

Humorous.

Core Performance Rules

The Introduction: Like most events, you are required to provide an intro. It should be around 45 seconds - 1 minute long. Tell us how this relates to you or everyone. You must provide the name of the piece and who is the main writer/s.

Memorization: The entire piece must be presented **from memory**; no notes, scripts, or manuscripts are allowed during the round.

No Props or Costumes: The use of costumes, makeup, or physical props is strictly prohibited. Performers rely entirely on vocal and physical expression.

Time Limit: 10min. with a 30 second grace period. If you go over the grace period the judge is not allowed to rank you first in that round.

Advice

Work on practicing different postures for characters.

Do regular face and vocal exercises.

Always look at where the character would be if they were in the room... ie - if you're a bear but you're talking to a snake... look down when you speak.. The snake would look up etc..

Work on creating unique character voices. Try many different ideas, accents, slow, perky, deep... Try to mimic some that you hear in cartoons that you think are unique.

Watch HI nationals videos.

<https://www.speechanddebate.org/nationals-2025-livestream-archive/>



This youtube channel is very helpful

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLyRzVK1eiPZLEoamFfp2LBCbErY4jAgaf>

