

HORSHAM CONSORTIUM Toastmasters Club #3600880
GRAMMARIAN'S WORKSHEET

Grammarians: _____ Date: _____

Language Usage

| Name | Category | | | | | Details |
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Categories:

- IS - Incomplete Sentence
- SDC - Sentence Direction Change
- SR - Sentence Restart
- IG - Incorrect Grammar
- CLU - Creative Language Use

GRAMMARIAN

Being grammarian is truly an exercise in expanding your listening skills. You have several responsibilities: To introduce new words to members, to comment on the use of English during the course of the meeting, and to provide examples of good grammar and word usage.

Prior to the meeting - Select a "word of the day." See the instructions in the Wordmaster Worksheet file. Prepare a brief explanation of the duties of the grammarian for the benefit of the guests. Download the Grammarian's Worksheet from the Member Downloads section of the club's Free Toast Host system and print it out.

During the meeting - When introduced prior to Table Topics, briefly explain the role of the grammarian.

Throughout the meeting, listen to everyone's word usage. Write down any awkward use or misuse of the language (incomplete sentences, sentences that change direction in midstream, incorrect grammar, malapropisms, etc.) with a note of who erred.

When called on by the general evaluator during the evaluation segment, stand by your chair and give your report. Try to offer the correct usage in every instance where there was misuse instead of only explaining what was wrong. Report on creative language usage.

Source: Toastmasters International Communication and Leadership Program, Catalog No. 225, pp. 76, 77.