

November 18, 2019

Dear Principal,

INVITATION
The 12th English Radio Drama Competition for Schools

Would you like your students to write the play script of a radio programme, showcase their talents and perform a creative English Radio Drama LIVE in front of audience?

We are extremely proud to write to you and invite your school to participate in our 12th English Radio Drama Competition for Schools. Last year, over 700 teams participated in our Radio Drama competition. We were overwhelmed by the positive responses from the participating schools. This year, we are extremely excited to inform you that the Standing Committee on Language Education and Research (SCOLAR) continues to sponsor our Radio Drama competition!



Through this competition, your students will experience the magic of sound and the creativity of their voices. Students can learn and enjoy the fun of script-writing and acting; they can also develop team spirit, improve English Language skills and build their confidence in expressing themselves in English. It will certainly be a marvelous learning experience for them.

The participants will be divided into two levels, primary and secondary. The shortlisted teams from each level will be invited to showcase their talents and perform their English Radio Drama LIVE. **NO participation fee is needed in this competition**, thanks to the generous support from our sponsors, including SCOLAR, Educational Testing Service (ETS), EF English Centers, BBC China, DYMO/Mimio, KEA Learning International Ltd, NICI and Striking, etc. **The final competition and prize-giving ceremony will be held in May 2020.**

If you are interested in joining our Radio Drama competition, please complete the enclosed application form, then either fax or email it to us at your earliest convenience. For more details about this competition, please visit our website www.mysmartabc.com/drama or vcontest.mysmartedu.com.cn. Should you have any other questions, please feel free to call us at 2851 3822 or email us at drama@mysmartabc.com. Look forward to hearing from you real soon.

Yours faithfully,
Smart Education Charitable Foundation

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Participating teams can choose a topic from the following:

1. A Hong Kong with No Winter

Imagine and depict a Hong Kong with no winter! A lot will be different! Share your story with us!

2. Guardians of the Earth – The Arctic Crisis

The Arctic glaciers and icecaps will be completely gone in ten years' time! Cities and towns around the globe will be submerged in water due to sea level rise. Tell us how you can save the Earth from the Arctic Crisis.

3. The Wheel of Seasons

As a result of a severe continental collision in the Eurasian Plate, the divine Wheel of Seasons which controls seasonality stopped working! You and your teammates need to find a way to repair the Wheel of Seasons.



Students will be inspired to practice and improve their English language learning skills, take pride in showing off their expression in teams to create amazing radio drama programs!

ELIGIBILITY TO ENTER: Students attending full-time schools in Hong Kong are eligible to enter the competition. Students can form a team of no more than 5 members and submit a 5-minute play script of a radio drama program, with one of the above three themes.

<u>Level</u>	<u>Grade</u>
Primary	P.1 to P.6
Secondary	S.1 to S.6

Timeline	
January 31, 2020 (Fri)	Deadline of application
February 17, 2020 (Mon)	Phase 1- Script submission deadline * Please upload your scripts to vcontest.mysmartedu.com.cn or email to drama@mysmartabc.com
March 16, 2020 (Mon)	Announcement of the 30 semifinalists (15 from each division) * The lists will be announced on www.mysmartabc.com/drama and vcontest.mysmartedu.com.cn

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March 2020 (TBD)	Workshop on Script Writing and Voice Training for the semifinalists
April 20, 2020 (Mon)	Phase 2- Deadline of the radio drama submission * Submit a 5-minute radio drama in MP3 format with the script online * Please upload your audio file to vcontest.mysmartedu.com.cn or email to drama@mysmartabc.com
April 29, 2020 (Wed)	Announcement of the finalist * 5 teams from each division will perform their radio drama live for a panel of adjudicators and audience * The lists will be announced on www.mysmartabc.com/drama and vcontest.mysmartedu.com.cn Phase 3- Vote for the most popular drama online (April 29 - May 8, 2020) * The radio dramas will be uploaded to the website allowing the public to vote for the “Most Popular Performance Award” till May 8, 2020 (Fri) at 12:00 noon at www.mysmartabc.com/drama .
May, 2020 (Date and venue to be confirmed)	Final Competition and Prize Giving Ceremony

RULES AND REGULATIONS:

- ❖ All entrants are allowed to submit one script only.
- ❖ Groups must consist of no more than 5 students and members of a group must be of the same division as listed.
- ❖ Any entry with content deemed to be inappropriate or sexually explicit, containing extreme violence or offensive remarks will be disqualified.
- ❖ Play scripts must be of original content, and materials taken from pre-existing scripts by writers who are not part of the group are prohibited. Entrants who fail to comply will be disqualified.
- ❖ Entrants will be solely responsible for the content and any violations of copyright as a result of posting it.
- ❖ Entries will not be returned to the contestants.
- ❖ Acceptance of any prize will constitute the winner’s consent to the use of the winners’ names, likeness, voices, opinions and prize information for promotional purposes in any media, worldwide, without further payment or notification. Decisions made by the organizer are final on all aspects of the competition.
- ❖ Any replacements of entrant in groups, extra certificates will not be given.

PRIZES FOR EACH LEVEL:

- ❖ *Gold Award with HK\$2,000 Cash Coupon*
- ❖ *Silver Award with HK\$1,500 Cash Coupon*
- ❖ *Bronze Award with HK\$1,000 Cash Coupon*
- ❖ *Merit Award*
- ❖ *Best Performer Award*
- ❖ *Most Popular Performance Award*

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JUDGEMENT CRITERIA FOR RADIO PLAY SCRIPT:

- ❖ Content 40%
- ❖ Use of language and grammar 20%
- ❖ Creativity in story plot and character development 20%
- ❖ Expressiveness 20%

JUDGEMENT CRITERIA FOR RADIO DRAMA:

- ❖ Content 20%
- ❖ Creativity in story plot and character development 10%
- ❖ Narrative skills 10%
- ❖ Expressiveness 20%
- ❖ Use of articulations 10%
- ❖ Voice projection 10%
- ❖ Thoughtful use of sound effects 10%
- ❖ Teamwork and cooperation 10%

Highlights from previous years' English Radio Drama Competition:

<http://www.MySmartABC.com/drama>



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Organizer:



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Application Form

(Please apply at vcontest.mysmartedu.com.cn/ or email this form to drama@mysmartabc.com)

Submission Deadline: January 31, 2020

To: Smart Education Charitable Foundation

Our school will join the 12th English Radio Drama Competition for Schools, below is our contact information.

Contact Information

School: _____

Teacher-in-charge: _____

Title: _____

Contact number: School: _____ Mobile: _____

Email: _____

Group 1			
Level :	* Primary / Secondary		
Topic :			
Entrant : (Class)	()	()	()
(e.g. Ho Tai Man (3B))	()	()	()

Group 2			
Level :	* Primary / Secondary		
Topic :			
Entrant : (Class)	()	()	()
(e.g. Ho Tai Man (3B))	()	()	()

Group 3			
Level :	* Primary / Secondary		
Topic :			
Entrant : (Class)	()	()	()
(e.g. Ho Tai Man (3B))	()	()	()

* Delete if inapplicable

* If you have more than three participating groups, please make copies of the form.

Please contact us at 2851 3822 if you have any enquiries.

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