



Competitor _____

Round _____ Section _____ Room _____

NEWS ANALYSIS BALLOT

Judge Name: _____ Judge: Please do not discuss this ballot with anyone.

Topic of Speech: _____ **Time:** _____

Rate the competitor’s effectiveness in each of the categories on the scales given below. Please write comments to elaborate on the way the competitor was rated. (This will help both students and coaches.)

<p>Introduction: (8 points possible) Points Given: _____</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Captures audience attention • Cites article correctly • Provides clear and appropriate thesis statement • Previews main points <p>Main Body: (14 points possible) Points Given: _____</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presents clear analysis of the article • Has clear understanding of larger context of the topic • Evaluates author's perspective, claims, and assertions • Takes credible position • Content is coherent and well-organized • Uses clear and smooth transitions between main points • Uses 10 minutes effectively <p>The Conclusion: (4 points possible) Points Given: _____</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reviews main points • Reinforces thesis of presentation • Provides closure to presentation • Presents memorable ending <p>Vocal Delivery: (8 points possible) Points Given: _____</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Variety of pitch, rate, volume, rhythm • Clarity, enunciation, pronunciation of speech <p>Physical Movement: (6 points possible) Points Given: _____</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Appropriate eye contact maintained • Effective gestures & purposeful movement • Use of prompt is not distracting 	<p>Comments:</p>
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Total Points given: _____	20 (or less) ----- 30 ----- 40 Poor ←----- Average -----→ Superior After rating points are assigned, rank ballots in order of rating points given.
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Violations: Failure to adhere to topic of article _____ + Failure to cite the article _____ + Overtime _____ = _____ Total Violations [1 rank violation] [1 rank violation] [1 rank violation]				
Transfer FINAL RANK from Tabulation Form if 1 st , 2 nd , or 3 rd :	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	