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Brainiacs English Olympiad Mechanics

The Brainiacs English Olympiad is a globally renowned competition aimed at promoting creativity, communication, and linguistic excellence among students from Grade 3 to Grade 12. The Olympiad is structured into two main stages: the

- Preliminary Round and the Global Round.
- Preliminary Round

Registration

Students can register for the Olympiad through the official Brainiacs Olympiad website or via authorized representatives in their respective countries.

Dates

The online qualifying exams for the Preliminary Round are scheduled for:

- Online I: - November 15, 2025 (Registration deadline: November 14, 2025)
- Online I Results: November 20, 2025
- Online II: - December 20, 2025 (Registration deadline: December 19, 2025)
- Online II Results: December 25, 2025

The two online rounds are identical in structure but feature different question sets. Students who did not qualify for the Global Round in the first online round, or who missed it, may participate in the second round.

Format

The exam consists of 50 questions divided into three levels of difficulty:

- Easy: 15 questions
- Normal: 20 questions
- Difficult: 15 questions

Time limit: 75 minutes. Questions are customized for each educational level and divided into the following categories:

- Category 1: Grades 3 and 4
- Category 2: Grades 5 and 6
- Category 3: Grades 7 and 8
- Category 4: Grades 9 and 10
- Category 5: Grade 11 and 12

Question Types: Multiple Choice, Multiple Response, Fill in the Blank, Reorder Sentences, Match Pairs, True/False, and Short Answer. These assess grammar, vocabulary, reading comprehension, and writing skills.

Scoring

- Easy Questions: +1 point
- Normal Questions: +2 points
- Difficult Questions: +3 points
- Incorrect or Unanswered: No penalty

Qualification

Participants scoring 40% or higher qualify for the Global Round. All participants receive a Certificate of Participation.

Recognition

- 40–49 : Honorable Mention Certificate
- 50–74 : Bronze Medal
- 75–89 : Silver Medal
- 90–100 : Gold Medal

Global Round

The Global Round is the final stage of the competition, where participants demonstrate their mastery of English communication and comprehension.

Registration

Students register through the Brainiacs Olympiad website or via authorized representatives in their countries.

Dates and Venue

The Global Round of the 2nd Brainiacs English Olympiad will be held at Xiamen University Malaysia from March 24 to 30, 2026.

- Standard Registration Deadline: February 1, 2026
- Late Registration Deadline: March 1, 2026

Exam Days

The Global Round contains both Theoretical and Practical parts on two consecutive examination days.

Day 1. Theoretical Part

This part evaluates grammar, vocabulary, reading comprehension, and writing.

Examples:

- Answering grammar and vocabulary questions
- Reading and interpreting texts
- Writing short paragraphs or responses
- Correcting language errors
- Re-ordering sentences for logical flow

Purpose:

To assess grammatical accuracy, vocabulary range, reading understanding, and clarity in written expression.

Day 1 Exam Format

- Easy: 10 multiple-choice questions
- Normal: 10 multiple-choice questions
- Difficult: 10 multiple-choice questions
- Open-ended: 5 short writing questions
- Total: 35 questions (30 MCQ + 5 open-ended)
- Duration: 120 minutes

Scoring

- Easy +1
- Normal +2
- Difficult +3
- Open-ended +8
- No negative marking

Day 2. Practical Part (Listening and Speaking)

This part measures how well participants understand spoken English and communicate verbally.

Examples:

- Listening to short dialogues or monologues and answering questions
- Completing gap-fill tasks based on audio recordings
- Describing a picture in detail with clear structure and vocabulary
- Engaging in a guided conversation with the examiner about familiar topics (e.g., school, hobbies, daily life)

Purpose:

To test comprehension (listening) and production (speaking) skills – fluency, pronunciation, accuracy, and confidence in communication.

Day 2 Exam Format and Scoring

The exam consists of two components, totaling 100 points:

- Listening – 50 points (short dialogues/monologues, gap-fill, comprehension)
- Speaking – 50 points (Task 1: Picture Description; Task 2: Conversation with Examiner)
- Duration: 120 minutes (combined)
- Total Marks: 100

Global Round Recognition

- Top 10% → Gold Medal
- Next 20% → Silver Medal
- Next 30% → Bronze Medal
- Next 15% → Honorable Mention

Languages

- All questions and tasks in both rounds will be available in English