



# National English Championship

**Guidelines - School Round**

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# About LEAD Championships

**LEAD Championships** is a collection of national competitions that provide students a platform to showcase their skills while competing with students from across the country.

In addition to the competitions, the platform also provides a rich learning experience to the participants via a series of **masterclasses and workshops** taken by renowned experts.

LEAD Championships 2020 brings to you the **National English Championship** and the **National Science Championship** which will be held 100% **online** in four stages between **16th Nov to 24th Dec**. It is open to all students from Class 3 to Class 8 studying in LEAD partner schools.



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# Championship categories

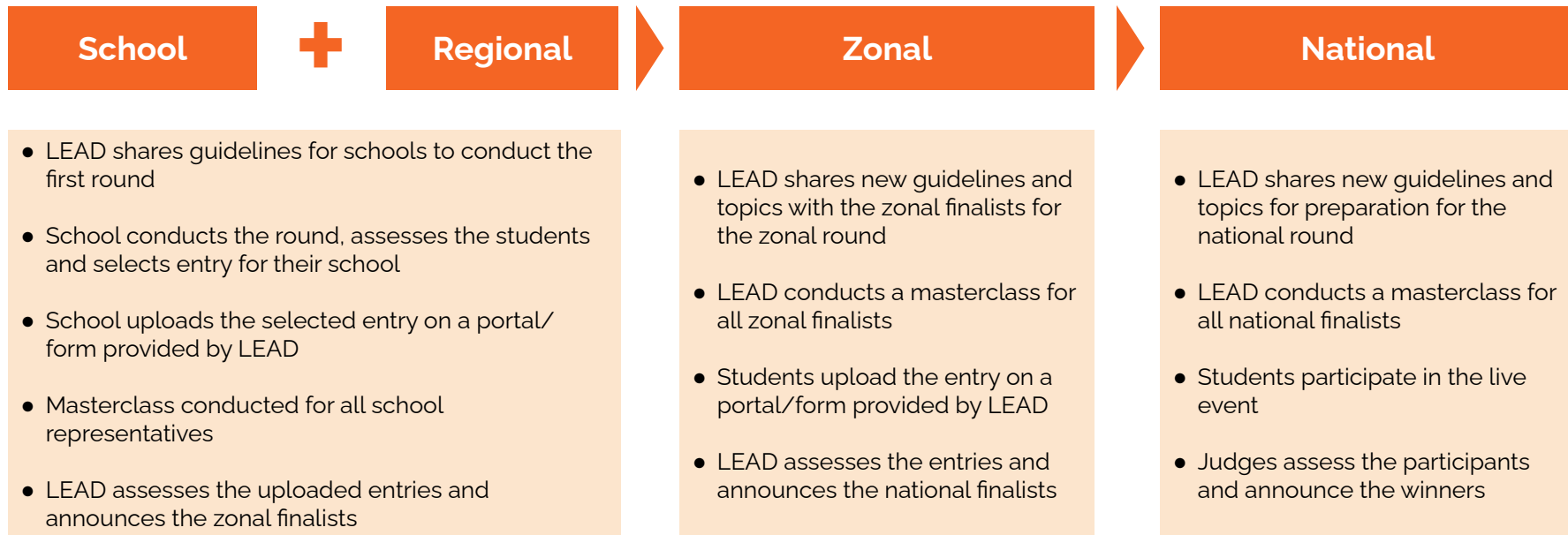
Championship	Category	Skill tested	Group	Type
<b>National English Championship</b>	Story telling	Speaking	Junior (Class 3-5)	Individual
	Elocution	Speaking	Senior (Class 6-8)	Individual
	Voca Bee	Reading & listening comprehension	Junior+Senior	Team of 3

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# Student Journey (Individual events)

Story Telling, Elocution



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# Student Journey (Team events)

