

Oxford Big Read

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Oxford Big Read is a reading competition for primary and secondary school students in India.

Students who participate in the competition will be required to read Oxford Readers and do different age-wise activities based on the categories they belong to.



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Exciting prizes to be won from OUP for Levels 1 - 3 and exclusive gift hampers from Faber-Castell for Level 1.



WHO IS IT FOR?

Shortlisted students will be decided by their respective schools*, and their entries will be sent to Oxford University Press offices for the final selection.

Level 1: Classes 1-3



Design a new book jacket for the book read, and include the title, author, illustration, and two sentences about the book.



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Level 2: Classes 4-6

Write something interesting about the book. Include the title, author, kind of story, setting, and main characters. What did you like, what did you dislike, and if the story can be changed, what would it be?



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Level 3: Classes 7-9

Write a critical review of an Oxford University Press book. Include the title, author, kind of story, setting, and main characters. Write a critical review or compare and contrast two.

* No individual applications will be accepted. All entries must be submitted through the class teacher of each class and school. Each class will participate according to the category level.

HOW TO ENTER...

1

Register Online

Fill in the Registration Form provided by Oxford University Press. There's a useful "How to" guide on registration. The process is simple: fill out the form and submit to our OUP representative.

<https://india.oup.com/oxfordbigread>

2

Participate

On behalf of their schools, your students need to read an OUP book, selected from the catalogue, available on our web page: <https://india.oup.com/oxfordbigread> between May 1 - October 5, 2023. Or subscribe to **Oxford Reading Buddy*** through your school and read one book from one level to take part. (<https://india.oup.com/campaign/oxfordreadingbuddy>)

3

Get your Students Writing

This is the fun part!

Using the provided form, get your students writing about their reading; designing a book jacket, writing book reviews, and reflecting on reading — all are a great way of developing students' reading skills. Be sure to review the criteria carefully with them so they know what they will be assessed on.

4

Select the Top 5

Choose the five best entries from your class (based on highest number of books read). These entries should be original, age-appropriate, and conceptualized by the students. *Please note that the compliance declaration in the campaign templates must be signed off by the participant's teacher/parent.*



Schools can get in touch with OUP local representatives for an exclusive three-month free trial of **Oxford Reading Buddy** for 100 students of classes 3-4, who can access the hundreds of eBooks (both fiction and non-fiction), after which the school will be billed for the remaining 9 months. If you don't want to subscribe, don't worry – it's easy to cancel at any time. [View full terms and conditions.](#)



5

Submit the Reviews

Submit the selected five best reviews (no more than five) from your class. Entries can be sent via post or as a scanned email attachment at the following address:

Priyadarshini Bhattacharyya
Oxford University Press India
Salt Lake Electronics Complex
Plot No. A1-5, Block GP, Sector V,
Kolkata 700091
Email: priyadarshini.bhattacharya@oup.com

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Regional Finalists

All submitted entries will be judged by Regional Jury Members.

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National Winner

The final regional reviews will be evaluated by National Jury Members, who will select national winners for each level.

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Global Competition

The final national entries will be submitted for a global competition.

MORE INFORMATION ON OUR WEBSITE

<https://india.oup.com/oxfordbigread>

HOW IT WILL BE ASSESSED

The committee will evaluate the reviews according to three phases of assessment: thoughts and opinions on the author's work.

Phase 1

Criterion-based Assessment:

- Spelling, punctuation, and layout
- Grammatical accuracy
- Vocabulary range
- Fluency and appropriacy of style
- Originality of thought and expression
- Word count

Phase 2

General Impression Assessment:

- Mention of title, author, story (genre), time and place, and setting of the story
- Description of the main characters
- Summary of the plot
- Personal evaluation of the story
- Evaluation of the story's appeal for peers

Phase 3

Final Total:

- The 'criterion-based' and 'general impression' subtotals will be combined to get a final total.



Any entries that fail to meet the criteria will be disqualified. In order to ensure your entries are evaluated, make sure your students submit their original and age-appropriate materials in the templates provided for each category.

All entries need to be submitted by the school authority.



TIMELINES

May 1

Oxford Big Read
competition begins

October 5

Deadline to send
entries from schools

October 30

National winners
announced

November 30

Global winners
announced



FIND OUT MORE

More information
about Oxford Big Read
can be found here:

 <https://india.oup.com/oxfordbigread>

Contact your OUP representative
or write to Priyadarshini
Bhattacharyya at:
priyadarshini.bhattacharya@oup.com
for any queries.

Registration forms and entries have to
be submitted by school management/
authorities. No individual application
by a parent/student will be accepted.



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