

Oral Reasons Scoresheet

Name of class _____ Participant # _____ Final Score _____
 3 = Excellent 2= Good 1 = Needs Improvement 0= Didn't Do

Score	Criteria
	Physical Appearance
	-Approached judge in a confident manner, stood at appropriate distance from judge, maintained good stance
	-used facial expressions
	Delivery
	-greeted judge politely, thanked judge before departing
	-proper volume and voice inflection
	-conversational manner (neither timid, nor aggressive)
	-used comparative terms
	-used correct grammar
	-made eye contact (or appeared to)
	Content
	-included brief overall description of the class as a whole in opening statement (i.e. "I found it to be a definite two pair class" or "finding this class to contain an obvious top and bottom horse and a close middle pair" etc.)
	-used horsemanlike terminology correctly
	-avoided using the word "number" when making comparison between horses (for example: "number 1 was wider at the stifle but I admit number 3 had a longer hip)
	-transitioned smoothly from one pair to the next
	-avoided gender reference
	-granted all 4 horses, then faulted the bottom horse to justify its placement at the bottom of the class
	-information accurate and relevant to the class being judged
	-closed with reiteration of class placing
Total	Comments

Total can add up to 48 points above. Judges may add 1 or 2 points for overall presentation, making a total of 50 points for a perfect score of oral reasons.

Points added to above total _____ Final Score _____