## Voca Bee

### School

- LEAD shares the guidelines with the school
- Students attempt the quiz on a portal shared by LEAD
- Schools shortlist their team and upload the representatives on a portal/ form provided by LEAD
- Masterclass conducted for all school representatives

### Regional

- LEAD shares guidelines for the regional round with school representatives
- All school representatives attempt another round of quiz on a portal shared by LEAD
- LEAD assesses team and announces zonal finalists

### Zonal

- LEAD shares guidelines for the zonal round with zonal finalists
- LEAD conducts a masterclass
- Zonal finalists take an online quiz on a portal shared by LEAD
- LEAD assesses team and announces national finalists

### National

- LEAD shares new guidelines for live event
  - LEAD conducts a master class
  - Team participates in the live event
  - Winners declared based on scores in the event
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# Timelines for School Round

<b>School Round</b>	Sharing of guidelines with schools	9-11 Nov
	Submission of entries by students*	16-27 Nov
	Selection of winners done by schools	23-29 Nov
	Uploading winning entries and sharing winner details with LEAD	29 Nov-1 Dec
	Masterclass for all school representatives	1-5 Dec

\* Please maintain a list of participants in this school round. We will ask for it as we proceed to the next round.

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# Rules of the LEAD Championships

1. Students can participate in more than one category but they can not represent schools in multiple categories.
  2. Entries submitted in the incorrect format will be disqualified.
  3. Entries will not be allowed once the deadline has passed.
  4. For students selected in Regionals, the decision of LEAD School will be final and will not be subjected to any change.
  5. Teachers and Parents shall not give any hints or clues to the students. It is important that only students are completing the entries.
  6. Replacement of any participant of a student is not allowed after the shortlist is uploaded.
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# Competition categories and format

## Story Telling:

- Individual, timed
- Participants will be given prompts, using which they will tell an original story. This story which could be inspired by a real event but needs to have student's original thought to build on it.
- Video entry

## Elocution:

- Individual, timed
- Participants will be given general/current topic, after which they will be expected to speak about that topic for a specified time.
- Video entry

## Voca Bee:

- Team, timed
  - Participants will be given general/current topics to prepare which are grade appropriate
  - Students will take an online MCQ quiz
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# Individual Category

## Story Telling

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# Preparation needed by School

Category	# of teachers for co-ordination with students for submission of entries	# of teachers as judges for Story Telling (English Teachers)	Format of entry	Infrastructure needed by Students	Infrastructure needed by Teachers
Story Telling	2	2	Video	Mobile/Laptop with camera Internet	Mobile/Laptop Internet

- **Participants: Class 3 to 5**
  - Explain category to the students:
    - Using prompts tell an original story
    - They will have 3 minutes to tell the story.
  - Pick a date by when you want students to share the video. Give them at least 2-3 days to prepare.
  - **Ask students to say their full name, school, class with section at the start of the video.**
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# Prompts for Story Telling

Students can choose **ONE** of the following prompts:

1. You are walking through the forest when one of the trees starts talking to you. What does it say? What do you do?
  2. Share a story about what you might do if you have the superpower to become invisible.
  3. Imagine what it would be like if there was no electricity. What would be different in your daily routine?
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# Where will students submit the entry

Based on what is easy for the judges and students, videos can be uploaded at:

Whatsapp	Email
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Parents can share the video with teacher via whatsapp.</li><li>● Parents should share the video by the deadline.</li><li>● Videos after the deadline should not be accepted.</li><li>● Students should say their full name, school, class with section at the start of the video.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Parents can share the video with teacher via email.</li><li>● Parents should share the video by the deadline.</li><li>● Videos after the deadline should not be accepted.</li><li>● Students should say their full name, school, class with section at the start of the video.</li></ul>

**Please note: We are suggesting these. They are not mandatory. If there is any other way that works for your school, please follow that method.**

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# How to shortlist entries

Please choose 1 winner from all the entries. Use the rubric below to assess:

