

ACADEMIC DIVISION

Students competing in the Academic Division should closely observe and follow the guidelines for the events in which they are competing.

Students may enter up to five (5) events in Academics but must not enter more than once in any event. Academic Exhibits also count towards the 10 maximum in the total Exhibit count.

In Academic events, students' dress and appearance during performance or as a part of any Exhibit, Presentation or Website must conform to the Convention Dress Code (see the Introduction to Convention Guidelines on page IN.14). No entry should attempt to portray the face of Christ.

Remember, students must enter and participate in events in more than one division.

The following is a list of events in the Academic Division:

1. Checkers
2. Chess
3. Spelling *
4. PACE Bowl *
5. Science Exhibit:
 - Collection
 - Research
 - Engineering
 - Theoretical
6. Social Studies
 - Collection
 - Research
7. **Persuasive** Essay Writing*
8. Poetry Writing
9. Short Story Writing*
10. Book Report

* Please check the ISC Guidelines if preparing this event for International Student Convention, as differences occur.

This event does not progress to International Student Convention.

CHECKERS

SCEE will provide Checkers Sets. Contestants may provide their own checkers set (including board and pieces of a regular size and shape) and use them in competition in mutual agreement with their opponent and the Academics Coordinator.

Checkers is played with two players. Each player has 12 pieces of one colour and a playing board that is shared with their opponent. The board should be turned so that a black square is in the corner on each player's left-hand side. All pieces are placed on black squares in the first three rows, each colour at opposite ends of the board.

Black always moves first. The decision of which player will be black is decided by lot.

The players move alternately. All pieces must "slide" diagonally forward to an adjacent empty black square beyond or use the "jump" move - jumping over an opposing piece on a diagonally adjacent square, to the square immediately beyond if this square is unoccupied. Pieces are not to move backward or to red/white squares.

The opponent's pieces that are "jumped" over are "captured" and removed from the board. Players MUST NOT "jump" over their own pieces. If a "jump" move is available it IS COMPULSORY for it to be taken, and if a sequence of "jumps" is possible, the player MUST make all the captures possible in that sequence. When more than one jump sequence is available the player can choose to take any one of these sequences, provided it is taken to completion. When a "jump" rule is violated, the player MUST retract the illegal move and make the "capture(s)" instead.

When a player's piece reaches the opponent's end row (this is called King row), the piece is crowned as a King, this ends the move. For simple identification, a same colour piece should be placed on top of the piece to make a King. The King may then "slide" or "jump" either diagonally forward or backward. The King is NOT permitted to jump over his own men. The compulsory 'jump' move also applies to the King.

The winner is the player who either "captures" or blocks all of their opponent's pieces and makes it impossible for them to move.

Deliberate time wasting could result in the judges disqualifying a player.

Checkers is an elimination competition. No Judges Form is required.

CHESS

SCEE will provide chess sets. Contestants may provide their own chess set (including board and pieces of a regular size and shape) and use them in competition in mutual agreement with their opponent and the Academics Coordinator.

Players designated “white” and “black” sit on opposite sides of the playing board, with the board orientated so that there is a white square in the corner on the player’s right-hand side. Each player has 16 pieces:

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| ♦ King - 1 piece | ♦ Queen - 1 piece | ♦ Rooks - 2 pieces |
| ♦ Bishops - 2 piece | ♦ Knights - 2 pieces | ♦ Pawns - 8 pieces |

Pieces are set up so that the white queen is on a white square and the black queen is on a black square. The white side moves first. The decision of which player is white will be decided by lot.

Rules of movement are as listed below:

- ❖ King - 1 square in any direction.
- ❖ Bishop - any distance diagonally, but cannot pass an occupied square.
- ❖ Rook - any distance forward, backward, or sideways, but cannot pass an occupied square.
- ❖ Knight - 2 squares straight, (forwards, backwards or sideways) to be followed by 1 square to the side. It can pass an occupied square.
- ❖ Queen - any direction, any distance, but cannot pass an occupied square.
- ❖ Pawn - 1 square forward, or 2 squares forward on its initial move. It cannot pass an occupied square in a forward direction but can capture an opponent which is one square diagonally in front.

(When a Pawn reaches the opposite end of the row, it is promoted to be a Queen, Bishop, Knight or Rook, at the player’s choice. Usually the Queen is selected as this is the most powerful piece.)

Aim of Game

The aim of the game is to checkmate the opponent’s King. A player who makes a movement that directly attacks the opponent’s King usually announces “CHECK”. The opponent must protect their King on their next move by moving their King to a safe square, capturing the attacking piece, or moving a piece between the threatening piece and the King. If the opponent fails to do this they have lost the game.

Capturing

This involves moving a piece to a square occupied by an opponent’s piece which is then captured and removed from the board. Pawns only capture diagonally forward. If a Pawn moves 2 squares forward on its initial move to escape being captured, the enemy Pawn can still capture it as if it had moved only one square. This capture must however be made immediately, if the move passes the pawn will be deemed safe. This move is called “En Passant” capture.

Castling

To Castle: The King moves 2 squares towards the Rook. The Rook moves to the square next to the King on the other side. To do this the King must not be in check, both the King and Rook must be in their first move, and there is no piece between the King and the Rook.

Time

All games will be timed at 10 minutes per player to a maximum of 20 mins per game. If a player’s time runs out before the game is completed, the game is automatically lost provided the opponent has enough pieces left to deliver checkmate. If the opponent does not, the game will be considered a draw and then re-played.

Chess is an elimination competition. No Judges Form is required.

SPELLING

Each contestant is given a piece of paper and is assigned a desk. Contestants provide their own pencils or pens. Judges shall give at least two practice words before starting competition, the judge will pronounce each word twice and give a definition of the word. Contestants will then write the word. Each contestant will write **all** words. Following the final word, judges will collect all papers. Winners will be selected according to accuracy. Students must achieve a minimum of 70% correct to be awarded a place.

50 words will be heard at both Regional and South Pacific Student Conventions.

Words are provided by SCEE and should be spelled as they appear on the official SCEE list. Alternate spellings will however be accepted (e.g. neighbour/neighbor, customize/customise). SCEE's list is compiled from the A.C.E. PACEs and the ISC Spelling List. In the case of typographical errors, deference will be given to the above mentioned PACEs and List.

The words marked with an * are the U16 words. Words for the Open category will come from the whole list.

