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Oxford German Olympiad 2020: Tasks and Guidelines NATUR UND TECHNIK

Note that the closing date for submissions is 12 noon, Friday, 13 March 2020

Entries should be submitted via the online form at https://www.mod-langs.ox.ac.uk/mml_apps/community/public/form?id=ogn-olympiad-2020-individual. Please note that we cannot accept postal or email entries. Entries received by post, by email or after the deadline will not be considered. Any queries or questions should be directed to the Olympiad Coordinator at olympiad@mod-langs.ox.ac.uk.

Don't forget that you can look at the information, literature and video clips on our Olympiad pages for ideas and inspiration! Just follow this link: www.ogn.ox.ac.uk/content/natur-und-technik.

Please read the following guidelines carefully before entering the competition:

1. Entries should be the work of the entrant(s) alone. Any additional assistance given by teachers or others should be noted in the space provided in the Olympiad Teacher Form.
2. All text included in the entries should be in **German** except where stated in the task instructions.
3. Entrants may enter individually or in groups of 2-4. Except where it is stated that a competition is open to larger groups or classes, entries from groups of more than 4 will not be considered.
4. Entrants must be resident in the United Kingdom. All entrants must indicate how long they have been learning German and/or if they are native speakers of German.
5. Entrants may only take part in one task within their age group as INDIVIDUAL entrants.
6. Where 2 or more entrants are entering as a GROUP, one nominated entrant should fill in the entry form (please use the form for group entries, https://www.mod-langs.ox.ac.uk/mml_apps/community/public/form?id=ogn-olympiad-2020-group) . In the relevant box, the nominated entrant should list the first name and surname of each other member of the group.

7. Unless specified otherwise, entries should be submitted in one of the following formats only:

- * Microsoft Word document
- * PDF
- * JPEG

Files must be named in the following way:

CompetitorSurnameCompetitorInitialOGO2020 (e.g. BloggsJOGO2020).

Note that correct file naming is the responsibility of the entrant and failure to use this format may impede efforts to trace the file in the submission system if it should go missing. The Olympiad Coordinator is not obliged to contact entrants to trace missing or misnamed submissions and this may mean that such files cannot be passed to the judges.

Film entries should be uploaded to www.youtube.com and a copy of the link submitted via the online form. The link must be entered in the relevant box AND uploaded as a Word or PDF document (the document should only contain the link). Original work in the form of a website link should also be submitted via the online form in the relevant box AND uploaded as a Word or PDF document. Note that many schools have their own YouTube channel which you may be able to use. YouTube also allows you to set up a private channel so that the only people who can see your video are those to whom you have sent a link. Please ensure that the link is enabled for the Olympiad judging team to view it. **Make sure you have discussed this with your parent(s)/guardian(s) and your teacher before you upload anything to the internet! You must also make sure that you do not upload any material that is subject to third-party copyright.**

8. The judges will take account of creativity, 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.

9. Every submission must include a completed **Olympiad Teacher Form** (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.

10. Entrants under the age of 13 (i.e. ages 9-12) must provide a **Consent Form** (https://www.mod-langs.ox.ac.uk/mml_apps/community/public/uploads/ogn-olympiad-2020-parent-guardian-form.pdf). The Consent Form can be found on the online submission page and on p.6 of these guidelines). It must be manually signed by parents/guardians of entrants under 13, and a copy (image or scan) uploaded alongside the entrant's competition entry. Digital (typed) signatures will not be accepted. Submissions by entrants under 13 without a Consent Form cannot be considered.

THE TASKS

Years 5 and 6 (ages 9-11)

1. Design a robot and label its parts, and write what it can do. (20-50 words, 1 side of A4).
2. Draw a picture of your home city, town or village from a *Vogelperspektive* – bird’s eye view. Label the things the bird is most interested in. (20-50 words, 1 side of A4).
3. You’re going to set up a community on Mars – draw your spaceship and the fifteen most important things to take, and label them. (20-50 words, 1 side of A4).

