

PREPARED STATEMENT FOR TWO PERSON TEAM COMPETITIONS

Proctor: Please read this statement aloud when students are seated at the beginning of the official starting time for the competition. You may admit latecomers, but each team must turn in their answer sheets at the signal for everyone to stop.

This is the Two Person team competition. You should have nothing on your desk except pens, pencils, erasers, rulers, protractors and compasses. Please clear your desk of all other items. **No calculators may be used for the first 5 questions in this competition.**

I am not permitted to answer questions about interpretation of the questions.
You may talk with your own team member, but do not try to eavesdrop on other teams.

Please turn off and put away all cell phones, pagers, PDAs, watches and other transmitting devices or items with audible tones now.

(Allow students time to be sure that these items are turned off and put away.)

Ten questions will be shown on the screen, one at a time, with a limit of three minutes for each question. Team members may work together on the questions. When your team has an answer, write it legibly in the correct blank on the answer sheet, making sure it is in simplified form as specified in the Contest Manual. Fold your answer sheet and hold it high in the air so that a proctor can pick it up. The first correct answer will be signaled by announcing "FIRST." Each team has only one chance to answer for each question.

The time limit for each question is 3 minutes. I will give warnings at the end of each minute and at 15 seconds before time is up. Proctors will collect all answer sheets at the end of each round, score the sheets, and return them to the teams for the next round.

We will now distribute scratch paper and one answer sheet to each team. Please print your school name and team members' names on the answer sheet. Please be sure to use your full school name – papers with only school abbreviations will be disqualified.

(After students have written their school name and team members' names on their answer sheet, uncover the first problem, announce "BEGIN" and start timing the first question. Be careful to note the order in which answer sheets are raised to determine first place for that question.)

When the first correct answer is received, announce "First."

After 1 minute, announce "1 minute."

After 2 minutes, announce "2 minutes."

After 2 minutes, 45 seconds (when 15 seconds are remaining), announce "15 seconds."

After 3 minutes, announce "STOP."

(If a team begins to raise their paper immediately as you call the time, they should be considered to have answered in that time period.)

(At the end of each round, collect all unscored answer sheets and score them. You may then announce the correct answer for that round. Return answer sheets to the team for the next round.)

*After the 5th round (before the 6th question), announce: **If you wish to use calculators for the remaining questions, please take them out now.***

Continue for the remaining rounds. At the end of the tenth round, collect and total the answer sheets. Students may then leave the room.)