Qatar e-Nature

Schools Contest
2017

Introduction

Welcome to the Qatar e-Nature Schools contest for 2017. This year's contest will be held across primary schools in Qatar, aiming to invite students to discover Qatar's rich nature and learn more about the natural diversity found in Qatar through the Qatar e-Nature website and Application.

About Qatar e-Nature and previous schools contests

Qatar e-Nature is a first-of-its-kind smartphone application and website that highlights the rich diversity of Qatar's environment, including information on birds, plants, insects, reptiles, mammals and marine life found in Qatar. Sasol and Friends of the Environment Centre collaborated on the development of this bilingual application. It aims to promote sustainable development through an environmentally aware population.

For the last three years, Qatar e-Nature in partnership with the Ministry of Education and Higher Education, has held an annual schools contest that engaged over 350 Schools and 250,000 students. Students and teachers alike enjoyed discovering new information and learning about Qatar's nature. Winners were announced and celebrated with awards ceremonies at the end of the contest.

Qatar e-Nature Schools Contest 2017

The 2017 Schools contest will be an interactive contest in the form of a live, real-time contest in front of an audience in which teams have to answer questions immediately in order to gain points.

We invite primary schools across Qatar to run a selection process to choose a team of 3 students, one student from each of grade 4, grade 5 & grade 6 during February 2017 to represent them in the Live contest rounds to be held in March 2017 and the final round and awards ceremony during April 2017.

Selection Process for Schools teams: December 1st, 2016 – February 28th, 2017

- In order to participate, each school should select a representative team from their school. (Please follow guidelines and rules that you can find in this booklet).

- Schools can choose to conduct the selection process within their classes as they wish. Schools are invited to use the Qatar e-Nature Application and website as a tool to ask questions or conduct quizzes to help in selecting the representative students to form the school team.

- Schools can also use suggested sample questions provided by Qatar e-nature at the following link: **www.enature.qa/samplequestions** for the quizzes to select the students with the highest grades to represent the school.

- The corresponding answers of the sample questions can be accessed at **www.enature.qa/answers** noting that this link cannot be found on the website.

- Students can refer to the Qatar e-Nature Application or website **www.enature.qa** throughout the selection process or during the quiz to enrich their knowledge about Qatar's Nature and to find the answers.

- Each school has to assign a supervising teacher that Qatar e-Nature team can coordinate with throughout the contest.

Please Note

Schools have to send the names and contact information of their team members and supervising teacher, no later than Thursday March 2nd 2017, to the following contact:
csrqatar@sasol.com

Quarter Finals

- Each round will have 4 schools competing, resulting in one winner from each round that will qualify for the semi-Finals.
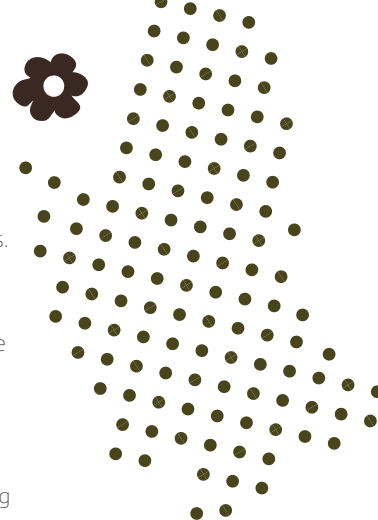
Semi Finals

- Each round will have 4 schools competing, resulting in one winner from each round that will qualify for the Finals.

Finals and Awards Ceremony

- The final round will have the 4 runner-up teams competing to result in the 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th winner during the Awards Ceremony.

Timeline and Venue

- 1st Dec 2016 – 28th Feb 2017: Schools to hold their own selection process internally
- 28th Feb 2017: Schools registration deadline
- Mar 2017: Quarter Finals and Semi-finals rounds
- Apr 2017: Finals and Awards Ceremony

Guidelines and Rules

- PLEASE NOTE: The e-Nature Contest is limited to grades 4, 5 & 6
- Qatar e-Nature can provide support in suggesting questions for a quiz that can be used for the selection process. Sample questions can be found on the following link: **www.enature.qa/samplequestions**

- Each school will choose a team of three students one from each grade 4, 5 & 6. One of these students must be Qatari national.