U/16 & OPEN SPELLING WORDS

A	activate	alarm*	apartment*	assign*	balk*
abattoir	active*	algae*	apocryphal	assignment*	balloon*
abdicate	actress	allegiance*	apostrophe*	assist*	banana*
abeyance	actual*	allergy*	apparent	associate*	banquet*
ability	actuality	alliance	appear*	assume*	bargain*
abruptly	acute*	alligator*	appendage	assurance*	barren
absence*	adapt	allow*	appendicitis	assure*	basketball*
absolute*	addict	alloy*	appetite*	asthma	bass*
abstemious	addition*	alluvium	applesauce*	atmosphere	baste
abundant*	additional*	almighty*	appliance	atone*	bath*
abyss	address	altar*	application	attendance	bathe*
academic*	adequate	alter*	apply*	attention*	bathtub*
academy*	adjective*	always*	appoint*	attorney*	battery*
accelerate*	adjourn*	ambitious	appointment*	attract*	bauxite
accept*	adjust*	ambulance*	appreciate*	audible	beacon
acceptable	adjustable	amendment*	appreciation	audience*	beat*
access*	administer*	among*	approach*	auger	beautiful*
accessible*	administration*	amuse*	April*	August*	beech*
accident*	admiration	amusement*	arch*	author*	begin*
accompany*	admission	ancestor*	archaeologist	authority*	belief*
accomplish*	admit*	anchor*	architecture*	automatic*	believe*
accord*	adobe*	ancient*	Arctic*	automobile*	benediction
accordance	adolescence	androgynous	area*	autumn*	beneficiary
account*	advance	angry*	argue*	auxiliary*	benefit*
accountable	advantage*	animal*	argument*	available	benevolence
accuracy	advent	annexation	armadillo*	avalanche*	besiege
accurate*	adventure*	announce*	army*	avaricious	beverage*
accusation	adverb*	anoint*	arouse*	average*	biography*
accuse*	advertise	answer*	arrange*	aviator*	birth*
ache*	advisable*	antecedent*	arrangement*	awful	birthright*
achieve*	affect*	antenna*	arrival*		bishop*
achievement*	affluence	antennae*	article*	B	bison*
acid*	aggressive	antennas*	artificial	bacteria*	bitter*
acknowledge*	agree*	anticipate*	ascend*	bacterium*	blasphemy
acoustic	agreement*	antique*	aspect*	badge	bled*
acquaintance	aircraft	anxious*	asphyxia	bailiff	blind*
acquire	aisle*	aorta*	assert	baggage*	blithe

Accelerate

U/16 & OPEN SPELLING WORDS

blockade*	calm	childhood*	combination*	conscience	courtroom
bloodshed	calligrapher	chill*	combine*	conserve*	courtyard*
blossom*	Calvary*	chimney*	combustible	considerate*	coyote*
board*	camaraderie	chivalrous	comedienne	consideration*	cozy*
boarder	cancel*	chocolate*	comma*	consistency*	craft*
boast*	cancer*	choir*	commandment*	consistent	crane*
bold*	candidacy*	choose*	commence*	consortium	crankshaft
bomb*	candidate*	chorus*	commendation	conspicuous*	crazy*
bombard	candlestick*	chose*	commercial*	constant	credible*
bondage*	cannon*	chronic*	commissary	content*	crest*
bonus*	canopy*	chute*	commission*	continue*	cringe
bookcase*	canvass	circuit*	commit*	contract*	criticism*
booklet	canyon*	circular*	committee*	contraction	criticize*
booth*	capable*	circulation	common*	contradict	crooked*
boundary*	capital*	circumstance*	communication	contribute*	cross*
bouquet*	capitol*	cite*	compare*	contribution*	crossbreed
bow*	caravan*	citizen*	compartment	control*	crowd*
branch*	careful*	civil*	compassion*	convenient	crucify*
break*	carpet*	civilian*	compel*	convention	crucifixion
breakfast*	carriage*	clam*	compensation	conversion*	crustacean
breed*	cast*	clasp	competition*	convert*	crutch
bridegroom*	castle	class*	complement*	convertible*	cube*
brief*	catastrophe*	classification	complete*	convex*	cubic*
brilliance*	caucus*	classify*	completion*	convince*	cud*
brilliant*	cause*	clause*	complication	cooperation*	cult
brisk*	cautious	cleanliness*	computer*	coral*	cultural*
bristle	cavalry*	cleanse*	concave*	cord*	culture*
broil*	cease*	clear*	conceal	cordial	curable*
browse	ceiling	clerical*	conceit	cordially*	curator
brush*	celebrate*	climate*	concern*	core*	curb
brutal*	celestial	clinic*	concur	corps*	cure*
budge	cellulose*	clog*	concussion	corpse*	curiosity
budget*	cement*	close*	condition*	corral*	curious*
bulge*	cemetery*	cloud*	conductor	correct*	currency*
bullet*	central*	clover*	confederacy*	correction	current*
bullion	century*	clue*	confer*	correspond*	cushion*
bulwark	ceramic*	cluster*	conference*	correspondence	cygnet
buoy	cereal*	clutch*	confession	corroborate	cylinder*
buoyant*	certain*	coarse*	confide*	corrupt*	
bureau	certificate*	coax	confidence*	corruptible	D
burro*	chairman	coconut*	conflict	corruption	dairy*
burrow*	challenge	coffin	conformable*	corruptive	damage*
bushel*	chamber*	collapsible*	confuse*	cougar*	dangerous*
business*	change*	collect*	confusion*	cough*	dash*
busy*	changeable*	collectible*	congenial	could*	daub
butcher	chaplain*	collage	congratulations*	council*	dawn*
butte	character*	college*	congregation*	counsel*	dealt*
	characteristic*	collide	congressional*	county*	debris
C	charity*	colloquial	conjecture	coup	debt*
cabbage*	check*	colonel	conjunction*	couplet	deceit*
cacti	cheerful*	colossal*	connive	courage*	deceive
cactus*	chew*	column*	conqueror*	courageous*	December*
calendar*	child*	comb	conquest*	course	decide*

