

The comments/ Suggestions for the 2015 English RT Competition

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Readers Theatre is a form of reading aloud performance emphasizing on vocal expression. The criteria for judging in readers theatre are:

1. clarity of voice
2. fluency
3. pronunciation
4. presentation

Overall, all participating teams were fluent in English and well-prepared for this competition. When grading their performances, I gave greater consideration to vocal performance over visual performance. I gave high grades (>90) to teams that had ~~low~~ loud and clear voices, error-free expressions, good pronunciation and great presentation. I also gave extra points to teams that had created their own scripts ("Impact Reports" Senior Middle School #5), or that had demonstrated impressive characterization ("Sleeping Ugly" Junior Middle School #5).

Judge:

Future competitions could :

1. stick to the original characteristics of Readers Theatre, focusing on vocal expression ;

2. change the grading sheet so that the first and the second ~~column~~ columns do not overlap in meaning ;
the first column would indicate "creativity" while the second column would indicate "pronunciation and vocal expression" ;

3. Whether students have created their own ~~transcripts~~ scripts should also be provided so that judges could give ~~it~~ ^{extra points} to those students who created their own scripts.