Years 7 to 9 (ages 11-14)

1. Create a poster explaining *Klimawandel*. (100-200 words, 1 side of A4).
2. Find out about Ötzi, the Tyrolean Iceman. What technical invention would he choose to take back to his community if he could time-travel? Draw Ötzi with a speech bubble explaining his choice, and illustrate and describe the invention. (100-200 words, 1 side of A4).
3. Create a blogpost on a topic of your choice, with 3-5 photos taken by yourself, for a German-language online conservation magazine. (100-200 words, 1 side of A4).

Years 10 and 11 (ages 14-16)

1. “Ein Tag ohne Technik” – Write a story or create a video or website on this theme. (story: 200-250 words; video: max. 4 minutes).
2. Paint or draw a landscape in the style of Caspar David Friedrich and write about the work of art that inspired it. (200-250 words)
3. “Machen wir unsere Erde unbewohnbar?” Write a dialogue between two people who disagree about the answer. (200-250 words).

Years 12 and 13 (ages 16-18)

1. “Klimawandel – was können Jugendliche tun?” Plan a conference for 16-18 year olds including the advertisement and programme with keynote lectures and topics for roundtable discussion. (300-400 words).
2. “Vorsprung durch Technik – Rückschritt für die Natur?” Write a blogpost or create a video with this title. (blogpost: max. 400 words; video: max. 4 minutes).
3. Record yourself giving a presentation on “Fahrerloser Verkehr – Utopie oder künftige Wirklichkeit?” or “Techno-Pop – Typisch deutsch?”. (max. 4 minutes)

Open Competition for Groups or Classes (4+ participants)

1. Create a film or PowerPoint presentation with the title: “Amazonas in Gefahr”. (video: max. 4 minutes; PPT: max. 6 slides).

2. Write and illustrate a short book for children about a migrating bird. (4-6 sides of A4).

3. "Ein Roboter in der Schule!". Create a video or song about a robot designed for helping with practical tasks in your school. (max. 4 minutes).

Discover German - Taster Competition (1-3 participants with no prior experience of studying German)

Years 7 to 9 (ages 11-14): Find 10 inventions from German-speaking countries and the German word for each invention. Film yourself saying the German and the English word for each of your 10 examples.

Years 10 and 11 (ages 14-16): Rewrite (in English) the Grimm Brothers' story of "The Frog Prince" (*Der Froschkönig*) with the title "The Robot Prince", setting it in a real modern German-speaking city and including 15 German compound nouns (like *Frosch+König*). (max. 1 side of A4).

Years 12 and 13 (ages 16-18): Write a blogpost on the topic "Will machine translation make human translators obsolete?" and support your argument with examples from German. (250-350 words).



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:

- 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:

Job title:

School name:

School address:

Email address:

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.....

UNDER 13 – CONSENT FORM

If you are under 13, please ask your parent or guardian to complete and sign the form below and upload it alongside your submission to the Oxford German Olympiad.

Student's name	
Date of birth	
School name	
Activity	Oxford German Network Olympiad 2020
Parent/Guardian's Name	
Parent/Guardian's telephone number	
Parent/Guardian's email address	
<p>The German Olympiad is administered by the Oxford German Network, as part of the Faculty of Medieval and Modern Languages at the University of Oxford. When you submit an entry to the Olympiad you will be asked to provide personal details: your name, date of birth, email address, and the name of your school. This data will be held by the Faculty of Medieval and Modern Languages in a secure environment and will not be passed on to external companies or individuals. We will hold the data until the competition has closed and the results announced. You have the right to ask us which data we hold about you at any time, and to ask for that data to be deleted from our system.</p> <p>I have read the above details. I understand them and I consent:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • that my child's data be held securely by the Faculty of Medieval and Modern Languages for the purpose of the Olympiad <input type="checkbox"/> • in the case where my child wins a prize in this competition, that the child's name and school name be published on the OGN website and related social media channels <input type="checkbox"/> • in the case where my child wins a prize in this competition, that photographs of the child be taken at the Prizegiving, to be stored securely by the OGN, and that these images be used on the OGN website and related social media channels <input type="checkbox"/> 	
Parent/guardian's signature	Date
Student's signature	Date

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. If you are under the age of 13, please discuss this with your parent or guardian.

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. If you are under the age of 13, please discuss this with your parent or guardian.