



## TOASTMASTERS INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 69

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### "INTRODUCING A CONTEST" SCRIPT

When introducing the contests, please use the following, in addition to your prepared address:

Ladies and Gentlemen, Toastmasters International speech contests have three purposes:

1. To provide an opportunity for proficient speakers and those Toastmasters interested in competitive speaking to gain contest experience.
2. To provide an interesting educational program for Toastmasters and the general public.
3. To provide an opportunity for those Toastmasters not participating in the contest to learn by observing proficient speakers.

I, as Contest Toastmaster, have reviewed the rules with the contestants, and these are basically, that:

- Each contestant must be a member of good standing in a Club of good standing
- Presentations must be substantially the contestants' own original work
- A signalling device will be used to warn contestants of time limits
- All contestants will speak from the same speaking area
- Prescribed judging criteria will be used by a panel of experienced Judges.