

Please ensure two copies are made of the scoresheet for each team (Defence and Prosecution) and provide individual feedback for each team. Please remember to time each section and deduct marks in accordance with the overtime rule in the Guidebook. At the end of the competition, please return all scoresheets to the available co-opt (Petra or Heidi).

### 2023 OPEN WITNESS EXAMINATION SCORESHEET

Team Name:	Judge:	Round:
Representation:		Date and Time:
Witness Name:		Room (If applicable):
Barrister Name:		

1) Opening Statement (2 minutes)	1 - 2	3 - 4	5 - 6	7 - 8	9 - 10	SCORE
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Created a clear case theory</li> <li>• Created a clear and persuasive narrative</li> <li>• Identified key issues</li> <li>• No argumentative tone or overstatement of the evidence</li> <li>• Stayed within the allocated time</li> </ul>	<b>Unconvincing</b>	<b>Moderate</b>	<b>Good</b>	<b>Very Good</b>	<b>Excellent</b>	<b>/10</b>
COMMENTS:						
2) Examination in Chief (10 minutes)	1 - 5	6 - 10	11 - 15	16 - 20	21 - 25	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Evidence elicited in a clear and logical sequence</li> <li>• Avoided leading questions</li> <li>• Effectively directed the witness's attention to matters of concern</li> <li>• Used a variety of methods to elicit further detail when needed</li> <li>• Avoided commenting on answers</li> <li>• Avoided convoluted/indirect language</li> <li>• Stayed within the allocated time</li> </ul>	<b>Unconvincing</b>	<b>Moderate</b>	<b>Good</b>	<b>Very Good</b>	<b>Excellent</b>	<b>/25</b>

COMMENTS:						
<b>3) Cross Examination (12 minutes)</b>	<b>1 - 7</b>	<b>8 - 14</b>	<b>15 - 21</b>	<b>22 - 28</b>	<b>29 - 35</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Asked clear and succinct questions</li> <li>• Elicited evidence favourable to their case</li> <li>• Obtained control of witness through use of leading questions</li> <li>• Avoided arguing with the witness or commenting on answers</li> <li>• Stayed within the allocated time</li> </ul>	<b>Unconvincing</b>	<b>Moderate</b>	<b>Good</b>	<b>Very Good</b>	<b>Excellent</b>	<b>/35</b>
COMMENTS:						
<b>4) Closing Statement (5 minutes)</b>	<b>1 - 3</b>	<b>4 - 6</b>	<b>7 - 9</b>	<b>10 - 12</b>	<b>13 - 15</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Affirmed clear case theory</li> <li>• Focused on critical evidence, not irrelevant information</li> <li>• Used evidence effectively to demonstrate argument</li> <li>• Effectively draws together evidence and testimony</li> <li>• Highlights evidence that supports own case theory and undermines opposition's case theory</li> <li>• Reflects responses elicited in questioning</li> <li>• Stayed within the allocated time</li> </ul>	<b>Unconvincing</b>	<b>Moderate</b>	<b>Good</b>	<b>Very Good</b>	<b>Excellent</b>	<b>/15</b>
COMMENTS:						
<b>5) Barrister - Manner and Expression</b>	<b>1 - 4</b>	<b>5 - 8</b>	<b>9 -12</b>	<b>13 - 16</b>	<b>17 - 20</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Confident and effective</li> <li>• Appropriate use of language and body language</li> <li>• Engaged effectively with the court</li> <li>• Asked clear and effective questions</li> </ul>	<b>Unconvincing</b>	<b>Moderate</b>	<b>Good</b>	<b>Very Good</b>	<b>Excellent</b>	

