ESU Performing Shakespeare Judge Summary Sheet

Scores are to be used as a guide during competitions. Scores should not be shared with others and should be disposed of at a location outside of where the heat is held.

Timings

- 2 minute Oracy Component (details of play and selected scene, name of characters playing, why they chose the piece, what they aim to show/achieve in their delivery).
- 3 minute Performance (include skills detailed below).

Criteria is laid out for gradings 1, 3 and 5 - 2 and 4 are not described (there would just be too many words) but fall in between the grades on either side.

Category	1 (Emerging Talent)	2	3 (Class Act)	4	5 (Show Stopping)
Vocal Skills pace, accent, inflection, intonation, pitch, projection	The performer will: project their voice so that it fills most of the space use pauses in a way which may seem at odds with the context of the piece deliver the text acknowledging the metre of the piece in places		 The performer will: project their voice so that it fills the entire space at moments throughout the performance use pauses at one or more significant moment deliver the text structuring their performance in accordance with the metre of the piece 		 The performer will: project their voice so that it fills the entire space throughout the performance use pauses to structure their performance deliver the text drawing upon the metre of the piece to communicate a coherent sense of character and situation
Physical & Technical Skills movement, body language, facial expression, gesture, space	The performer will: apply a narrow range of performance choices use stillness in a way which may seem at odds with the context of the piece orientate most of their performance 'audience out' Duologue only: The performers will demonstrate the ability to support each other at moments throughout the performance		 The performer will: apply a wide range of performance choices with purpose to affect a clear, confident and consistent interpretation of character and situation use stillness at one or more significant moments orientate their entire performance 'audience out' Duologue only: The performers will support each other throughout the performance 		 The performer will: apply an extensive range of performance choices to bring nuance, purpose and add resonance to the interpretation of character and situation use stillness to structure their performance orientate their entire performance 'audience out' and using space in an inventive way Duologue only: The performers will collaborate in an inventive way to bring energy and definition to the interpretation of characters and situation
Interpretation of Text	The performer will: The performer interprets the text with limited inventiveness to demonstrate some understanding		The performer will: The performer interprets the text with a degree of inventiveness to demonstrate a reasonable understanding		The performer will: The performer interprets the text with great inventiveness to demonstrate a thorough understanding and generate an impactful piece of theatre.
Success in Realising Artistic Intention	The performer does not clearly display /connect/ relate to the intention in which they outlined in the oracy element when delivering their Shakespeare piece.		 The performer sometimes displays /connects/ relates to the intention in which they outlined in the oracy element when delivering their Shakespeare piece. 		 The performer frequently displays /connects/ relates to the intention in which they outlined in the oracy element when delivering their Shakespeare piece.