Parameters	1 mark	2 marks	3 marks	4 marks	5 marks
Connection to prompt given	Story was not connected with the prompt.	Story was very loosely connected with the prompt.	Story was mostly connected with the given prompt. There were some deviations.	Story was mostly connected with the given prompt. There were some minor deviations.	Story was connected with the given prompt without deviations..
Details	Some details but no flow to the story. Audience left confused.	The story was very short. More like a statement than a story. Audience confused and not sure the point.	Enough details to follow the story but audience did not feel involved or know the characters.	Enough details to follow the story and get involved. Some parts of the story had sufficient details to paint the picture in audience's mind.	Story was easy to follow and get involved. Details painted the picture in audience's mind.

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# How to shortlist entries Contd.

Please choose 1 winner from all the entries. Use the rubric below to assess:

Parameters	1 mark	2 marks	3 marks	4 marks	5 marks
Pronunciation & Volume	Many words were mispronounced, mumbled or spoken loudly thus negatively affecting the story.	Several words mispronounced, mumbled or spoken loudly thus negatively affecting the meaning of the story.	Some words were mispronounced slurred or mumbled or spoken loudly but meaning was not lost.	Words were mostly pronounced correctly with steady volume, and well understood with good diction. 2-3 mispronunciations.	Words were pronounced correctly with steady volume, and articulated with excellent diction.
Pace	Pace is too fast or too slow. Finished in less than a minute or took more than 3 minutes.	Pace almost works, Still needs work: slightly too fast or too slow. Finished story in a minute or took more than 3 minutes.	Most pace is good, some sections a little too fast or a little too slow. Finished in around 2 minutes or took more than 3 minutes.	Nearly perfect pace, and rate through almost all of performance- a few areas need practice. Finished in almost 3 minutes.	Perfect rate, Perfect pace throughout the entire performance. Finished in exact 3 minutes.

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# Where to upload the winning entry?

Please choose **ONE** winner from all the entries. The winner will move to the next round.

**LEAD School will share a link to upload the entry.** The form will have the following fields:

1. Details of School and details of winner
2. Information on total participants in the school
3. Option to either share the:
  - YouTube link of the winner video
  - Upload video

**Choice will be schools based on ease of use.**

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# Individual Category

## Elocution

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# Preparation needed by School

Category	# of teachers for co-ordination with students for submission of entries	# of teachers as judges for Elocution(English Teachers)	Format of entry	Infrastructure needed by Students	Infrastructure needed by Teachers
Elocution	2	2	Video	Mobile/Laptop with camera Internet	Mobile/Laptop Internet

- **Participants: Class 6 to 8**
  - Explain category to the students:
    - General or current affairs topics will be given
    - They will have 2 minutes to speak on the topic.
  - Pick a date by when you want students to share the video. Give them at least 2-3 days to prepare.
  - **Ask students to say their full name, school, class with section at the start of the video.**
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# Topics for Elocution

Students can choose **ONE** of the following topics:

- Do video games promote violence?
  - What is better: Paper books or E-Books? And why?
  - Will banning plastic bags help?
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# How to shortlist entries

Please choose 1 winner from all the entries. Use the rubric below to assess:

Parameters	1 mark	2 marks	3 marks	4 marks	5 marks
Connection to the given topic	Speech was not connected with the topic.	Speech was very loosely connected with the topic.	Speech was mostly connected with the topic. There were some deviations.	Speech was mostly connected with the topic. There were some minor deviations.	Speech was throughout connected with the topic.
Flow of details	Some details but no flow to the speech. The audience left confused.	Some details but hardly any flow to the speech. The audience left confused.	Enough details with some flow to the speech. Understood the speech with some difficulty.	Enough details to follow the speech and feel involved. Mostly understood the speech.	Enough details to paint the picture in audience mind. Easy to understand the speech.

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# How to shortlist entries Contd.

