



WU SLA International Speech Competition 2022

Wednesday July 20th, 2022

Zoom Meeting:

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Schedule

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| 9:00 – 9:15 | Welcoming Speech by Mr. Simon Moxon,
Chair |
| 9:15 – 9:30 | Opening Remarks by
Asst. Prof. Dr. Thanapas Dejpawuttikul,
Acting Dean of School of Liberal Arts |
| 9:30 – 10:00 | Judges' meeting
Judges draw presentation slots for each contestant
Announcement of rules and regulations |

10:00 – 10:15	Break
10:15 – 12:00	Prepared Speech
12:00 – 1:00	Lunch
1:00 – 2:30	Prepared Speech (continued)
2:30 – 2:45	Break
2:45 – 4:00	Prepared Speech (continued)
4:00 – 4:15	Announcement of Finalists for Impromptu Speech
4:15 – 5:00	Impromptu Speech
5:00 – 6:00	Award and Closing Ceremony

*This schedule may be subject to change as appropriate.

Topic

The topic for the first round prepared speech is

“Are students in my country well-equipped with 21st Century Skills?”

Rules of the Competition

First Round: Prepared Speech

- 1) Each contestant is given 4 – 5 minutes to deliver the prepared speech in front of the camera. A 30-second grace period is allowed. Contestants who exceed the given grace period will be penalised with a one-point deduction for every 10 seconds they overrun the grace period.
- 2) While delivering the speech, the contestant must be seated. The sitting position must allow the camera to frame the contestant's upper part – from head to the waist, where hands gestures can be seen.
- 3) No virtual background or foreground is allowed. The contestant has to show a genuine environment.
- 4) A bell will ring once at 04.00 minutes and twice at 5.00 minutes.
- 5) Since presentation aids and scripts are not allowed, the use of these will result in point deduction.
- 6) Order of play: The judge committee will draw presentation slots, as listed and the contestants will present their speech accordingly.
- 7) To efficiently proceed the competition, we request that all contestants stay ready in the appropriate setting while the previous contestant is giving a speech. No show or a delay of 120 seconds will be interpreted as the contestant's intention to withdraw from the competition.
- 8) Eight judges will assess each contestant, separately. Scores are kept confidential until the last contestant has delivered the speech.
- 9) Ten contestants will be selected as finalists to enter the second round. Selection of finalists will be according to the judges ranking based on each contestant's score.
- 10) Judges will refer to the scoring criteria given early on.
- 11) Since this inter-varsity tournament is meant to build up academic

collaboration and good will, I request that all judges are fair to all contestants and that the adjudicators' decision be taken as final.

For the second round, Impromptu Speech:

Impromptu speech contestants will each have two topics selected at random by the judges and must choose only one of the topics picked. They will then be given 5-minutes preparation time before delivering their speech.

Presentation aids and scripts are not allowed.

Scoring Criteria: to be used for both rounds

Content: [35 marks]

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| • Accuracy and consistency | 15 marks |
| • Form and organisation of speech | 10 marks |
| • Creativity | 10 marks |

Language competence and fluency: [45 marks]

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| • Using language, vocabulary,
and structure appropriate to their level | 15 marks |
| • Pronunciation, stress, intonation,
rhythm, pausing and pace | 20 marks |
| • Tone | 10 marks |

Presentation: [20 marks]

- Able to make the audience understand the content of the speech 10 marks
 - Delivery of speech 5 marks
 - Time 5 marks
- Total 100 marks**

Judging and Prizes

The judge's decision is final.

Prizes will be awarded to the first three places as follows:

1st place: 5,000 baht

2nd place: 3,000 baht

3rd place: 1,000 baht

All contestants will receive a certificate of merit based on their score as follows:

Gold Prize: 80 – 100 marks

Silver Prize: 70 – 79 marks

Bronze Prize: 60 – 69 marks

Highly Commended: 50 – 59 marks