



**JOSEPHITE LANGUAGE & READING CLUB (JLRC)**

*St. Joseph Higher Secondary School*

97 Asad Avenue, Mohammadpur, Dhaka



Date: 17/02/2020

To

The Principal,

Dhaka Commerce College

**Subject:** Invitation to the 17<sup>th</sup> JLRC Language Festival.

Sir/Madam,

It is to inform you that Josephite Language and Reading Club (JLRC), one of the prominent clubs of St. Joseph Higher Secondary School and College, is about to organize "**The 17<sup>th</sup> Language Festival, 2020**" from **5<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> March, 2020**. We expect the students of your respected institution to participate in this grand festival.

Therefore, we hope that you would consider our invitation and oblige us thereby.

Yours sincerely,

JLRC Family

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Principal  
St. Joseph Higher Secondary School

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Uttom Halder  
Chief Moderator, JLRC

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\*\*\*The event descriptions and registration details are attached hereby.



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### Registration Procedure:

1. If there is any, the Campus Ambassadors are to conduct the registration.
2. Each participant irrespective of category has to pay BDT 300 and will be open to all events available for that category.
3. The total amount has to be submitted to the Representative of JLRC on a mutually agreed upon date.
4. The school will be provided with a receipt from the club confirming the registration of the participants.
5. All the names of the registered participants have to be provided in the list attached.

### Categories:

1. **Junior** (Class 7-8)
2. **Secondary** (Class 9-10)
3. **College** (Class 11-12)



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### Events Details

#### 1. English Olympiad: (Categories: J, S, C)

JLRC once again brings you its refined classic event, the 'English Olympiad'. The pinnacle of language based events, this year's English Olympiad will be the ultimate showcase to test your expertise in vocabulary, syntax, grammar and a sprinkle of literature. 30 minutes, 30 questions, no negative marking, tied score will be evaluated by the difficulty level of correctly answered questions.

#### 2. Spelling: (Categories: J, S, C)

Another classic event, spelling will be available for all categories and will consist of two rounds, a written preliminary round and a stage round. This year's stage round will have a special new twist for our senior categories, so stay tuned!

In the first round, participants will spell the words announced by the pronouncer and write them down within the allotted time. The second round will be a stage round where finalists must spell out the words verbally.

#### 3. Turn the Coat: (Category: C)

Take your thoughts to the floor. In this 3-minutes instant speaking competition, provide your views on a rational, unbiased topic. Participants have to talk in favor of the topic in the first half of the speech and change his side in the second half. Be it a topic on personal principles or controversial actions, a logical, even and fair-sided speech with a good expression is the desired one.

Flat earthers are welcomed, too.

#### 4. Extempore: (Categories: J, S)

Contestants will have to speak about a topic provided impromptu for 3 minutes. Both eloquence, body language and matter will be considered during evaluation. Throw your public speaking fear out of the window because we're here to learn, get rid of our fears and make eloquence an asset.



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### 5. Book Based Quiz: (Categories: J, S, C)

Ever faced book based questions like 'অমুক চরিত্র কত তারিখ রাতে কোন মাছের বোল দিয়ে ভাত খেয়েছিল'? Are you tired of memorizing your curricular subjects already (cough BGS cough)? Do you want to read a new book, only to absorb the best lessons out of it? Here we are, trying to bring a new change to the ongoing trend of Book Based Quizzes.

We have calibrated the booklist by adding some of the most tendentious books of all time. As per tradition, there will be 2 rounds. First one will be a written round with 5 informative questions and one descriptive question from each book. Top 6 teams from the first round will advance to the final round. Our adjudication core will conduct the final round. Are you readers ready to express your comprehension (and a little bit of memory, cause we can't just let you skim) in this exciting battle of literature?

#### Class 3-4

The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe- C. S. Lewis.

The BFG- Roald Dahl

পুতুল - হুমায়ুন আহমেদ

#### Class 5-6

The Alchemist- Paulo Coelho

The Catcher in the Rye- J. D. Salinger.

রাশা- মুহাম্মদ জাফর ইকবাল

#### Class 7-8

The Count of Monte Cristo- Alexandre Dumas (Puffin Classics)

Go Set a Watchman- Harper Lee

বাড়ি থেকে পালিয়ে- শিবরাম চক্রবর্তি

#### Class 9-10

Murder on the Orient Express- Agatha Christie

Perks of Being a Wallflower- Steven Chbosky

হাঙর নদী গ্রেনেড - সেলিনা হোসেন

#### Class 11-12

All Quiet on the Western Front- Erich Maria Remarque

Lolita- Vladimir Nabokov

চৌরঙ্গী - শঙ্কর



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### 6. Catch 22 (Categories: J, S, C)

"Her hazel eyes shone like pools of wild honey in the afternoon sun, her wide, childbearing hips swinging from side to side as she walked straight into my heart like a graceful swan." (Except swans glide and don't walk and she could definitely walk.

