to read and understand the worksheet's content. | There are significant and noticeable errors throughout the worksheet. Errors affect the ability to understand the worksheet's content. |
| Clarity and Volume | Speech is clear all of the time. Uses appropriate volume. | Speech is clear most of the time. Generally uses appropriate volume. | Speech is occasionally unclear. Low volume at times, making it difficult to hear what is said. | Speech and volume are unclear, too low to be heard. |
| Eye Contact | Eye contact is consistent throughout. | Eye contact is generally consistent, though not as frequent as it should be. | Eye contact is limited. | Little to no eye contact is made. |

| Timing | Meets time requirements exactly. | Almost meets time requirements, is over or under by less than five seconds. | Close to meeting time requirements, is over or under by 6 to 10 seconds. | Does not meet time requirements, is over or under by more than 10 seconds. |
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