



SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY COUNCIL

TAKNEEK '18

ON THE SHOULDERS OF GIANTS



SCI TALK.

Eligibility: Team Event (Y17 and Y18 only)

Total Points: 30

Introduction:

The regulars at the good ol' coffeehouse know the importance of a good talk over a cup of warm Espresso. But the art of effective articulation of seemingly complex ideas isn't so easy. Are you up for the challenge?

Rules and Regulations:

1. Each pool can send a team of up to 4 members.
2. All members have to be first-year or second-year students. There must be at least one first year student in each team.
3. Each team will be allowed to present for 25 minutes. A team might continue talking beyond this only if the coordinators decide so.
4. Questions might be asked to the team during or after the 25 minutes, so all the members should have a good grasp on the topic they present.
5. Presentations will take place in a lecture hall. Visual and audio aids can be used. Teams are encouraged to use the blackboard.
6. A theme for the talks will be provided a week before the event. You can choose your own topic, but the talk should incorporate the theme.
7. Topics can come from Physics, Mathematics, Engineering, Linguistics etc. Topics pertaining to philosophy, spirituality, metaphysics or pseudoscience will not be allowed.
8. If you are confused, you can confirm if your topic is alright by contacting the coordinators in advance.
9. Each team must send the abstract for their talk one day before the event.
10. References to research papers in the slides are encouraged. The content of the presentation must be more than a simple Google/Wikipedia search away.

After each team has presented their talk, there will be a 30 minute panel discussion.

1. One member from each team will be part of the panel.
2. All the other members (along with the coordinators) will form the audience.
3. The discussion will be based on the theme and on the talks conducted. Audience will pose questions to the panel, and anyone from the panel may answer.
4. Teams shall be judged on the basis of their presentation, questions posed, creativity, attentiveness, etiquette, enthusiasm and overall contribution to the intellectual environment of the conference.

In case of any discrepancy, the decision of the Coordinators will be final.

The winners will be given a chance to present the same talk in one of the Science-Coffee House meetings.

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