

## Amazing Reading Challenge In-School Competition Guidelines

### Teams

A team will consist of four-six students. In each round, one team member will perform the role of Recorder/Messenger.

- The Team Captain will be the spokesperson for the team.
- The recorder writes the team's answer on the white board/paper and holds it up/gives it to the judge when done.

### Set up

The six team members will each sit in chairs grouped in a circle and the Recorder will be given a white board and marker (or pencil and paper). The Recorder/Messenger should sit for easy access to the judge's table.

Judges should be sitting in the front of the teams with a table for the messengers to place their white board/paper answers on designated spots.

### Questions

There will be one round of 12 questions in all challenges except the District Final. The District Final challenge will consist of three rounds of ten questions. Extra questions will be asked in the event of a tie. Questions will be shown and read from the provided PowerPoint and teams will have 30 seconds to write down an answer to each question on the white board or paper. Correct spelling is not essential, but the words/letters must be identifiable. At the end of the 30 seconds, the answer must be in the messengers' hands to deliver to the judges' table; answers do not need to be delivered within the 30 seconds for safety.

### Points/Scoring

Each correct answer earns a team five points; an incorrect answer earns zero points. Scoring for each round can be announced at the end of the round, and final scoring at the end of the competition. The team with the highest total points becomes the In-School Challenge winner and proceeds on to the Intra-District/Semi-Final Challenge. Depending on the number of teams at your school, multiple in-school challenges will be needed before determining the team that will represent our school in the intra-district competition.

**Please read the following rules to your students before you start the challenge.**

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- **There** will be one round of 12 questions.
- **Questions** will be read ONCE and repeated ONCE only.
- **Teams** will have 30 seconds to write down their answer. Your team captain or recorder will be responsible for the writing of the answer. Additional writing materials are available if you need them.
- **Answers** should be clearly written. Points will NOT be deducted for incorrect spelling; we just need to be able to read and understand your answer.
- **Questions** are true/false, multiple choice, fill-in-the-blank, and open-ended. You may write out the entire answer or just use a capital "T" for true/capital "F" for false, capital "a," "b," etc. for multiple choice. We just need your answer to be clear to us.
- **Team** recorder/messenger will place the whiteboard/answer sheet upside down on your team's spot. Please walk as it does not matter who reaches the table first. Once the answer is written, it cannot be changed.
- **Remember** to discuss questions quietly so as not to give the other teams an answer to a question they may not know. Also remember that if you hear an answer from another team it may not necessarily be the correct one!
- **Listen** very carefully to the questions. As you know, true/false questions can be very tricky. If you don't know the answer please make a guess. With multiple choice questions you have a good chance of picking the right answer. Even open-ended questions can often be guessed correctly. Always make a guess.
- **Team** members may not visit with the audience during breaks.
- **You** may challenge a question if you sincerely believe that your answer is also correct. It doesn't happen often as we try to write the questions carefully, but it is an option available to you. No challenges to questions may be made after the next question is read.
- **Challenges** will be accepted from team captains only. If you think you have a valid challenge let your captain know immediately.
- **Team** captains may ask the person reading the questions to clarify a question. However, the librarian will not reread a question after the second reading.
- **If two** or more teams tie for total points after the third round, additional questions will be asked of only those teams. Questions will continue to be asked until there is a winner.
- **5 points** for a correct answer, zero for incorrect. Again, we will give you the total of each round only, and your challenge total at the end.
- **The judges** get to have the final say... audience may not challenge any answer or decision.
- **Last**, but not least, no bathroom breaks. Let's have fun!!