U/16 and OPEN SPELLING WORDS

deciduous*	difficulty*	dynamite	entertain*	exquisite	fork*
decision*	digest*	dyslexia	entrepreneur	extension*	form*
decline*	digression		envelop*	extravagance	formal*
dedicate	diligence	E	envelope*	eyebrow*	formation
deer*	diligent*	earnest	envious*		formula*
defense*	dimension	earthquake*	envisage	F	formulate
defensible	diploma	easy*	ephemeral	fabric*	forsook
defer*	direction*	ecclesiastical	epidemic*	facetious	forth*
definite*	disable*	echelon	epitaph	facility*	forty*
deformity	disagree*	eclectic	epitome	false*	fortuitous
deft	disappoint*	ecology*	equal*	falter*	fought*
degradation	disappointment*	economy*	equality	familiar*	four*
delay*	disastrous	edge*	equator*	famous*	fractious
delegate*	discharge*	edict	equip*	farther*	fracture*
deliberate	disconsolate	edition	equipment*	fatigue	fragile*
delicacy*	discover*	editor*	eruption	fauna	frail*
delicatessen	discussion*	education*	Eskimo	favor*	fraudulent
delicious*	disguise	effervescence	espalier	favorable*	freight*
delightful*	disobey*	efficiency	especially*	February*	frequent*
demonstrate*	dispenser	efficient*	essay*	feet*	fresco
deniable*	disperse*	egalitarian	essential	felicitate	fret*
dense	displace*	egret*	establish*	feminine*	Friday*
dentist*	dispute*	elaborate*	establishment*	fence*	friend*
department	disruptive	electrician*	estimate*	ferocious	frown*
dependable*	dissonance	electricity*	eternal*	festival	fruit*
dependence	distinct*	electrolyte	ethereal	feudalism	fulfill*
deployment	distribute	elephant*	eucalyptus	fiberglass	funeral*
derrick	disturb*	eligible*	evaporate*	fiduciary	fungi*
descend*	ditch	eloquence	eventual	fierce*	fungus*
descendant	divide*	emancipate	evidence*	film*	funnel
desert*	dizzy*	embarrass	ewe*	final*	furnish*
desire*	docile	embryo*	exactly	finally*	furniture*
dessert*	doctor*	emerge*	excel*	finance*	furrow*
destroy*	doctrine*	emergency*	excerpt	financial*	further*
detect*	document	emigrate*	exchequer	firmament*	fuse*
detective	dodge	eminence	excite*	fish*	fuselage
detention	dollar*	emissary	excitement*	fixture*	future*
detergent*	doorbell*	emotion*	exclusive*	flash*	
develop*	doubt*	emphasize*	excuse*	flee*	G
devotion*	dove*	employ*	executrix	flesh*	galleon
devour*	drag*	employee*	exercise*	flex*	gallon*
dew*	dramatic*	employer*	exhaust*	flexible	gangrenous
diagnose*	drank*	employment*	exhibition*	flicker*	garage*
dialogue	drawback	empty*	exist*	flinch	garbage*
diameter	droll	enactment	expeditions	flood*	gauge*
diary*	drought*	encourage*	expel*	fluid*	gaze*
dichotomy	drown*	encyclopedia	expensive	fluorescence	gem*
dictation	dual	energy*	experience	focus*	gene*
dictionary*	duct*	enigma	explicate	foolish*	general*
die*	ductile	enjoy*	exploit	force*	generate*
diet*	due*	enormous	explosion*	foreign*	generation*
differ*	durable*	enough*	express*	forfeit	generous*
difficult*	dwelt*	ensure			genuine*

U/16 and OPEN SPELLING WORDS

geographic*	hemisphere*	implicit	insurance*	kernel*	loam
geography*	herb*	import*	insure*	keyboard	lobster*
geologist*	herbaceous	impossible*	intelligent*	kiln	local*
giraffe*	heritage*	impression	interfere*	kindergarten	location*
glacier*	hesitancy	improve*	interject*	knack	lodge*
glob*	high*	impudence	interjection*	knave	logical*
glockenspiel	hike*	impulsive	intermittent	knead	lone*
glorious*	hoarse*	impure*	international*	knelt	longitudinal
glue*	hoe*	incandescence	interrupt*	knew*	loose*
gnarl	hoist*	incense*	interruption	knife*	lose*
gnash	holiness	incessant	intervene*	knob	loss*
gnaw*	honest*	incidentally	introduce*	knock*	lost*
goose*	honk*	incision	introduction	know*	lounge*
gopher*	honor*	income*	invasion*	knowledge*	louver
govern*	hoof*	incomplete*	inveigh		loyal*
government*	horde	incongruent	investigate*	L	lumber*
governor*	horizon*	incubate*	investigation*	laity	luminescence
gracious*	horrendous	incurable	invitation*	lamb*	luncheon*
gradually*	host*	indecipherable	invite*	laryngitis	luscious
graduate*	hostile*	independence*	irrational	laugh*	luxuriance
graduation	hour*	independent	irrigation	launch*	lye*
graft*	howl*	indicate*	island*	lawn*	lymph*
grandiloquence	huge*	indictment	issue*	lawyer*	lynch
grant*	human*	indirect*	itch*	lead*	lyre*
grasp*	humanitarianism	indiscriminately	item*	leak*	
grateful*	humane*	indispensable		lecture*	M
greenhouse*	humid*	individual*	J	legend*	machinery*
grief*	humor*	indomitable	jacquard	legible*	magazine*
grievance	humus	induct*	January*	legion*	magnanimity
grieve*	hung*	ineffective	jealousy*	legislate*	magnet*
grocery*	hungry*	infection*	jerk*	legislature*	magnificent*
guarantee	hurricane*	infectious	jeopardize	lemon*	maintenance*
guess*	hydrogen	infer*	jettison	leniency	majority*
guest*	hygiene	influence*	job*	level*	malaise
guide*	hymn	inform*	journal*	leviathan	malleable
guile	hyphen*	information	judge*	lexicography	mammalian
gyroscope		ingest*	judgment*	liberal*	manage*
	I	ingestion*	juice*	library*	manageable*
H	icicle*	inhale*	July*	lichen*	mandatory
habit*	identity*	inject*	June*	lieutenant	maneuver
habitat*	igneous	injection	junior*	lily*	manicure
half*	ignite*	innocence	jurisdiction	limb*	manipulation
halt*	illusion*	innuendo	jury*	lineage	mansion*
handkerchief	illustration*	inquire*	justice*	linen*	manual*
happiness*	immediate*	insecure	justifiable*	linger*	manufacture*
harmful*	immerse	inspiration	juvenile	link*	manumission
haughty	immigrate*	inspire*	juxtapose	liquefy*	manuscript
haven*	imminent	install*		liquid*	map*
hawk*	immovable*	instance*	K	listen	March*
headache*	immune*	instead*	kaleidoscope	literature	marjoram
hedge*	impartial	institute*	kayak	litigious	marquee
height*	imperfect*	insulation*	keen*	livable*	marsh*
heiress	implication	insulin*	kelp*	loaf*	martyr*

