

# Evaluation A8 – Using Humour

Appropriate and significant humour, introduced naturally, which enhances the subject matter and its presentation. Give examples of strengths and weaknesses and suggestions for improvement as appropriate.

Speaker..... Date.....

Title..... Stated time.....

Evaluator..... Actual Time.....

**Points to note** (See also General points about previous/future skills overleaf)

Was the humour

Appropriate to the speech?

Well delivered?

Successful?

In good taste?

Relevant?

Was the humour

Used for emphasis?

To change the mood?

Appropriate to the speakers style?

A string of jokes?

Did the speaker

Make use of pause?

Have good timing?

Did the humour

Interrupt continuity?

Or flow naturally?

If a microphone was used, was it used effectively?

**Recommendation:** Proceed to next exercise \_\_\_\_\_

Or: Try this exercise again \_\_\_\_\_

**Please return completed form to the Speaker**

Evaluator's Signature.....

Date.....

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Include here strong points of this speech on which the speaker should aim to build in future assignments. Did the speaker maintain an adequate standard in the following previously practised skills?

## **Making a Start**

Manner and poise; air of confidence.

Interesting content; mannerisms.

## **Speech Construction**

Arresting opening and memorable conclusion

Logical development.

Content quality; clarity of thought.

## **Mean What You Say**

Choice of subject; appropriateness.

Sincerity/conviction; persuasiveness.

Appeal to Logic or emotion.

## **Using Gestures and Body Language**

Hands/Head/Whole Body.

Eye contact.

Visible: natural or exaggerated.

## **Using Your Voice Effectively**

Volume and clarity; pitch and inflection.

Pace of delivery; vocal variety.

## **Vocabulary and Word Pictures**

Quality of vocabulary.

Grammar and usage.

Effective use of devices such as alliteration, rhyming, word play.

## **Using Notes and Microphone**

Did either help or hinder the effectiveness of the speech?

If a microphone was used, was it used effectively?

Other Skills: Did the speaker demonstrate any of the following? Would advice be helpful?

## **Rapport**

Was an affinity with the audience established?

Additional Comments: (points worthy of praise or requiring advice)