The Mysterious Malady Grand Jury Presentation Rubric

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Preparation and Research: Witness Testimony	4 Our witness statements are scientifically accurate, fully developed, completely consistent with the claim, and accurately portrayed. The statements show a thorough understanding of the complex ways in which evidence relates to and supports our claim. Our witnesses respond to all questions and keep their answers within the scope of the case.	3 Our witness statements are scientifically accurate, adequately developed, fairly consistent, and accurately portrayed. The statements show a basic understanding of how evidence supports our claim. Our witnesses respond to most questions and keep answers within the scope of the case.	2 Our witness statements, questions, and/or performances attempt to show a basic understanding of how evidence supports our claim. The statements are sometimes inconsistent and irrelevant. Our witnesses attempt to respond to most questions and sometimes keep their answers within the scope of the case.	1Our witnessstatements,questions,and/orperformancescommunicatevery littlerelevantinformation.The statementsare inconsistentwith evidencesupporting oropposing ourclaim.Our witnessescannot respondto mostquestions, andthey frequentlywander outsidethe scope ofthe case.
Voice	Our speaking is easily understood. We consistently speak with appropriate rate, volume, and intonation.	Our speaking is understood most of the time. We speak with appropriate rate, volume, and intonation most of the time.	Our speaking is sometimes understood. We occasionally speak with an inappropriate rate, volume, or intonation.	Our speaking cannot be understood. We speak with an inappropriate rate, volume, or intonation.
Authenticity	Our portrayals of the characters in the courtroom	Our portrayals of the characters in the courtroom	Our portrayals of the characters in the courtroom	Our portrayals of the characters in the courtroom

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	are very realistic. Our body and facial expressions, along with our words and gestures, enhance the meaning of what we are saying.	are believable. Our body and facial expressions are appropriate and add to what we are saying.	are somewhat believable. Our body and facial expressions are appropriate most of the time.	are not believable. Our body and facial expressions are wooden or detract from what we are saying.
Courtroom Decorum	We interact appropriately with others. We stay in character and follow courtroom guidelines.	We interact appropriately most of the time. We follow courtroom guidelines.	We interact appropriately, but at times we seem distracted and unengaged. We follow courtroom guidelines most of the time.	We interact inappropriately and seem distracted and unengaged most of the time. We do not follow courtroom guidelines.