U/16 and OPEN SPELLING WORDS

masculine*	mountain*	obedient*	parachute*	photosynthesis	practical
masquerade	mouse*	obdurate	parade*	phrase*	practice*
mast*	mousse	obeisance	paragraph*	physical*	prairie*
match*	mouth*	object*	parfait	physician*	preacher*
matriarch	move*	objective*	parliamentarian	physique	precede
matriculate	movement*	objectivity	parquet	piano	precious*
matutinal	mow*	obelisk	parrot*	picnic*	precipice
May*	mummy*	obligation	parsimonious	picture*	predecessor
meant*	museum*	oblique	partial*	piece*	predicament
measure*	musician*	observe*	participation	pillow*	predicate*
measurement*	muslin	obsolescence	participial	piquancy	predict*
meat*	mute*	obstinate	participle	pitch*	prediction
mechanism	mutual*	obstinacy	particle	pitcher*	predominantly
medicine*	myth*	obtain*	particularly	pity*	preen
mediocrity		occasion*	partition	plague*	prefer*
melody*	N	occupy*	passive*	plaintiff	preposition*
memory*	narrate*	occur*	Passover*	plait*	presence*
menacing	national*	occurrence*	past*	plaque	present*
mendacity	native*	October*	pasteurization	plateau*	press*
mention*	natural*	octogenarian	patch*	plea*	prestigious
menu*	nature*	official*	patience*	plebiscite	prevaricate
merchandise*	nebula	often*	patient*	pledge*	previous
merchant*	necessary*	ointment*	patio*	plethora	prey*
merciful*	necessitate	omit*	patriarch	pliable	prick*
mercy*	nefarious	omniscience	patrol*	pliers	primary*
merge	negative*	once*	pave*	plumber*	prince*
meringue	negligible	onomatopoeia	peculiar*	plus*	principal*
merry*	nervous*	opportunity*	peculiarity	pneumonia	principle*
mesa*	nervousness*	opposite*	peel*	poach	privilege*
messenger	neuralgia	opposition*	penicillin*	poignant	probable
midst	new*	oppress*	pensive	polemic	probably*
might*	niche	ophthalmologist	perambulator	policeman*	proboscis
millionaire	niece	order*	percent*	policy*	procedure*
minatory	nocturnal	ordinary*	perceptible*	polyphony	procession
mind*	noisy*	organic*	peripheral	polish*	proclaim*
minimum*	nomination	original*	perform*	political*	procurable
minor*	nominative*	ornithological	perimeter	politician*	production
minute*	normal*	orphan*	permissible*	politics*	profession*
miracle*	nostalgia	ostentatious	permission	pollen*	proficient
miraculous	notice*	ostrich*	permit*	population*	profitable*
mischievous	noticeable*	ought*	perpendicular	porcelain	program*
miserable	novel*	ounce*	persistent	portion*	progression
missionary	November*	outrageous	personal*	portmanteau	projectile
mock*	noxious	oxygen	perspicacious	pose*	prominent*
mold*	nuclear*		petal*	possession*	pronounce*
Monday*	nuclei*	P	petroleum	possessive*	pronunciation*
monotonous	nucleus*	pace*	Pharaoh*	possibility*	propel*
moral*	numerous*	pail*	Pharisee*	postage*	propensity
morsel	nurse*	pageantry	pharmaceutics	potato*	prophecy*
mortality	nutrient*	pain*	pharmacy*	potential	prophet*
mosquito*		palisade	phase*	potpourri	prosperous
motive*	O	palsy*	phenomenon	poultry*	protein
motorist*	oath*	pamphlet*	photograph*	pour*	proud*

U/16 and OPEN SPELLING WORDS

psychologically	reason*	replica	sanitary*	shoot*	sow*
pulp*	recapitulation	reproduce*	sarcophagus	shore*	span*
pumice*	recent*	require*	Saturday*	shot*	special*
punctual*	reception	research*	sauce*	shoulder*	specific*
punctuation*	receptor*	reservoir*	scandalous	shove*	specimen*
punish*	recess*	reside*	scalp*	show*	speck*
punishment*	recession*	resist*	scarce	shrewd	spew*
purchase*	recharge*	resistible*	scavenger	shrub*	spherical
purge*	reciprocate	respectively	scene*	shy*	sphinx
purify*	recite*	response*	schedule*	siege	spinach*
purple*	recognition*	responsible*	scientific*	sieve	spinnaker
purpose*	recognize*	responsive	scientist*	sigh*	spiritual*
	recommendation	restaurant*	scorch	significance	spoil*
Q	reconnoiter	restrain*	scrap*	significant	sponge*
quadrennial	record*	resuscitate	scrawl	silent*	spontaneity
quaint	recover*	retina*	scribe*	silversmith*	spore*
qualification	recreation	reveal*	scrimmage	similar*	sprawl*
qualify*	recruit*	reverence*	scythe	simple*	sprout*
quality*	rectum*	reverse*	seamstress*	simply*	spy*
quantity*	redeem*	reversible*	secede*	simultaneous	squabble
quart*	reduce*	review*	secretary*	since*	squash*
quay	reduction*	rheumatism*	secure*	sincere*	squaw*
querulous	reed*	rhythm	seize*	sincerely*	squeamish
quest*	refer*	ridiculous	senate*	sincerity	squirm
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quickly*	reflex*	rigid*	sensible*	situation	staff*
quiet	reformation*	ringworm*	sensitive	size*	stake*
quintessence	refrigerator*	roam*	sentence*	slay*	stalactite
quip	refuge*	roast*	separate*	slender*	stalk*
quit*	refuse*	rodeo*	September*	sleuth	stationary
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raccoon*	reign*	rot*	serviette	smog*	stimuli*
radio*	rejection	rotate*	sewage*	sniff*	stimulus*
raid*	rejoice*	rotation*	shade*	sober*	stipendiary
raise*	rejuvenate	rough*	shaft*	social*	stitch*
raisin	relationship*	route*	shame*	society*	storm*
rambunctious	reliable*	routine*	shape*	socket*	straight*
random	relic*	routinely	sharpen*	solar*	strength*
rapid*	relief*	rubicund	sheaf*	solecism	stretch*
rapacious	relieve	ruin*	sheath	solemn*	strict*
rarely*	religion*	rural*	sheep*	soliloquy	strife*
rash*	reluctance		sheet*	solve*	strip*
raucous	reminiscence	S	shelf*	sonorous	strong*
raw*	remit*	sacrilegious	shelter*	sophomore*	structure*
reaction	repair*	sagacious	shepherd*	sore*	stuck*
read*	repatriate	sail*	sheriff	sought*	studious
readily*	repel*	salary*	shield*	soul*	stun*
reagent	repertoire	salmon*	shin*	sour*	sturdy*
realm*	replace*	sandwich*	ship*	source*	style*
reap*	replaceable	sanguinary	shoe*	sovereignty	subject*

