



Conquesta Olympiads Information

General

- Conquesta Olympiads are multiple choice question papers which challenge student knowledge in the various subjects on offer (*like a written quiz*), and enables Educators to measure students' abilities against the national and international averages (computed from participating schools).
- All students, regardless of their academic capabilities, should be given the opportunity to participate. The layout of our papers are set so as to encourage rather than disenchant, and are aimed at student participation and enjoyment. Grades 1, 2 & 3 students can write in pairs or groups and Educators can read all the text out loud to them as they work through the papers. However, students are to choose their own answers and circle them on the papers. Grades 4 – 9 students are to write individually, not in pairs or groups.
- The Olympiads do not interfere with the school's curriculum nor the examinations.
- Students can participate in all or any number of the Olympiads.
- Please note that for schools within South Africa, we send everything by door-to-door courier service, and there is minimal work or expense from the school's side. For schools outside South Africa, we email everything to the schools. We provide a typed letter to parents for you to copy and send home with the students, so they can select subjects and collect finances. Just follow the simple Procedures, which will be provided. Entries will **only** be accepted on our entry forms, via **email**. **All forms and information regarding the Olympiads can be downloaded from our website at www.conquestaolympiads.com.**

Guarantee

- We guarantee that we are a professionally run business, dealing solely in School Olympiads. Our committed staff and contributors are all professionals in their respective fields, i.e., education, administration, and I.T.
- We guarantee that certificates will reach every participating school by end October, so that they can be included to add excitement to the year-end prize giving event as an extra achievement for students.
- In our quest for excellence, Conquesta guarantees a full refund of entry fees, should our commitments not be met.
- Conquesta provides a world class service. Our custom designed software takes care of efficient and accurate administration of the entire process, from the time of receiving the entries to the printing and posting of the certificates.

Certificates

- EVERY participant will receive an A4 colour certificate, no matter what their results. The school also receives a certificate reflecting the average achievement, calculated from the top 10 results in each subject/grade. Certificates will be couriered to South African schools and emailed to schools outside South Africa. Should schools outside South Africa want their certificates printed and couriered to them, the courier costs will be for the school's account.
- Results are recorded on certificates in categories according to the following achievements:-

Platinum	85% - 100%
Diamond	76% - 84%
Gold	70% - 75%
Silver	60% - 69%
Bronze	50% - 59%
Copper	0% - 49%
- Only students achieving 50% and above in any subject will have the actual percentage(s) printed on their certificates.
E.g., **Natural Sciences : Diamond (79%)**, or if less than 50%, **Natural Sciences : Copper**.
- Certificates may be handed out at the school's year end prize giving ceremony.

Benchmarking — National Averages & Statistics (Results are shown on our website.)

- The Results List which participating schools receive together with their certificates at the end of each year, reflect each learner's percentage and the school's averages by grade and subject.
- A separate report for grades 4 – 9 (Mathematics, Science & Technology) is also provided to enable schools to assess their strengths and weaknesses in these subjects by grade and learning area.
- The national averages for the preceding year can be viewed on our website from February each year.
- During Covid lockdowns, there have been no National Average reports.

Top 20 Schools (Results are shown on our website.)

- Top 20 results are only calculated from the **10 highest percentages achieved in each subject/grade**, to ensure that **weaker students do NOT pull your school's results down**.
- Each of the Top 20 schools will receive a **Certificate of Excellence** reflecting their achievement.
- The Top 20 schools for the preceding year can be viewed on our website from February each year.
- During Covid lockdowns, there have been no Top 20 Schools reports.

Past Papers (A great coaching tool prior to students writing the Olympiads.)

- These are a wonderful aid to busy Educators and can be used as extension papers in the classroom and are sold at any time during the course of the year.
- You can order Past Papers online at: www.conquestapastpapers.com or download the order forms. Alternatively, you can contact us by phone on (031) 764-1972 or via email at africa@conquestapastpapers.com.
- Past Papers are sent via email or with a link for you to download them. You can copy as many within your school as needed.