



US Academic Bee & Bowl

Quiz Bowl Competitions for Middle & Elementary School Students Across the USA

US Academic Bee Category Distribution

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Each round of the Bee has 30 tossups

- **Literature: 6 tossups**
Each round includes at least 3 American tossups, at least 1 British tossup, and at least 1 non-American, non-British tossup.
- **History: 6 tossups**
Each round includes at least 3 American tossups, at least 1 European tossup, and at least 1 non-American, non-European tossup.
- **Science: 6 tossups**
Each round includes 2 biology tossups, 1 chemistry tossup, 1 physics tossup, 1 astronomy tossup, and 1 Earth science tossup.
- **Math: 2 tossups**
As with all USABB content, these questions require no computation.
- **Fine Arts: 3 tossups**
This includes at least 1 painting tossup and 1 classical music tossup; the third tossup in a round could be from sculpture, architecture, dance, film, opera, the musical aspects of ballet, jazz, or more painting or classical music.
- **Religion & Mythology: 3 tossups**
This includes any or all of world's major religions and myth systems, but focuses primarily on Christianity, Judaism, Islam, Buddhism, Hinduism, Greco-Roman, Egyptian, and Norse traditions.
- **Social Studies: 4 tossups**
Each round includes 2 geography tossups, 1 current events tossup, and 1 tossup from civics, American government, economics, philosophy, psychology, sociology, anthropology, or linguistics.