

Thank You Darlin' Foundation

Judging Criteria

Delivery and Presentation

Voice quality should be recognized in tone, pitch, and volume. Tone should be flexible, moving from one pitch level to another and should have variety of rate and volume.

Body language should support points through gestures, expressions, and body positioning.

Delivery should be continuous, without hesitation or halting, unless deliberate. Assurance and enthusiasm should be apparent.

Pronunciation and enunciation are important.

Content

In this category, just the material and its organization as presented by the contestant should be judged. Consider the importance to the Slam's theme. Figures of speech, similes, metaphors, colorful choice of words and zestful, descriptive phrases are desirable qualities.

Overall Effectiveness

Consider the audience's response. Ask yourself, "Was the audience's interest held by the performance?" Consider your reception, "Did it move me?" "Did it make me think? Laugh? Cry?"

JUDGES'S CODE OF ETHICS

Judges will consciously avoid bias of any kind. They shall not consider the contestant's sex, race, creed, national origin or political beliefs. They will demonstrate the utmost objectivity.

Thank you