

Talking to the Appraisers

After your performance the appraisers will come to talk to your team.

When the appraisers ask about a certain part of your props/backdrop/costumes/ideas, who should answer the appraiser's question?

- a. The person the appraiser first asks
- b. The person who did the work
- c. No one – we don't talk to appraisers

If the appraiser asks you a question you don't know the answer to, you should?

- a. Make up an answer
- b. Consult another team member and then answer the appraiser
- c. Suggest which team member the appraiser should ask
- d. Take the appraiser to the team member that knows more about the correct answer.

Before competing, the team should?

- a. Practice talking to appraisers about their performance, props, backdrops and ideas
- b. Practice pointing out to appraisers the things the team is particularly proud of that the appraisers might not have noticed
- c. Never think about what the appraisers might ask

Emergency Box Contents

Do you need one? Why? **Remember Murphy's law!**

What did you use to build your backdrops, props, technical devices and costumes?

What will you need to fix your backdrops, props, technical devices and costumes?

What is likely to need fixing?

What might need fixing after multiple practices? After transportation?

What falls apart regularly? What isn't put together too good to start with?

What did you use to construct it in the first place? Do you have any extra?

What items are portable?

What power source(s) will you need?

Who will make this emergency box up?

What kind of container will it go into?

Will it fit into your transportation?

Transportation

How will you get your finished backdrops/props, etc. to competition site?

What types of transportation is available to your team?

Your car/truck?

Parent's car/truck

Rent a car/truck/trailer

How will it fit into your chosen transportation?

Can items be made smaller or taken apart?

Do a dress rehearsal of getting stuff into car/truck – If it won't fit - what will you do?

How can items be modified to fit in? Is there other transportation available?