

Mock Trial Judge Rubric

Name: _____

Memo: _____

5	100	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Superior understanding of rules and procedure is evident in rulings on objections. • Effective authoritative demeanor throughout. • Absolutely fair treatment of both parties. • Kept good records. • Verdict is clear, supported strongly by evidence, logically consistent, and impartial.
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4	85	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Competent understanding of rules and procedure is evident in rulings on objections. Over-reliance on rule book sometimes delayed the proceedings. • Effective authoritative demeanor may be inconsistent. • Absolutely fair treatment of both parties. • Kept good records. • Verdict is clear, supported strongly by evidence, logically consistent, and impartial.
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3	71	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Weakness in understanding of rules and procedure is evident in rulings on objections. Over-reliance on rule book often delayed the proceedings. • Effective authoritative demeanor was inconsistent. • Absolutely fair treatment of both parties. • Kept good records. • Verdict is mostly clear, supported by evidence, somewhat logically consistent, but impartial.
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2	58	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Serious weakness in understanding of rules and procedure is evident in rulings on objections. • Over-reliance on rule book often delayed the proceedings. • Ineffective authoritative demeanor impeded justice. • May be some bias in treatment of parties. • Kept good records. • Verdict is unclear, supported weakly by evidence, may have logically inconsistencies.

INFORMATION

- There is no credit for tasks scoring below level 2. The rubric is on a five-point scale to parallel the NYS essay rubrics.

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