


Academic Exploration Competition

by The Oxford & Cambridge Society of Malaysia

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The Oxford & Cambridge Society of Malaysia is proud to launch the Academic Exploration Competition in the following categories:



STEM Solution	Humanities Essay	Computer Science
<p>Explore, design or build a solution to help combat COVID-19 or the effects of measures taken to mitigate it.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Submissions should focus on a discipline, such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Biomedical sciences ▪ Biomedical engineering ▪ Medicine ▪ Engineering ▪ Mathematical modelling ▪ Psychology • Each team may consist of up to three (3) persons 	<p>What area of our lives do you think will be most indelibly changed by the COVID-19 outbreak and the measures taken to curtail it? What can be done to mitigate or harness the change you have identified?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This could focus on a discipline such as <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Economics ▪ Law ▪ Politics ▪ Philosophy ▪ History ▪ The Creative Arts ▪ Education • Individual work - not a team task. 	<p>Develop an Android app that could help control the spread of COVID-19 or negate some of the negative social and mental wellbeing repercussions of MCOs.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Each team may consist of up to three (3) persons <p>Sponsored by Aeste</p> 

Prizes	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 1st prize: RM500 cash ▪ 2nd prize: RM300 cash ▪ 3rd prize: RM200 cash 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Certificate and medal ▪ Prize giving ceremony once it is safe to hold a large-scale function. ▪ Publication on our website and YouTube channel.

Presentation of your ideas		
Essay	or Video	or App
<p>Essay of around 1,000 words & up to a maximum of 1,500 words, excluding the references and footnotes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must include an abstract • Facts, quotations and sources must be referenced • Plagiarism checks will be undertaken • Graphics may be used to illustrate evidence or concepts 	<p>A videoed presentation of a maximum length of 3 minutes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must include an overview • Facts, quotations and sources must be referenced. • Plagiarism checks will be undertaken • Graphics may be used to illustrate evidence or concepts <p>Not all members of the team need to present in the video but their participation needs to be acknowledged</p>	<p>For the Computer Science competition submission must be an Android app. This needs to be a complete basic framework that works.</p> <p>An abstract of about 500 words must be included explaining the app. The source code must also be presented.</p>

Rules
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Level of English is not part of the assessment criteria. • 6 weeks to complete starting from Sunday, 12th April. • Closing date is Monday, 25th May 6 p.m. • Submit through an online form on the Oxford and Cambridge Society Malaysia website https://www.oxbridgemalaysia.org. Parent permission for videos to be made and put onto YouTube must be given at the time of submission. • Results announced on Monday, 6th July on the Oxford and Cambridge Society Malaysia Website and YouTube channel. • Eligibility - Malaysians and non-Malaysians in local, international and private schools in East and West Malaysia studying SPM, STPM, IGCSE and AS (not A2) levels or equivalent courses. • Students can only submit one entry per category but can submit entries for multiple categories. • Judges – members of the Oxford and Cambridge Society Malaysia

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Yours sincerely,

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