



Spontaneous Techniques for Success

- No watches or electronic devices are allowed in the Spontaneous room (if found, there will be a Sportsmanship penalty assessed)
- Assign roles for team members (especially for hands-on); some examples are *timer (a clock will be in the room)*, *organizer*, *reader*, *lawyer*
- Listen to problem as the judge reads it to you
- Review the team's copy of the problem to be sure you know what is expected
- Notice what you are judged on; where are the points coming from?
- Use the provided materials effectively; you don't HAVE to use them all unless the problem says you do!
- Focus on quality answers...they receive the most points
- Work as a team! Show the judges what a great team you are.
- Answer with enthusiasm: sing, emote, smile, laugh! Remember to be excited about the problem!
- Know who your judges are ... they are usually parents. Give answers they will understand.
- Don't discuss the problem outside of the room (not even with coaches!!)