ORAL READING CONTEST SCORE SHEET

Class: √ Original Work
   □ Literature
Age Division: Age as of January 1, 2014
   ◆ Junior (9-11 years)
   □ Intermediate (12-14 years)
   □ Senior (15 & older)

Name (print) ___________________________________________ Club (print) _______________________________________

Title of Selection (print) __________________________________________________________

Judging Criteria -- For Judges Use Only -- Circle the number that best represents the contestant’s performance, with 1 being lowest and 10 being highest.

Introduction: Did the reader say his/her name? Did the reader say the title and author, if applicable? Did the reader say one sentence to set the scene or give enough necessary background information to establish the mood of the work?

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Clarity: Were all the words pronounced correctly? Did the reader project their voice? Did he/she change their voice to match characters? Did he/she pause for dramatic effect or clarity? Was vocal variety used by changing their pitch or tone?

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Pacing: Is the pacing fast enough to hold the reader’s interest, but slow enough to build mental pictures? Was pacing used to enhance the mood? Did the reader use appropriate phrasing and pay attention to punctuation?

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Eye contact: Was eye contact direct and comprehensive? Was eye contact used during the introduction and transitions? Was the reader sufficiently familiar with the material to provide opportunity for eye contact?

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Presenter: Was the reader’s appearance, dress and posture appropriate? Was their facial expression natural and appropriate to aid in communication? Did the reader use subtle gestures, avoiding overt activity, movement and the appearance of a stage performance?

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Interpretation: Was the selection meaningful? Did it lend itself to interpretation? Was there clear communication of the mood or idea of the work as a whole?

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Material selection: Did the reader select material appropriate to his/her abilities?

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Total points ______ out of 70 possible

Time Limit: Jr.: no more than 3
            Int.: 3-4 minutes
            Sr.: 4-6 minutes

NOTE TO JUDGES:
Please circle the award ranking color and rank the top three in the class.