

Tongue Twister Races Judge Instructions:

1. In this solo event, students in the round will first check in, give their ballots to the judge, and are reminded of the speaker order
2. Then all but the first speaker will leave the room, closing the door behind them, and wait quietly down the hall out of hearing.
3. The first student will then be given the short tongue twister and judges will start the timer for 30 seconds for the student to practice (it is recommended that they practice this out loud to a wall like a warm up). The practice is NOT judged.
4. The judges will inform the speaker when the 30 seconds are complete; the judges will then reset the timer and indicate they are ready for the student to begin.
5. The student will then deliver the tongue twister with clarity, diction, reading for meaning and with correct pronunciation as quickly as possible but trying to be without stumbles or errors. Students will be evaluated on all these skills, and being errorless will be more important than speed.
6. Once the student has finished, their time will be recorded. Then they will go into the hall and invite the next speaker into the room. They will also return to the room to serve as respectful audience for the rest of the round.
7. Repeat from step 3 until all speakers have had their turn.

Time Limit: 30 seconds for practice; performance has no time limit – self-limiting by length. Judges will indicate start and stop of practice time.