Please choose 1 winner from all the entries. Use the rubric below to assess:

Parameters	1 mark	2 marks	3 marks	4 marks	5 marks
Pronunciation & Volume	Many words were mispronounced, mumbled or spoken loudly thus negatively affecting the story.	Several words mispronounced, mumbled or spoken loudly thus negatively affecting the meaning of the story.	Some words were mispronounced slurred or mumbled or spoken loudly but meaning was not lost.	Words were mostly pronounced correctly with steady volume, and well understood with good diction. 2-3 mispronunciations.	Words were pronounced correctly with steady volume, and articulated with excellent diction.
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# How to shortlist entries Contd.

Please choose 1 winner from all the entries. Use the rubric below to assess:

Parameters	1 mark	2 marks	3 marks	4 marks	5 marks
Connection to life/current event	The speech did not include connection to life or any of the current events, pertaining to the topic.	The speech was very loosely connected to life or any of the current events, pertaining to the topic.	The speech was mostly connected to life or any of the current events, pertaining to the topic. There were some deviations.	Speech was mostly connected to life or any of the current events, pertaining to the topic. There were some minor deviations.	Speech was connected to life or any of the current events, pertaining to the topic.

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# Where to upload the winning entry?

Please choose **ONE** winner from all the entries. The winner will move to the next round.

**LEAD School will share a link to upload the entry.** The form will have the following fields:

1. Details of School and details of winner
2. Option to either share the:
  - YouTube link of the winner video
  - Upload mp4 video of the winner

**Choice will be schools based on ease of use.**

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# Team Category

## Voca Bee

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# Preparation needed by School

Category	# of teachers for co-ordination with students for submission of quiz	# of teachers as judges	Format of entry	Infrastructure needed by Students	Infrastructure needed by Teachers
Voca Bee	3; 1 for each class group (Class 3-4, 5-6, 7-8)	3; 1 for each class group (Class 3-4, 5-6, 7-8)	Online quiz	Mobile/Laptop Internet	Mobile/Laptop Internet

- **Participants: Class 3 to 8**
  - Explain category to the students:
    - List of topics will be given
    - The students will take a quiz within specified time.
  - LEAD School will give a window to take the quiz. We will give 1 week to prepare.
  - Separate quizzes for Class 3-4, Class 5-6, and Class 7-8
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# Preparation needed by Students

The words can come from anywhere so no specific preparation needed. Make sure that you practise your reading skills and comprehension skills.

- Read the stories from your student reader or English book
- To find meaning of new words:
  - read the sentence with the new word
  - read the sentence before and after the sentence with the new word
  - guess the meaning of the word
  - check your answer in the dictionary



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# Where will students take the quiz

- LEAD School will share the link to a portal to take the quiz on 18th Nov
- The link will be available for limited number of days to take the quiz. After that link will be deactivated.
- Students will click on the link to take the quiz.
- The students will take a quiz within specified time.
- Schools will receive **score with time taken** to complete the quiz for each student.

## Special instructions:

- Students can not retake the quiz.
  - Students will need to finish the quiz in the single sitting.
  - Students should complete the quiz on their own without any help
  - LEAD School will share a championship code with the school which will be needed to access the quiz
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# How to shortlist the winning team

Please choose **ONE** winner from each class group, this means:

- 1 winner from Class 3-4
- 1 winner from Class 5-6 (or from class 3-4)
- 1 winner from Class 7-8 (or from class 3-6)

The 3 winners will be the team that will represent the school in the competition

## **Selection criteria for winners:**

- Highest score in each class group
- In case of a tie, the students who took less time will qualify as a winner

**This 3-member team will move to the next round. 1 team per school.**

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# Where to upload the details of the winning team?

Please choose **ONE** team as a winner. They will move to the next round.

**LEAD School will share a form to upload the entry.** The form will have the following fields:

1. Details of School
2. Information on total participants in the school
3. Details of team representing the school



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# Thank you

*For any queries, please reach out to your  
LEAD representative*