**Mock Trial Instructions – LAWYER**

**Preparation Task:**

1. Prepare a set of questions that you will use to demonstrate to the jury the guilt or innocence of the accused.

* Do not ask questions with a ‘yes’ or ‘no’ answer
* Ask witnesses to describe situations
* Ask them to recall certain bits of evidence

1. Work with **your** witnesses to prepare answers to the questions that you will ask them. Be certain that they have prepared answers that fit with the information given in the briefs you have.
2. Prepare a set of questions that you will use to cross-examine the other witnesses.
3. Work with your witness to anticipate what questions they might be asked under cross examination. Help prepare answers.
4. Attorneys must write their opening and closing statements. This is where you outline what it is you are going to prove. The opening statement must be stated as prepared. The closing statement can be modified if anything that was unplanned turns up in the examination of the witnesses. Again, the text of these may be taken into the courtroom but you should not read from them directly!

*Have one attorney give the opening statement and the other can give the closing statement.*

1. All of this information **must** be handed in immediately after your trial

**During each preparation period, you will be given a participation mark. This mark will go under “Daily Evaluation” on your mark sheet**

**Evaluation:**

**Written (K):**

Outline of opening and closing argument **/5**

Prepared questions for your own witnesses **/5**

Prepared Cross Examination questions **/10**

**Presentation (C):**

Organization/Preparedness **/10**

Question Clarity **/5**

Speech (Clarity of voice, volume, etc.) **/10**

Quality of unprepared speech **/10**

**Daily Evaluation (A): /10**

**Total Marks: /65**

**Comments:**