

History Bowl Procedure - Eastern Region

Preliminary Round

1. 4-H members will be placed in one of four groupings by random draw. The History Bowl will be conducted in two rooms simultaneously.
2. 4-H members will be placed in a holding room and called to their respective History Bowl Room.
3. Each round will be timed and will last exactly 20 minutes.
4. Correct responses to questions will count 10 points.
5. Incorrect responses to questions will count -5 points.
6. If a member "buzzes in" they must answer the question.
7. Members will have 5 seconds from the end of the question to "buzz in," after "buzzing in" they will have 10 seconds to complete their answer (except on long answers judges discretion)
8. The reader will take the first answer only, unless judge asks for more information.
9. A member may "buzz in" at anytime after the reader starts the question. If a member does "buzz in" prior to the completion of the question the reader will stop the question at that point, and will not read any more of the question.
10. If the question is answered incorrectly, the reader will re-read the question to the rest of the group. If there are no other responses the reader will go on to the next question. If the question is answered incorrectly the second time, the reader will move on to the next question.
11. The top two scoring members in each round will advance to the Finals.
12. Within the round the first person to reach 150 points will advance automatically to the finals and will quit at that point answering questions. Like wise the second person in the round to reach 150 points will advance to the Finals. If no one reaches 150 points during the 20 minutes then the top two scoring members will advance.
13. If two or more members are tied at the end of the Preliminary Round, questions will be asked one at a time to those members until one person takes the lead (either by correctly answering a question or by someone missing a question).

Final Round

1. The top 2 scoring members from each Preliminary round will advance to finals. (8 total)
2. Rules will be the same as Preliminary Round except that 25 minutes will be allotted for the Finals, and that first two to reach 200 points will advance.
3. The third placing person will be designated as the alternate.