Cool Young Adult novel, Mr. Doe. But this isn't that kind of writing competition)

Well, this is JLRC's revolutionary Catch 22. Participants will be given a comic strip that puts the reader at a crossroads - a situation where they must make a choice and see the situation play out to the end. This event puts you in the driving seat as you must use your wits and writing skills to take us through the situation and to an ending of your construction.

### 7. Tetrathlon: (Categories: J, S, C)

Language doesn't always have to be so serious, right? This JLRC exclusive event is a fun 4-in-1 aptitude test aimed at assessing the vocabulary skills of participants. It features 4 sub-events, namely:

**a) Anagram:** Participants will rearrange *rebumljedrseett* into meaningful words.

**b) Hangman:** This will be an unorthodox way of playing the traditional 'Hangman'. Participants will guess words whose letters will be replaced by blanks, of which vowel spaces will be marked and meanings shall be provided. Please try your best, though. We've killed enough stickmen since the birth of this game in 1894. No more.

**c) Word hive:** A word hive consists of five levels as in a beehive, with each subsequent level having 1 more letter than the previous. Participants will need to use all the letters in a single row. In the next row, they have to add 1 more letter and rearrange it. Meaning for each word will be provided. (As if anagram wasn't evil enough.)

**d) Crosswords:** Just your daily newspaper crossword, where rows and columns with empty letter slots will be intersected. Each initiation of a word will be numbered, and each number will have an assigned synonym as the clue of the word. The word will either be sequenced vertically or horizontally.



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### 9. ভাষারত্ন (Classes 7-12)

আবার শুরু হল বাংলা ভাষার দক্ষতা প্রমাণের মহোৎসব। দুইটি পর্বের এই প্রতিযোগিতার প্রথম পর্ব হবে বহুনির্বাচনী অধীক্ষার। প্রকৃতি - প্রত্যয়, ধ্বনিতত্ত্বের মতো ব্যাকরণের বিষয় থেকে সাহিত্য ও সাহিত্যিকের ইতিহাস সকল বিষয়ে প্রতিযোগীদের পরীক্ষা করা হবে। প্রতিযোগীদের ভাষাশৈলী ব্যবহারে দক্ষতা এবং সাহিত্যের জ্ঞানের প্রমাণকরতে হবে প্রতিটি পর্বে। যতই প্রমিত বাংলার প্রতি ভয় থাকুক, বাংলা ভাষার অদেখা এক আনন্দময় জগতে পদচারণা করেই জেগে উঠুক বাংলার প্রতি ভালোবাসা।

### 10. Language and Literature Quiz (Open for All)

The ultimate event of quizzing is here to seek out the best of quizzers. This year's signature quiz event is the "Literature and Language Quiz". Participants can form a team of up to five members. The quiz will be based on literature, language and mythology (and an optimum seasoning of general knowledge). The whole quiz will be conducted in an interactive audio visual round. There will be no negative marking. The Quiz Masters' decision will be granted as the final decision. Participants will be given papers to write answers. Most importantly, this event is open to all!

Bonus: The quiz will have a bonus Pottermore segment for the Pottermore fans, who comprise an inseparable part of the bibliophile community!

### 11. Binge Quiz (Open for All)

This event is also known as 'Nope, not another F.R.I.E.N.D.S quiz'. Right. For the first time in Bangladesh, a TV-series based pop culture quiz has relatively underrepresented TV shows to the magnanimously popular ones. If you're acquainted with Peraltiago, the highest rated TV series at present and a certain gangster family based in Birmingham, it's high time we allowed you guys to rise and shine. Yes, the concerned shows are:

>Peaky Blinders

>Brooklyn Nine-Nine

>Breaking Bad (a tad bit popular but worth its merit)

It will be a team based event and each team will consist of a maximum of 3 members. No matter how expert or novice you are at remembering these shows, it doesn't matter! Just join us, validate your hearts from knowing inches in and out about the shows or at least make this an excuse to watch these amazingly epic series.



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### 12. JLRC Language Championship (Class 9-12)

This is the signature event that will include all the important aspects that make a person proficient in linguistics, but with a good amount of adrenaline rush and stress test. This event holds special dignity in terms of upholding your institutional glory.

Three members from class 9-12 in the same institution will team up and fight in this ultimate test of language. There will be different tests on linguistic proficiency during the preliminary round. A number of best teams will proceed to the finals where a mixture of different tests will be presented within a specific time limit. (Yes, we intend to keep the best aspects of it behind the curtains to add elements of surprise and exciting turntables!)

If you've got what it takes to win it for yourself and your institution, team up and join this exciting challenge!

**P.S. For more information regarding our Pottermore event and other signature events check our Facebook page '17th JLRC Language Festival 2020'**

