

## **Competition Show Rules**

## 1) Target:

The competition show is intended for all pupils of the school from first to ninth form. It aims to motivate pupils and positively shape their relationship with English.

This competition is not about grammatical rules, but about the practical use and presentation of the language - that is why even weaker pupils, even those who are not yet learning English as part of compulsory school attendance, have a chance to get ahead.

## 2) What is the issue?

Pupils can participate in three areas:

- (a) they may recite an English poem (recitation);
- (b) sing an English song (singing);
- (c) play a sketch, story or perform an interview in English (dramatisation).

Children can participate in all areas of the competition show either <u>individually</u> or as a <u>group</u> (especially in the case of dramatisation).

Children can use the help of musical accompaniment (karaoke version **without words**), make their own masks or scene and stage sets, etc. The performance time range should not exceed 5 minutes for individuals and 7 minutes for groups. The time to prepare the scenery must not exceed 3 minutes (Scene and costumes are not taken into account in the competition, while the contestants may be penalised if they exceed the time to prepare).

The evaluation of their performance will take into account the correct pronunciation, knowledge of the text, age adequacy and method of implementation (whether and how they fit into the role, speech and dramatisation). Individual performances will be judged by a group of experts from the organising school (i.e. a teacher specialising in English, singing and drama education). They divide all performances into three level bands - gold band, silver band and bronze band. All performers will be awarded.

## 3) Organisation of the competition show:

The competition show is divided into four level categories:

- 1) Starter (form 1 and 2)
- 2) Beginner (form 3 and 4)
- 3) Intermediate (form 5 and 6)
- 4) Advanced (form 7 up to 9 and corresponding grades of grammar schools)

Each category is then subdivided into performances by individuals and groups.

Each school can nominate one representative in each category (i.e. one pupil in the Starter category individuals and one group in the Starter category, the same in the other categories) for the show. If a school occupies all categories in individuals and groups, a total of no more than 8 performers - 4 pupils in individuals and 4 groups - should represent it at the competition show.

In case the school does not take the full number of participants in all categories, it can use the reserve to send additional performers in the already occupied category - but only **one extra performance** at most. Everything must be in advance consulted by phone or email with the organiser, Mgr. Petra Svárovská (phone + 420 602 435 851, mail comeandshow@seznam.cz).

If multiple contestants in all categories enter the competition at the school and the school exceeds the maximum number of performances, the school will make its own nominating school show, no later than 11 March 2024. The winner of the school show then proceeds to the Prague show. The names and number of pupils performing shall be sent electronically by the school by 13 March 2024 at the latest.

By completing and submitting the application form, the school guarantees that all competing children have signed their legal representative's consent to attend public appearances due to GDPR.

The application form is enclosed to the materials sent to your school or it can be found on the website of our school (www.zschabry.cz, section "Aktuality"). Once completed, send it to: comeandshow@seznam.cz.

For more information about the organisation, please contact Mgr. Petra Svárovská, phone 4 420 602 435 851.