U/16 AND OPEN SPELLING WORDS

subjection
submerge
submissive
submit*
subpoena
subterfuge
suburb
succeed*
success*
suck*
suffer*
sufficient
suffragette
suggest*
suggestion*
suite
sum*
summon*
Sunday*
superb
supercilious
supplication
sure*
surgeon*
surgery*
surplus*
surround*
surveillance
suspender
suspension
sustain
swallow*
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swirl*
switch*
sword*
synonym

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tableau
tablet*
taciturn
tact*
talent*
tapeworm*
taproot*
tariff*
tarpaulin
teach*
tear*
teaspoon*
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tectonic

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temperature*
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tournament*
tourniquet
traceable*
traffic*
tragedy*

trait*
transaction
transfer*
transformation
transgressor
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transparent*
transportation
treat*
triglyceride
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trio*
triumph*
trouble*
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tumultuous
turmoil*
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twine*
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vegetable*
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ventriloquist
venture*
verb*
verdict
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veto*
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victorious*
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vindicate
virtue*
visible
vitamin
vivid*
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volubility
volume*
voluntary*
volunteer*
voucher*
voyage*

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xylem

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yearn*
yeast*
yeoman
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yield
yoke
you*
you're*
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zealous
zenith
zephyr
zinc*
zone*
zucchini



PACE BOWL

Teams consist of four students. Teams compete against each other in regular tournament elimination procedure. Competition order will be arranged prior to the beginning of the contest by random selection. The team earning the most points in each round of competition shall move to the next round. The defeated team will be eliminated.

Each school team **MUST** consist of four students proficient in Math (including Algebra I and II, Geometry, and Trigonometry), English and Literature (through PACE 1144), Science (through Physics), Social Studies (World Geography, Australian and World History, and Economics), and Electives. Each team will designate a spokesperson or captain.

IMPORTANT: For toss-up questions, each team member chooses two categories in which to answer questions. They may only answer questions in these categories. Everyone may answer elective questions. If an unqualified team member answers the question, then his/her team loses the toss-up and the points even if the answer was correct. Questions are taken from PACEs starting with level 73 and progressing to more difficult questions with each round. Questions may be visual (such as pictures, maps, etc.).

1. TOSS-UP PACE BOWL QUESTIONS

A toss-up question will be asked simultaneously of both teams. Either team may answer. The first qualified person to ring the bell must answer the question. There must be no conference with other team members. Such questions have a value of five (5) points. If the qualified team member responds incorrectly, his/her team loses five (5) points. The opposing team may not respond to questions missed by opponents. Contestants are allowed 15 seconds to answer. After that time a new toss-up question will be asked.

2. BONUS QUESTION

If the contestant responds to the “toss-up” question correctly, his/her team will be asked a “bonus” question. Values and time limits differ according to the difficulty of the question. On “bonus” questions, team members may confer with one another but a spokesperson must give the team answer. No points are deducted if the team responds incorrectly.

A round of questioning consists of one “toss-up” question and the possible bonus question. The game will continue for ten (10) rounds. If the game is tied after the completion of ten (10) questions, two (2) extra questions will be asked. Tied scores after the two (2) extra questions will be divided on a count back of the number of correctly answered “toss-up” and “bonus” questions.

Southern Cross Educational Enterprises provides the following:

- tables and chairs for each team
- paper
- pencils
- buzzer system for each table

SCEE provides all PACE Bowl questions.

Any winning score allows the team to progress, but only a positive score allows the team to place.

A Judges Form is not required. SCEE will provide score sheets for each game.

The following is a sample of one round of questions:

“You are competing for a 5-point toss-up; here is your “toss-up” question: Who was the Mexican commander at the battle of the Alamo?”

(Ring) Bill Jones, the Social Studies representative on the Sunshine Christian School team, rings the bell and answers: “Santa Anna.”

“Correct. Mr. Jones, your team now has five (5) points. Here is your bonus question; you may confer, but only one team member may answer: For 10 points -- Name the 11 Confederate States.”

Team members confer and designate a spokesman who names the states.

SCIENCE EXHIBIT

Science projects may be done by one or two students. Sponsors or staff members should advise students to take great care to ensure that their exhibits are entered in the correct event. Entries submitted in the wrong event, however good in concept and standard, will not be placed.

The student may enter one exhibit in each event, however no more than 5 events are to be entered in the Academic section.

- Entry must be the sole work of the student(s) since their previous Regional Student Convention. Sponsors may advise, but must not build any part of the exhibit, **or write any part of the instructions or report**. A list shall be submitted identifying any work included in the display that is not the work of the student (such as a specially machined component or electronic test equipment).
- **Exhibits must occupy a total area no more than 1m in any direction (including vertical).**
- All electrical work using mains power (240v) must be certified by a qualified electrician and evidence of this certification submitted with the entry.
- No entry creating a safety hazard will be allowed. Dangerous chemicals, offensive odors, explosives, open flames and live animals or reptiles, dangerous or not, must **not** be exhibited.
- The student will set up their own exhibit and then leave the area. If the exhibit requires operation, instructions must be provided to the judges.
- Electronic Devices (e.g. laptops) used in exhibits **MUST NOT** be password protected - they must be accessible to judges as needed.
- All Exhibits must be consistent with a Biblical worldview and must adhere to Convention Dress Code (see the Introduction to Guidelines on page IN.16).
- Judges may interview the student if they desire.
- SCEE is not responsible for loss or damage to any exhibit.
- Do not copy blocks of text from any website or other source.
- The Student must write all reports/information in their own words and must credit any resources.
- Multiple sources should be used to prove adequate research has been done. *Please note: Wikipedia is an unreliable research resource.*

CHECKLIST FOR SCIENCE

- ☐ Attach three (3) copies of the Science Exhibit Judges Forms, and one (1) copy of the Science Report and any other supporting information to each entry.
- ☐ Bring the exhibit and all forms to Convention.

CATEGORIES

1. COLLECTION - (U/16 & Open)

This exhibit will comprise the classification and display of a collection. Examples: rocks, insects, leaves etc and may be collected by hand or purchased. Man-made objects such as coins, stamps, etc., are not allowed. Collections should be scientifically classified and any relationship between items should be clearly stated. All work must have commenced after the completion of the previous Student Convention in their region.

The scientific value of the exhibit will be judged by the accuracy of the classification.

In both the display and report items must be clearly grouped into types, or families, or being at a specific stage of development. A bibliography of any reference used must be included.

