



INTERNATIONAL INDIAN PUBLIC SCHOOL-RIYADH

18 May 2025

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Dear Parents

JAM (Just-A-Minute) Competition (Engenius)

We are pleased to inform you that our school will be organizing a literary fest - *Engenius* from 22 May 2025 to 28 May 2025. As part of the literary Fest, we will be holding the **JAM (Just-A-Minute) Competition** for students of grades VIII, IX and X.

S.No.	Grade	Date
1	X(Boys)	22 May 2025
2	X(Girls)	25 May 2025
3	VIII & IX	26 May 2025

This competition provides a platform for students to demonstrate their ability to think on their feet and speak with clarity, precision, and confidence. The event is designed to foster essential public speaking skills such as fluency, articulation, presence of mind, and quick thinking under pressure.

COMPETITION STRUCTURE

Each participant will speak for a minute on **a topic given on the spot.**

Basic Rules

- Speak fluently and flawlessly for a minute.
- No **hesitation, repetition, deviation, or grammatical errors.**
- No overuse of filler words such as "ah", "uhm", "like", etc.

Objections During Speaking

- Any participant may raise their hand and shout "**Objection!**"
- The speaker must immediately pause.
- The moderator will evaluate the objection and either accept or overrule it.

If the objection is accepted:

- The objector gains 5 points.
- The original speaker loses 2 points.
- The objector continues in their place on a new topic.

If the objection is overruled:

- The speaker resumes, and the objector loses 2 points.

Valid Objection Categories

Objection Type	Description
Hesitation	Unnatural pauses or stammering
Repetition	Repeating words or phrases unnecessarily
Deviation	Straying off the assigned topic
Grammatical Error	Incorrect usage of grammar
Factual Error*	Stating something factually incorrect (optional rule)

POINTS FORMAT (OBJECTORS)

Valid Objections	+3
Invalid Objections	-2

POINTS FORMAT (SPEAKERS)

If completed successfully without objections	+10
If validly objected	-2

Regards,

Mohd. Irfan Shaikh
Principal

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CC to:

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