

PACHPAN PRESS STUDY GUIDE



As a journalism category encapsulating different types and forms whilst inculcating industry-related skills, Pachpan Press will be an experience to remember. Delegates will not only compete to win, but also learn and explore the field of journalism in depth. As such, delegates will leave equipped with all the insights they may require to pursue journalistic ventures outside the category and will, surely, be inspired to do so!

General Guidelines/ Rules: No artificial intelligence tool is permitted. Delegate cap cannot be exceeded. All content must be appropriate. No external help is permitted. Teams of the same school cannot assist or replace each other. All original work produced must be submitted digitally as well for record-keeping purposes. Any delay in submission/ exceedance of deadlines set will result in a loss of marks.

Round 1: Preliminary Writing Round Based on Newspaper Article writing aspect of Journalism

<u>Delegate limit:</u> 1-2 Delegates per Team

Duration: 1 hour 30 minutes - 2 hours

Round description: For this Round, Delegates will be required to assemble a 2 page (tabloid dimension) Newspaper (Front Page + Reviews Section) comprising of two self written articles (300-500 words each)

 One of these articles may be discussing any recent breakthrough in scientific exploration/ scientific catastrophe

- The other will based more so on scientific debate (discussing the importance and drawbacks of a breakthrough / pointing out loopholes in a scientific query / can movies and other such media be accurate sources of scientific information/ assessing the feasibility of life on Mars etc.) and therefore it will be required to be written in the same style as an article in the Reviews Section of a Newspaper
- Apart from these 2 articles delegates may make use of pre-existing articles, infographics and images to fill in the remaining space
- It is important to note that delegates must format all this in Newspaper format
- During the Round Timings itself, each team's Newspaper will be displayed on a projector (anonymously) and other teams will be required to critique (BOTH pros and cons) of its content and format. All critique should be valid and the peer review carries 5 points.

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Deadline: 9:30am Day 2

*Delegates are permitted to use software like Adobe Photoshop for formatting their Newspaper

Round 2: Based on Interviewing aspect of Journalism

Delegate limit: None

<u>Duration:</u> 15 minutes briefing → Submission based round

Round description:

- Each Team will be required to shoot a 2-3 minute Interview
- The Interview must feature a journalist interviewing a Scientist/ Researcher relevant to/associated with their chosen topic from the given topics (with delegates assuming the role of each)
- The Interview discussion between the Interviewer and Interviewee must be centered on explaining the content and context of the Scientific Discovery in question.
- This video is set in that time of history when the research was a recent scientific discovery and interviews take place in that context.
- Delegates are encouraged to make the Interviews as creative as possible (via editing/cosplaying etc)

This is an elimination round.

Round 3: Breaking News Simulation Based on Live/On-Ground Coverage/ Reporting aspect of Journalism and Investigative Journalism

Delegate limit: 2-3 Delegates per Team

Duration: 2 hours

Round description: Delegates will be provided a handout at the start of the category containing information relevant to an incident along with a list of all witnesses present on-ground.

They will then be allocated a set-time limit of 20-30 minutes to question said witnesses (all delegates + witnesses present in the same room). They are given a maximum of 5 minutes per witness.

- Category Heads will be assessing each team's quality of questioning and also be keeping a track of whether any of the questions violate Journalistic Ethics.
- Delegates will then be called back to the initial Category Room after the time limit is over, failure to do so will result in deduction in marks
- Delegates are then required to report back their findings which must indicate and elaborate on the root cause of the incident based on scientific reasoning and information gathered by witnesses.
- Each team will be given 3-5 minutes to present their conclusions/report

Disclaimer: All the rules mentioned above are preliminary and may be subject to change at the day of the event. The decision of heads is final.

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