



# EXTEMPORANEOUS SPEECH (525)

—Secondary—

REGIONAL – 2014

FINAL

**Judges/Graders: Please double check and verify all  
scores and answer keys!**

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*Workplace Skills Assessment Program* competition.



## Description

Demonstrate communication skills in arranging, organizing, and effectively presenting information orally without prior knowledge of the topic.

No materials or previously prepared notes will be allowed into the preparation or presentation room with the contestant.

## JUDGING PROCEDURE

- The contestants will draw two (2) different business topics and will select either one. The topics may deal with Business Professionals of America, office situations, the business world, etc.
- The contestants will be provided ten (10) minutes to develop the topic. Notes will be made on the note card provided by the event proctor. No advisor contact will be allowed between the time of receiving the topic and the delivery.
- Contestants will be introduced by contestant number.
- Contestants will present before a panel of judges and timekeeper.
- The length of the speech will be less than three (3) minutes and no more than five (5) minutes.
- The contestant will be given warnings via flash cards when there are two (2) minutes remaining and when there is (1) minute remaining during the speaking time.
- The speech will be stopped at five (5) minutes.
- No time is allotted for judges' questions.
- Contestants should be dismissed upon completion of their speech.
- **There can be no ties in the top ten (10) contestants.** It is the responsibility of the judges to break any ties.
- Administrator will fill out ranking sheet prior to dismissing the judges.
- If more than one (1) section is necessary, finalists will be determined by selecting an equal number from each section.
- Give administrator all Judges' Rating Sheets, Judge Evaluation Sheets and contest materials.
- No audience is allowed in the contest room.

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**TOPICS:**

How will saving money now benefit you in the future?

How does social media impact productivity in a business setting?

What do you see as the biggest benefit you have received from BPA?

What attributes do you think are important to make the BPA organization stronger?

Why is it important to have basic knowledge of several software applications?

Describe how you responded to an unethical situation.

What suggestions would you make to minimize cyberbullying within education?

Should schools have a plagiarism policy in place, and what should it include?

How do you define success?

What is more important - listening or speaking?