- If a school does not have a Qatari national student in one of the above mentioned grades, then the above condition will not apply.

- If a school does not have one of the grades mentioned above, then students can be selected from the other grades.

- Each school is responsible for committing their team representatives to the contest dates to be announced for each round (qualifying- Semi-final & Final).

- The qualifying rounds will be held in groups of randomly selected schools, 4 teams will compete at each round resulting in one winner out of the 4 teams.

- Semi-Finals will also be held in groups of randomly selected winners from the qualifying rounds resulting in 4 winning teams to compete in the Finals.

- Contest questions are derived from the content of Qatar e-Nature application. There will be one environmental question in each round related to the curriculum.

- Refer to the Qatar e-Nature Application & **website www.enature.qa** for the content that will be covered in the questions throughout the contest.
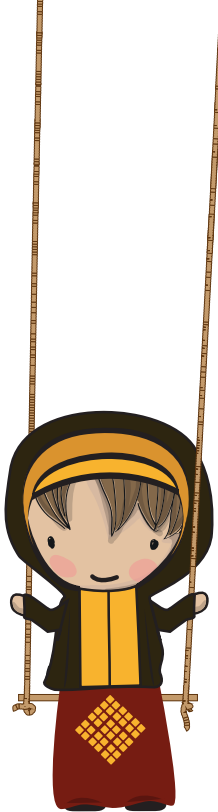
terms and conditions

Please make sure you read the terms and conditions of the contest at the following link before committing to participating in the contest: **www.enature.qa/termsandconditions**

Winners and Prizes

- First place winners will be awarded Gold medals and a voucher worth QR 4000 each.

- Second place winners will be awarded Silver medals and a voucher worth QR 3000 each.

- Third place winners will be awarded Bronze medals and a voucher worth QR 2000 each.

- Fourth place winners will be awarded a voucher worth QR 1000 each.

Contact Information and Questions

Please share your schools activities and photos related to the preparation of the Contest on our social media Channels:
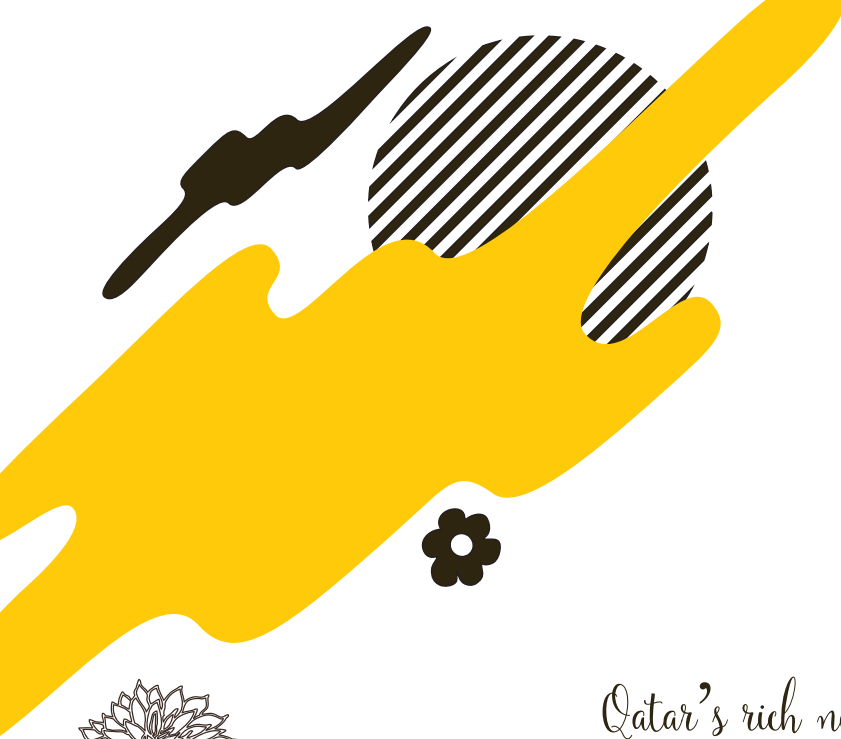
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