	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4
Technique 5 PTS TOTAL	En garde - off balance,  feet and/ or knees very skewed or out of position  Footwork is different sizes  Balance shifts in footwork, lunge is awkward and off balance. Falls over at end of lunge  Foil held incorrectly  Tip out of position  Bladework is big, awkward	En Garde in balance but out of position, or off balance and in position  Feet shift from correct to incorrect  Balance is ok at slower pace  Lunge is short, or too long or both  Foil is held incorrectly  Tip is in and out of position  Bladework is awkward	En Garde is mostly balanced with only one or two things out of position  Feet move reasonably correctly  Balance is ok unidirectional – loss of balance on direction change  Lunge is correct, but either short or too long  Foil is held correctly, but blade work is not clean  Distance is ok	Balanced 5 point En Garde position  balance is centered and feet are positioned correctly, knees over feet.  Footwork is controlled  Able to maintain balance  Uses the frame concept and keeps distance  Foil is held correctly, firmly but soft.
POINTS	and uncontrolled  Control of Distance/Frame is not evident  2	Distance is ok, but late on reacting  2	4	Blade work is clean and movement of blade is controlled and reasonable
Tactical 5 POINTS TOTAL	Attacks at random times with little connection to opponent; Defense is random.  Doesn't use Distance to either defend or score  ½ steps non – existent.	Defends correctly, but still attacks at random times  Distance is used, but is either too close or too far  ½ steps not used, though understood	Offense and defense is more controlled at slower pace.  Distance is controlled at slower pace  ½ step is used but not effective	Executes offensive and defensive actions at right moment  Distance is controlled at all paces  Uses footwork to set up attacks or to get away.  Understands use of ½ retreat

This is the grid that I will use to evaluate your fencing skills.