2. RESEARCH - (Open)

For this exhibit the student must develop and define an hypothesis, perform an experiment, record results, write a conclusion and prepare a display to exhibit at Student Convention. Example: How light helps a plant grow.

A description of the method used to effect the test including all descriptions, photographs or samples of the apparatus used in the experiment must be presented.

This is the application of “the scientific method” which entails explanations using hypotheses that give a plausible structure to quantitative observation of qualities, effects, interactions and changes. Each statement, causal relationship or conclusion must be backed up by evidence. A bibliography of any references used must be included.

The test results must be fully documented and a clear conclusion stated.

3. ENGINEERING - (Open)

This exhibit will be in the form of a student built piece of functional equipment.

The function may be mechanical, electrical or electronic and must actually work or be seen to be capable of working. Examples: electronic equipment, optical devices, solar energy converter, etc.

The equipment must function in accordance with a scientific principle, and that principle must be fully documented with calculations, graphs and diagrams as appropriate. The exhibit should also include plans, diagrams, schematics, parts lists, etc., so that another person could take the plans and duplicate the project. DO NOT USE COMMERCIAL KITS.

Working models of functional equipment will be allowed, but the value of the exhibit will be judged on the quality of the description of the scientific principle involved not on the skills of the model maker. A bibliography of any reference used must be included.

4. THEORETICAL - (Open)

This will be an exhibit displaying a discussion of a scientific principle, concept, technique, or theory using charts, graphs, diagrams, photographs, audio-visual, or other visual aids.

The discussion will show definable conclusions which will be seen to be scientifically proven. A bibliography of any reference used must be included.

SCIENCE REPORT

☐ OPEN ☐ U/16 - Collection only
(Please ✓ the appropriate box)

☐ Collection ☐ Engineering ☐ Research ☐ Theoretical

Name:			
Name:			
School:		Cust. Code:	

State your purpose, hypothesis, or reason for your project:

Record the process or steps used in solving or approving the problem (hypothesis) or include an illustration of how your project works:

What has been proved or illustrated, or what is the conclusion drawn from your project:

Form continued on next page



SCIENCE REPORT - Continued

Give a Scriptural application or reference for your project:

[illegible]

(Student's Signature)	(Date)	(Student's Signature)	(Date)

*** Note: A written paper may be submitted as a substitute for this science report. The paper should at least cover the above information.**

JUDGES FORM - SCIENCE EXHIBIT

☐ OPEN ☐ U/16 - Collection only
 (Please ✓ the appropriate box)

☐ Collection ☐ Engineering ☐ Research ☐ Theoretical

Name:		D.O.B.	
Name:		D.O.B.	
School:		Cust Code:	

(JUDGES! Please remember that items MUST be consistent with a Biblical Worldview)

AREAS OF EVALUATION	POINTS	
	POSSIBLE	AWARDED
I. Choice of Subject		
A. There is a definite scientific purpose or theme	10	
B. Shows creativity and originality	10	
II. Scientific Thought		
A. Scientific facts or principles are displayed accurately	15	
B. Exhibit clearly agrees with and illustrates what is discussed in the accompanying paper/science report	10	
C. Degree of difficulty	10	
III. Workmanship		
A. Neatness, general appearance	5	
B. Shows evidence that materials have been used appropriately	5	
C. Shows evidence that tools/construction have been used appropriately	5	
D. Design and layout is creative and logical	10	
IV. Thoroughness		
A. Information is useful and conclusive	5	
B. Bibliography and references correctly included	10	
V. Clarity		
A. Exhibit is clearly and easily understood	5	
TOTAL POINTS	100	
COMMENT:		
Judge's Name:	Judge's Signature:	



SOCIAL STUDIES EXHIBIT

Social Studies projects may be done by one or two students.

Students should take great care to ensure that their exhibits are entered in the correct event. Entries submitted in the wrong event, however good in concept and standard, will not be placed.

The student(s) may enter one exhibit in each event, however, no more than 5 events are to be entered in the Academic section.

- Entry must be the sole work of the student(s) since their previous Regional Student Convention. Sponsors may advise, but must not build, **write** or prepare any part of the exhibit. A list is to be submitted identifying any work included in the display that is not the work of the student.
- All Exhibits must be consistent with a Biblical worldview and must adhere to Convention Dress Code (see the Introduction to Guidelines on page IN.16).
- **Exhibits must occupy a total area no more than 1m in any direction (including vertical).**
- The student will set up their own exhibit and then leave the area.
- Electronic Devices (e.g. laptops) used in exhibits **MUST NOT** be password protected - they must be accessible to judges as needed.
- Judges may interview the student if they desire.
- SCEE is not responsible for loss or damage to any exhibit.
- Do not copy blocks of text from any website or other source.
- The Student must write all reports/information in their own words and must credit any resources.
- Multiple sources should be used to prove adequate research has been done. *Please note that Wikipedia is an unreliable research resource.*

CATEGORIES

1. COLLECTION - (U/16 & Open)

This exhibit will comprise of the classification and display of a collection of objects. Examples: aboriginal artifacts, medals, coins, stamps, and flags*, etc. This should be more than a raw collection of stamps, etc. It needs to be a project and have some relation to Social Studies (i.e. why certain commemorative stamps were issued, the history of postage stamps in that country, etc) All work must have commenced after the completion of the previous Student Convention in their region. A Bibliography of any references including credits for photos and images must be included.

**Please note: pictures of flags are not acceptable*

2. RESEARCH - (Open only)

For this exhibit the student must choose a topic that is directed to the development of a thesis or the answering of a question. Topics may be from local, regional, national, or world history, economics, geography, or political science. Do the necessary research, write your conclusion and prepare a display to exhibit your work. (eg. My Family Tree, Immigration: An Oral History, Economic Impact of the Drought, Australians in WWI). A Bibliography of any references including credits for photos and images must be included.

CHECKLIST FOR SOCIAL STUDIES

- ☐ Attach three (3) copies of the Social Studies Exhibit Judges Forms and one (1) copy of the Social Studies Report and any other supporting information to each entry.
- ☐ Bring the exhibit and all forms to convention.

