

MEF English Language Olympics (MEFELO'20) REGULATIONS

1. SCOPE

MEF English Language Olympics (MEFELO'20) is an English language competition organized by English Language Teaching Department at MEF University to promote foreign language awareness among high school students. MEFELO'20 welcomes each and every high-school student from preparatory year to 12th grade all around the world.

2. AIMS

- To raise foreign language awareness.
- To stimulate interest in the English language.
- To emphasize the importance of language use for communicative purposes.

3. REQUIREMENTS FOR PARTICIPANTS

2.1 Participating as Competitors

- The application fee for MEFELO is 118 Turkish Lira (including VAT).
- All high schools around the world are welcome to attend.
- Native speakers of English are not allowed to apply for MEFELO.
- Applications will only be accepted through the registration form on our website.
- Transportation and accommodation expenses will be covered by the participants.

2.2 Participating as Audience

- Registered candidates' teachers, families and friends can attend the MEFELO'20 Final to take place at MEF University, Istanbul, on June 4th, 2020.
- Even if the candidates are not nominated for the Final, they will be invited to attend the event as a member of audience.

3. THE COMPETITION PROCEDURES

- Candidates will complete the registration on the MEFELO website.
- Registered candidates will be invited to take a selection test, if available, at a partner school in their area, or at MEF University.
- One registration is for 2 students who represent their school in the competition. If you want to take the selection test with another pair of students, then you need to register and pay for them (i.e. one registration for one pair).
- Based on the outcomes of the selection test, 5 schools with the highest score will be entitled to participate in the competition.

4. KEY DATES

Application Deadline: February 5th, 2020.

Selection Test: February 10th-11th-12th, 2020. Time: 12.00

Date and Venue of MEFELO Final: June 4th, 2020 (MEF University Maslak Campus, Istanbul)

5. CONTENT OF THE COMPETITION

- The language of the competition is English, including the rubric and instructions.
- Here are the materials you can start studying once you are nominated for the Final.
 - Vocabulary: Check Your Vocabulary for Academic English by David Porter.
 - Grammar: Common Errors in English by Paul Hancock.
 - Translation: Paraphrasing quotes and interpreting images/cartoons.
 - Listening: *Dead Poets Society* by Tom Schulman.
 - Speaking: *The Metamorphosis* by Franz Kafka.

6. EVALUATION CRITERIA

- Each category will be evaluated on 20 points.
- The highest point possible is 100.

7. EVALUATION COMMITTEE / JURY MEMBERS

- Özgür Pala – Koç University
- Joel Compton– MEF University
- Gökmen Gezer – Galatasaray University

8. AWARDS

- Grand Prize: *Acer Google Chrome Book*
- Second Prize: *Instax Mini Camera*
- Third Prize: *JBL Wireless Headphones*

9. WEB SITE FOR APPLICATIONS: www.mefelo.org

10. CONTACT DETAILS

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