

VERBAL SPONTANEOUS PROBLEM: **ROLLING ALONG**

JUDGE READS TO STUDENTS: (*Do not read numbers or phrases in parenthesis.*)

1. You will have one minute to think and three minutes to respond. Questions count against your thinking time.
2. You will receive one point for each common response. Highly creative or humorous responses will receive three points. This will be a subjective opinion of the judge and the judge's decision is final.
3. Each team member has been given 8 marbles (*beans, whatever small item is handy for coach/judges*). Each time you give an answer, you must put one marble in the container in the center of the table. When you have no more marbles or when three minutes ends, your response time ends.
4. The first person to give a response will be the person sitting here (*indicate a seat and the team member in that seat*). After the first person gives a response, you may give responses in any order until you have no more marbles or when three minutes ends.
5. Once the time begins, it will not be stopped. If the judge asks you to repeat or to clarify your answer, it counts against your time. Speak loudly and clearly.

THE PROBLEM IS: Name things that you associate with the word "ROLL". For example, you could say, "A ball rolls". (*Repeat "The Problem Is..."*).

FOR JUDGES ONLY:

Give each team member 8 small objects before they begin, and place a bowl or container in the center of the table.

Be sure to give exactly one minute to think and three minutes to respond. Timing is critical. Students responding at the buzzer can finish and be scored.

You should repeat the problem for each team. You may answer questions during the one minute thinking period.

Score: One point for each common response and three points for each creative.

Common Responses: Anything that might roll in the normal sense of the word: a wheel, a car, a snowball, a pencil across a desk; or anything that is a type of roll, such as a dinner roll, etc.

Creative Responses: Any more humorous, unusual, or abstract changes, such as "the RAF played a role in WWII," "Lady Luck may determine the roll of the dice," "Roald Dahl wrote "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory," etc.

NOTE: Once an answer is given and then another very similar answer is given, count it as common only and then declare any other answers that are basically the same as duplicates.