SOCIAL STUDIES REPORT

☐ OPEN

☐ U/16 - Collection only

(Please ✓ the appropriate box)

☐ Collection

☐ Research

Name:			
Name:			
School:		Cust. Code:	

State the purpose, or reason for your project:

Record the process or steps used in preparing your project:

What has been illustrated, or what is the conclusion drawn from your project:

SOCIAL STUDIES REPORT - Continued

Give a Scriptural application or reference for your project:

[illegible]

(Student's Signature)	(Date)	(Student's Signature)	(Date)

*** Note: A written paper may be submitted as a substitute for this Social Studies report.
The paper should at least cover the above information.**

JUDGES FORM - SOCIAL STUDIES EXHIBIT

☐ Collection

☐ Research

☐ OPEN

☐ U/16 - Collection only

(Please ✓ the appropriate box)

Name:		D.O.B.	
Name:		D.O.B.	
School:		Cust Code:	

(JUDGES! Please remember that items MUST be consistent with a Biblical Worldview)

AREAS OF EVALUATION	POINTS	
	POSSIBLE	AWARDED
I. Originality		
A. Definite Social Studies purpose or theme	10	
B. Shows creativity and originality	10	
II. Thought		
A. Facts or principles are displayed accurately	15	
B. Exhibit clearly agrees with and illustrates what is discussed in the accompanying paper/report	10	
C. Degree of difficulty	10	
III. Workmanship		
A. Neatness, general appearance	5	
B. Shows evidence that materials have been used appropriately	5	
C. Shows evidence that tools/construction have been used appropriately	5	
D. Design and layout is creative and logical	10	
IV. Thoroughness		
B. Information is useful and conclusive	5	
C. Bibliography and references correctly included	10	
V. Clarity		
A. Exhibit is clearly and easily understood	5	
TOTAL POINTS	100	
COMMENT:		
Judge's Name:	Judge's Signature:	



PERSUASIVE ESSAY WRITING

This event requires Early Entry Submission - see IN.12.

This event is open only.

All entries should be consistent with the truth of Scripture. There should NEVER be swearing, euphemisms for swearing, sexual innuendos or questionable language in any entry (Eph. 4:28).

A contestant must choose a topic and write a **persuasive** paper. **A persuasive essay is one in which the writer attempts to convince the reader of a particular point of view or course of action, using clear facts and reasons to support his/her argument.**

Students may choose any topic on which to write a persuasive essay. All topics must have a thesis statement, counterargument and conclusion, and must be consistent with a Biblical Worldview. It is strongly advised that the supervisor check the thesis statement prior to the student writing the essay.

1. A good persuasive essay will use convincing facts, arguments, examples, and illustrations that allow the reader to be persuaded of the truth they are reading, and must be the student's original work.
2. The student may begin immediately following the previous Convention Registration Closing Date in their region.
3. The essay must be accompanied by a written outline that the student used to organize the essay. (For suggested outline format, please reference English PACE 1097.)
4. Plagiarism of any kind will automatically disqualify the entry. Any borrowed material (statements, quotes and/or ideas) must be properly referenced and included in a bibliography.
5. No more than one essay per contestant may be entered.

SEE THE PERSUASIVE ESSAY WRITING JUDGES FORM FOR JUDGING CRITERIA.

CHECKLIST FOR PERSUASIVE ESSAY WRITING:

- ☐ Length 500-1000 words including all quotes as per computer word count. Footnotes and bibliography are excluded from word counts.
- ☐ Format - Double-spaced on plain white paper; 25mm margin on all sides using 10 to 12 point type. Plain fonts are recommended.
- ☐ Outline - Submit essay outline (typed) with entry.
- ☐ Copies - Three* (3) copies of the essay and outline must be submitted by the Convention Registration Closing Date.
- ☐ Three* (3) JUDGES FORMS are required. Attach one copy to the front of each copy of your essay.

JUDGES FORM - PERSUASIVE ESSAY WRITING

Word Count: _____

Name:		D.O.B.:	
School:		Cust Code:	
Title of Entry:			

(JUDGES! Please remember that entries MUST be consistent with a Biblical Worldview)

AREAS OF EVALUATION		POINTS	
		POSSIBLE	AWARDED
I. Theme			
A.	The chosen essay topic is clearly identified and is examined and discussed logically.	10	
II. Composition			
A.	Essential points given logically and convincingly	10	
B.	Use of examples and illustrations	10	
C.	One central idea and unity in viewpoint- everything in the essay directly supports the thesis	10	
D.	Valid argument and persuasion with strong closing statement.	10	
E.	Creativity and individuality of presentation	5	
F.	Outline included, properly followed and formatted	5	
G.	Bibliography and references correctly included	10	
H.	Degree of difficulty	10	
III. Mechanics			
A.	Spelling, punctuation, and grammar (subject-verb agreement, pronoun agreement, no misplaced modifiers, etc.)	10	
B.	Progression of ideas, and argument, transitions, length of paragraphs	10	
IV. Presentation	(NOTE: As many as 10 points may be subtracted if the essay is not between 500-1000 words in length, word count is not stated, and/or is not typed double spaced on plain white paper.)	-10	
TOTAL POINTS		100	
COMMENT:			
Judge's Name:		Judge's Signature:	



POETRY WRITING

This event requires Early Entry Submission - see IN.12.

All entries should be consistent with the truth of Scripture. There should NEVER be swearing, euphemisms for swearing, sexual innuendos or questionable language in any entry (Eph. 4:28).

The contestant must compose an original poetry composition with a Christian, patriotic, Biblical, evangelistic, or historical theme. The contestant should keep in mind the purpose for the poem; why it is being written and what effect is being achieved.

1. The poem ought to follow a recognised poetic form; e.g., narrative, ballad, sonnet etc.
2. The poem must be the sole work of the student since the previous Student Convention in their region.
3. Plagiarism of any kind will automatically disqualify the contestant.
4. One poem per contestant.
5. The Student must WRITE the poem. Poems MUST NOT be copied from the INTERNET or anywhere else.

SEE THE POETRY WRITING JUDGES FORM FOR JUDGING CRITERIA

CHECKLIST FOR POETRY WRITING:

- ☐ Format - At least eight (8) lines and no more than thirty-two (32) lines, using a computer. (If the poem exceeds 32 lines, the student must explain why this was necessary, and it must be evident in the structure of the poem.)
- ☐ Format - Double-spaced on plain white paper; 25mm margin on all sides using 10 to 12 point type. Plain fonts are recommended.
- ☐ Copies - Three* (3) copies of the poem must be submitted by the Convention Registration Closing Date.
- ☐ Three* (3) JUDGES FORMS are required. Attach one to the front of each copy of your poem.

