

Contestants may be assigned to sections and speaker order may be established prior to the day of the meet. If the contest director prefers, the contestants in each preliminary section may draw for speaker order just before the contest begins.

Say: This is the UIL Impromptu Speaking event. One at a time, contestants will draw three topics, select one and return the other two to the container. Contestants will have three minutes to prepare. Blank paper may be used to organize ideas during preparation; however, notes may not be used during the speech. The time limit for each speech is five minutes. If a contestant exceeds five minutes, he or she will be penalized one rank. Contestants may remain in the contest room. Audiences are permitted. Audiences are to remain seated and quiet during all presentations. Audience courtesy should be extended at all times.