

# Frequently Asked Questions about the IMC

## 1. Is the International Math Contest only for RSM students?

No. The International Math Contest is open to all. Share and invite as many people as you want.

## 2. What is the Online Challenge?

The Online Challenge is a 30 minute online test based on leading math curricula across the world. This challenge is designed to help you find out how your child's math knowledge ranks globally.

## 3. Will I get to see my score?

You will receive an email with the participants score and ranking within 48 hours of taking the test.

## 4. What is a performance report? How is it different from the initial score report?

You can opt in to receive a paid performance report for \$20 which provides the student's score, placement, percentile, knowledge strengths, gaps, and illuminates parents with as much detail as possible on their child's grasp of mathematical concepts mastered by their international peers. Additionally, if your child has taken the test last year and the year before, the performance report offers a percentile comparison over the years.

## 5. When will I receive the paid performance report?

Paid performance reports will be emailed to parents two weeks after the contest has ended.

## 6. Is the Online Challenge and Round 1 the same thing?

Yes.

#### **7. Where can I see the answers for the Online Challenge?**

The paid performance report contains the answers of the Online Challenge along with the answers provided by your child.

#### **8. How are you going to compare my child's math skills to the global math skills?**

We collect and analyze problems from international math textbooks and expectations of child's knowledge of the respective grade. Our report will be based on sampling of these problems and will also highlight the concepts that your child did particularly well on or those that might need more of his attention.

#### **9. What device can I take the Online Challenge on?**

The Online Challenge can be taken only on desktops, laptops and tablets.

#### **10. When can I take the contest?**

The Online Challenge will remain open for a week. Your child can take the test at any point during the week. Any changes to the timeline will be posted on the website.

#### **11. Are there practice problems from previous years?**

Yes, you can find all problems and answers from previous years in your dashboard as soon as you login or register.

#### **12. What happens if we have technical difficulties/internet problems during the online test?**

In case you lose connectivity, your test will be paused and once your connection is restored, you can continue the test.

### **13.What if my child gets a high score?**

Qualifying students will be invited to the Final Round: a challenging Olympiad in the tradition of European Mathematical Olympiads with complex problems that promote a deeper level of thinking for even the most advanced students. Invitations to Round 2 will be emailed to you.

### **14.Is the Final Round also an Online round?**

The Final Round is a pen/pencil and paper test and will be held in different RSM locations in USA. You will be invited to select a location of your choice.

### **15.When is the Final Round?**

The Final Round will be on Sunday, April 8<sup>th</sup>. .

### **16.What if I cannot make it to the Final Round? Can I take the test on another day?**

Unfortunately, you will not be able to take the test on another day. We hope that you can plan in advance.

### **17.Can I find math problems from previous years to practice for Round 2?**

Yes, you can find all problems and answers from previous years in your dashboard as soon as you login or register.

### **18.When will I get the results of the Final Round?**

The results of the Final Round will be announced 2 or 3 weeks after the Final Round. Any changes to the timeline will be posted on the website.

### **19.Do the students receive certificates?**

The results of the Final Round will be based on percentile and students will be awarded certificates and Gold, Silver and Bronze medals accordingly.

## **20.What is the RSM Foundation?**

The RSM Foundation is an independent non-profit organization and its main aim is to promote STEM activities for K-12 students. Visit <http://rsmfoundation.org> for more info or write to [info@russianschool.com](mailto:info@russianschool.com) for queries.

**If you have other questions, please write to us at [contest@rsmfoundation.org](mailto:contest@rsmfoundation.org).**