

King Arthur Mock Trial Rubric

	Exceeds Expectations -- 4 --	Meets Expectations -- 3 --	Below Expectations -- 2 or 1 --	No credit -- 0 --
Opening Statements	“Lead counsel” presents a well-written narrative that includes a clear exposition of the fact-based evidence, using slanted language that lays the foundation of their group’s argument.	“Lead counsel” presents a narrative that includes a clear exposition of the fact-based evidence, using some slanted language that lays the foundation of their group’s argument.	“Lead counsel” presents a narrative that may ramble and/or lacks a clear exposition of the fact-based evidence. Group made an attempt at slanted language, but it does not add to the overall argument.	“Lead counsel” narrative is confusing and lacks fact-based evidence. Slanted language not used and/or not evident to the audience.
Circumstantial Evidence	Group offers a thorough explanation of evidence, addressing all of the questions and including multiple textual references that relate back to the chivalric code.	Group offers an explanation of evidence, addressing all of the questions and includes textual reference(s) that relate back to the chivalric code.	Group offers some explanation of evidence, but potentially misses a question and/or does not include textual reference(s) that relate back to the chivalric code.	Group does not address the questions in a logical or reasonable manner and/or does not include textual references in their response.
Charges	Group offers a thorough explanation of the charges, addressing all of the questions and including multiple textual references that relate back to the chivalric code.	Group offers an explanation of the charges, addressing all of the questions and includes textual reference(s) that relate back to the chivalric code.	Group offers some explanation of the charges, but potentially misses a question and/or does not include textual reference(s) that relate back to the chivalric code.	Group does not address the questions in a logical or reasonable manner and/or does not include textual references in their response.
Motive	Group offers a thorough explanation of motive, addressing all of the questions and including multiple textual references that relate back to the chivalric code.	Group offers an explanation of motive, addressing all of the questions and includes textual reference(s) that relate back to the chivalric code.	Group offers some explanation of motive, but potentially misses a question and/or does not include textual reference(s) that relate back to the chivalric code.	Group does not address the questions in a logical or reasonable manner and/or does not include textual references in their response.
Questioning	Group asks 3-5 insightful questions of “opposing counsel” that leads to evidence supporting their case.	Group asks at least 3 questions of “opposing counsel” that attempts to uncover evidence supporting their case.	Group asks only 1-2 questions of “opposing counsel” that attempts to uncover evidence supporting their case.	Group does not have a list of questions prepared or the questions do not seriously address the facts of the case.