**If event is being submitted digitally, only one copy of each is required.*

JUDGES FORM - POETRY WRITING

☐ OPEN ☐ U/16
 (Please ✓ the appropriate box)

Name:		D.O.B.	
School:		Cust Code:	
Title of Entry:			

(JUDGES! Please remember that entries MUST be consistent with a Biblical Worldview)

AREAS OF EVALUATION		POINTS	
		POSSIBLE	AWARDED
I. Theme			
A. Poem has one central idea, unity in viewpoint		10	
II. Use of Poetic Material			
A. Shows feeling, sincerity, conveys emotion		10	
B. Original, fresh use of words; avoids triteness		10	
C. Meter, rhythm and rhyme are used effectively		15	
D. Uses poetic devices such as imagery, figures of speech, symbolism, parallelism		15	
E. Creativity and individuality of expression		10	
F. Degree of Difficulty		10	
III. Mechanics			
A. Format, general appearance		5	
B. Spelling, punctuation, and grammar (subject-verb agreement, etc.) Unusual grammar is acceptable if it is clearly used as an effective poetic device.		15	
IV. Presentation	(NOTE: As many as 10 points may be subtracted if the poem is not between 8-32 lines inclusive and is not typed on plain white paper.)	-10	
TOTAL POINTS		100	
COMMENT:			
Judge's Name:	Judge's Signature:		

SHORT STORY WRITING

This event requires Early Entry Submission - see IN.12.

All entries should be consistent with the truth of Scripture. There should NEVER be swearing, euphemisms for swearing, sexual innuendos or questionable language in any entry (Eph. 4:28).

The contestant writes and submits a fictional composition. The story may be based on real experience; it may be purely imaginary; it may be a fictionalised report of an historical happening.

1. The story **MUST** have an evangelistic, Biblical, or historical theme.
2. The story must be the sole work of the student since the previous Student Convention in their region.
3. Plagiarism of any kind will automatically disqualify the contestant.
4. One entry per contestant.
5. The Student must WRITE the Short Story. Short Stories MUST NOT be copied from the INTERNET or anywhere else.

SEE THE SHORT STORY WRITING JUDGES FORM FOR JUDGING CRITERIA

CHECKLIST FOR SHORT STORY WRITING:

- ☐ Length - 600 - 1500 words
- ☐ Format - Double-spaced on plain white paper; 25mm margin on all sides using 10 to 12 point type. Plain fonts are recommended.
- ☐ Copies - Three* (3) copies of the short story must be submitted by the Convention Registration Closing Date.
- ☐ Three* (3) JUDGES FORMS are required, attach one to the front of each copy of your short story.

**If event is being submitted digitally, only one copy of each is required.*

JUDGES FORM - SHORT STORY WRITING

☐ OPEN ☐ U/16
(Please ✓ the appropriate box)

Word Count: _____

Name:		D.O.B.	
School:		Cust Code:	
Title of Entry:			

(JUDGES! Please remember that entries MUST be consistent with a Biblical Worldview)

AREAS OF EVALUATION	POINTS	
	POSSIBLE	AWARDED
I. Theme		
A. Story has an evangelistic, Biblical or historical theme	10	
II. Composition		
A. There is at least one life-like character	5	
B. Details of setting (place, time) are woven into the action of the story	10	
C. There is a well-planned and well-developed plot.	15	
D. There is a main conflict	10	
E. All incidents build to a climax that resolves the conflict	10	
F. Story indicates creativity on the part of the author	10	
G. Degree of Difficulty	10	
III. Mechanics		
A. Neatness, general appearance	5	
B. Spelling, punctuation, and grammar (subject-verb agreement, pronoun agreement, no misplaced modifiers, etc.)	15	
IV. Presentation (NOTE: As many as 10 points may be subtracted if the short story is not between 600-1500 words in length, word count is not stated, and/or is not typed double spaced on plain white paper.)	-10	
TOTAL POINTS	100	
COMMENT:		
Judge's Name:	Judges Signature:	



BOOK REPORT

This event requires Early Entry Submission - see IN.12.

All entries should be consistent with the truth of Scripture. There should NEVER be swearing, euphemisms for swearing, sexual innuendos or questionable language in any entry (Eph. 4:28).

A book report is a written composition discussing the contents of a book. The book may be fiction or non-fiction (including biographies and autobiographies).

A book report should include the following information:

- The title of the book
- The author of the book
- The time and location of the story
- The names and a brief description of the characters

The book report should have one of the following as the main focus:

1. A plot summary

This is not a simple retelling of the story. This is an explanation of your opinion of the plot of the story supported by examples from the book. Your plot summary must include the biblical principals learned from the reading of this book.

2. A character analysis

this is an exploration of the physical and personality traits of main characters and the way their actions affect the plot of the book.

3. A theme analysis

This is the exploration of a major theme of the book supported by examples from the story. A theme analysis clearly explains what a major theme of the book is and how it appears in the story.

CHECKLIST FOR BOOK REPORT:

- ☐ Length 600-1000 words for U16 and 1000 - 1500 for Open, including all quotes as per computer word count. Footnotes and bibliography are excluded from word counts.
- ☐ Format - Double-spaced on plain white paper; 25mm margin on all sides using 10 to 12 point type. Plain fonts are recommended.
- ☐ Copies - Three* (3) copies of the Book Report must be submitted by the Convention Registration Closing Date.
- ☐ Three* (3) JUDGES FORMS are required. Attach one copy to the front of each copy of your Book Report.

**If event is being submitted digitally, only one copy of each is required.*

JUDGES FORM - BOOK REPORT

☐ OPEN ☐ U/16
(Please ✓ the appropriate box)

Word Count: _____

Name:			D.O.B.	
School:			Cust Code:	
Title of Book:		Author:		

(JUDGES! Please remember that entries MUST be consistent with a Biblical Worldview)

AREAS OF EVALUATION		POINTS	
		POSSIBLE	AWARDED
I. Theme			
A.	The Book Report has a main focus, eg. plot summary, character, or theme analysis	10	
II. Composition			
A.	Essential points given logically and convincingly	10	
B.	Use of examples	10	
C.	Introduction includes time and location of the story and brief description of the characters	10	
D.	Information is organized in a logical manner	10	
E.	Creativity and individuality of report	10	
F.	Clear explanation of biblical principle learned	10	
G.	Degree of difficulty	10	
III. Mechanics			
A.	Spelling, punctuation, and grammar (subject-verb agreement, pronoun agreement, no misplaced modifiers, etc.)	10	
B.	Progression of ideas, and argument, transitions, length of paragraphs	10	
IV. Presentation	(NOTE: As many as 10 points may be subtracted if the Book Report is not between 600-1000 (U16) or 1000-1500 (OPEN) words in length, word count is not stated, and/or is not typed double spaced on plain white paper.)	-10	
TOTAL POINTS		100	
COMMENT:			
Judge's Name:		Judge's Signature:	

