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Oxford German Olympiad 2020: The White Rose Project Writing Competition Guidelines

The closing date for submissions is 12 noon, Friday, 24 April 2020

„Was können wir heute noch von der Weißen Rose lernen?“

In 1943 five students and a professor at the University of Munich were arrested, interrogated, tried, and executed. They were members of The White Rose (Die Weiße Rose), a group that secretly wrote and distributed leaflets calling on the Germans to resist Hitler. You can find out more about the group [here](#) and on the [White Rose Project website](#).

Task:

Find out about the White Rose resistance group (die Weiße Rose) and write an essay in German (max. 350 words):

„Was können wir heute noch von der Weißen Rose lernen?“

There will be one prize. The competition is open to **pupils in years 12 and 13 (or equivalent) at school in the UK or Ireland.**

The judges will take account of linguistic accuracy, stylistic sophistication and – where appropriate – factual accuracy of the submission. The decision of the judges will be final and no correspondence will be entered into.

Prize:

The winner will be awarded a cash (bank transfer) prize of £100 and invited to a prize-giving ceremony at the Bodleian Library, University of Oxford, in June 2020. The winning essay will also be featured on the [White Rose Project website](#).

Please note:

Entries must be submitted via the online form (LINK WILL BE PROVIDED SHORTLY).

1. Entries should be the work of the entrant alone. Any additional assistance given by teachers or others should be noted in the space provided in the submission form.
2. Entrants must be resident in the United Kingdom or Ireland.
3. Entrants must enter the competition individually. Entries from more than 1 person will not be considered.
4. Please note that we cannot accept postal or e-mail entries. Entries received after the deadline at 12 noon on Friday 24th April 2020 will not be considered.
5. Files must be named in the following way:

CompetitorSurnameCompetitorInitialOGO2020 (e.g. BloggsJOGO2020).

Note that correct file naming is the responsibility of the entrant.

6. Every submission must include a completed Olympiad Teacher Form (see last page of this document or https://www.mod-langs.ox.ac.uk/mml_apps/community/public/uploads/ogn-olympiad-2020-teacher-form.pdf). If no teacher form can be supplied, please send an email to

olympiad@mod-langs.ox.ac.uk with the subject line 'Olympiad Teacher Form' providing an explanation.

Any questions should be sent to the OGN Coordinator at olympiad@mod-langs.ox.ac.uk.

The White Rose Project

The [White Rose Project](#) is a research and outreach initiative at the University of Oxford telling the story of the White Rose (Weiße Rose) resistance group in the UK. It currently works in collaboration with the Munich-based [Weiße Rose Stiftung](#), whose mission is to uphold the resistance group's memory and 'to contribute to civic courage and individual responsibility and to promote democratic consciousness'.

PRIVACY POLICY

When you submit your entry, you will see a link to the privacy policy for outreach activity at the Faculty of Medieval and Modern Languages, University of Oxford. When you submit an entry to the competition you provide us with some personal data, which allows us to process your submission. Please tick the box on the submission page to confirm you have read the privacy policy and consent to your data being used in this way.

HEAT agreement

The Oxford German Olympiad is part of the University of Oxford's outreach activity, which means that it is part of a programme of activities the university undertakes with schools to increase knowledge about Higher Education and to widen access. As part of this outreach activity, we collect some personal data and record it in the Higher Education Access Tracker ('HEAT'). The University of Oxford uses the HEAT service and database (www.heat.ac.uk) to record information about its outreach activities and the students who take part in these activities. HEAT helps us identify which activities are most helpful in preparing students for higher education and progressing to employment. HEAT is, or may be, used by different parts of the University, including colleges, faculties, departments or administrative units, as well as by other entities associated with the University. When you submit your entry to the Olympiad you will see a link to the HEAT agreement, which gives full details of how your data may be stored and used. If you are comfortable with our recording your personal details in HEAT, please tick the appropriate box. This is entirely optional and whether or not you agree has no bearing on the outcome of the competition, nor on University admissions.



OLYMPIAD TEACHER FORM

Thank you for encouraging your pupils to take part in the Oxford German Olympiad. Each entrant (or, for groups, the nominated entrant) must upload a completed Olympiad Teacher Form.

For individual entries

Full name of student entering the prize:
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- The entrant has been learning German for years

For group entries (2+ entrants)

Full name of nominated entrant:
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- The entrants in the group have been learning German for..... toyears.

Teacher

Full name:
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Job title:
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School name:
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School address:
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Email address:
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Teacher's statement – please tick as appropriate:

- The assignment has been completed by the student(s) without any additional help from staff.
- The student(s) was/were given the following assistance by staff:

The information you have supplied will be held by the Faculty of Medieval and Modern Languages, University of Oxford for the purpose of administering the competition. It will be held securely and will not be passed on to any third parties. Your details will be deleted from our records once the competition and associated events have finished. You have the right to request it be deleted sooner by emailing us at olympiad@mod-langs.ox.ac.uk or writing to us at Oxford German Network, Faculty of Medieval and Modern Languages, 41 Wellington Square, Oxford, OX1 2JF. If you would like to be added to our mailing list, please email us at ogn@mod-langs.ox.ac.uk

Signature.....

Date.....