



National Ocean Sciences Bowl

MODERATOR

What DO I Do ?

1. Introductions

- Introduce officials
- Ask students to introduce themselves and press their buzzer to test the system.
- Ask coaches to come to front of room, shake hands, and introduce themselves.

2. Rules

- Read the “Important Rules” at the start of each game and before the Team Challenge Question segment (located in your packet).

3. Reading the Questions

- Announce whether it’s a team challenge, toss-up or bonus question.
- For team challenge questions; announce topic, amount of time and when to begin.
- For buzzer questions; announce whether multiple choice or short answer, subject category, then read that question.

4. Challenges

- Only players (not audience, coach or alternate) may challenge a Moderator’s ruling on an answer.
- The Science Judge will make a ruling or take the challenge to the Appeals Judges Room.
- There are no challenges on Team Challenge Questions.

5. Getting the Answer

- Moderator: Verbally recognize the individual before she/he responds.
- Identify student by....
 - 1) announcing Team A or Team B and,
 - 2) announcing participant ID (captain, 1, 2, 3)

6. Who Won?

- Fill out official score sheet. Ask Captains to initial the score sheet.



Team A,
Competitor 2



Challenge?

Ask timekeeper to stop the clock.

Toss-Up?

No consultation among team members.
(Shhhhhhh)

Bonus?

Consultation is allowed, but the captain must answer.

Team Challenge?

Consultation allowed; written answers are handed in by the captain. No challenges to answers.

Acceptable Answers?

- Responses to MC questions can be the letter (W, X, Y, or Z), or the answer exactly as presented in the question, or both.
- Anything else is unacceptable, including synonyms, broader terms, and more specific terms.
- The first answer stated is the one that counts!

Note: At the end of each match your questions, the official score sheet, the flipchart tally, and the Science Judge’s questions & the team challenge questions should be put back in your envelope/packet. The packet should then, immediately, be taken to Ocean Bowl Central by the Runner or official who will be going to Ocean Bowl Central first.