

**Arkansas Communication and Theatre Arts Association
Storytelling – Comment Ballot**

Performer _____ School # _____

Title of Selection _____ Round 1 2 S F Section _____

Length of Performance _____ Rank (Circle) 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Rules: If a rule is broken, judge should lower performer one ranking and rating.

**Selection should have quality and aesthetic value and be appropriate for an audience of children.*

**No props, costumes or makeup may be used during performance. (Only one chair may be used by the performer.)*

**An introduction should be presented containing information necessary to understand story.*

**Title and author should be presented in the introduction.*

**Time limit, inclusive of introduction, is 5 minutes with a 30 second "grace period". Should the performer go beyond the grace period they may not be ranked 1st.*

**Note: It is the expectation that performances are the artistic creation of the performer(s). It is plagiarism to copy a performance in detail from a video online. If there is suspicion of plagiarism, please be prepared to cite the source that was copied and consult with the tournament director. The tournament director will then consult with the coach of the performer(s) concerning consequences, which may result in their disqualification from the tournament.*

Criteria For Evaluation:

Judge's Remarks:

Introduction: Provides essential information to set up story and characters. Title and author are presented.

Blocking: Performer incorporates various activities. Motivation is evident and appropriate for story and characters.

Vocal Qualities: Articulation and diction are clear. Projection of voice is appropriate for audience and space. Actor uses character voices that are clear and consistent.

Acting Skills: Demonstrates a variety of emotions and reactions. Demonstrates appropriate body language and gestures for story and characters. Actor demonstrates a variety of emotions and reactions to fit story and characters and uses appropriate energy and intensity for the story. Characterization is fully defined, consistent and believable.

Overall Effect: Story is memorized. Actor demonstrates enthusiasm. Actor demonstrates confidence and professionalism.

Judge's Signature _____ School # _____