



Competitions

Whatever your opinion on the benefits or otherwise of competition, there is no doubt that competition does motivate some people to do the very best they can.

There are club, area, district and national competitions. They all have rules and they all require some organisation.

Most clubs will hold at least three competitions a year which need both competitors and the following roles to be filled on the night:

Speech competition:

Judges – usually a chief judge and two others

A chairperson

A timekeeper

Topics competition:

All the above PLUS an Usher

Evaluation competition:

All the above PLUS an Usher PLUS a target speaker

Ideally, at least one of the judges of the competitions should come from another club

Don't forget to provide marking sheets and to check that everyone is familiar with the competition rules!