

Students years 7–12

Australian Geography Competition

24 March – 6 April 2022

Entry deadline 28 February 2022. Only \$4 per entry.
Certificates and results for all participating students.
Visit geographycompetition.org.au for more information.



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Why enter?

For your school:

- to reward student excellence
- to promote interest in geography in your school
- to get detailed feedback on your students' performance
- to receive recognition, with prizes awarded to the top school in each state and combined territories (ACT, NT and the external territories)
- for a month's free access to Education Perfect's geography content after the Competition.

For your students:

- to practice geographical skills
- to receive printed certificates and results for their portfolios
- to compete for prizes awarded to the highest-performing geography students in each state and combined territories in each Year level
- for Year 11 students, the chance to represent Australia at the 2023 International Geography Olympiad in Bandung, Indonesia.

Competition Format

The 2022 Competition will be delivered online using the Education Perfect platform. Students have 35 minutes to answer multiple-choice and cloze questions, based on the content of the *Australian Curriculum: Geography*. The questions test both geographical knowledge and skills.

Who can enter?

The Competition is school-based and designed for students in Years 7–12. Schools may enter younger students and those students will be graded with Year 7 students. Only students enrolled in geography, or an integrated humanities or social sciences subject that includes geography, are eligible for prizes.

Teachers of vision-impaired students and schools of distance education should contact the Competition Office to discuss any special requirements.

How do I enter my school?

- Enter by 28 February using the online form at geographycompetition.org.au. Late entries may be accepted; please contact the Competition Office for advice.
- Make payment of \$4.00 entry fee per student. There is no charge to access Education Perfect for the Competition.
- From 14 March, students register with Education Perfect online, or you provide student information using a template.

Can I change our entry?

If a school wishes to increase or decrease the number of students entered, or to withdraw its entry, you must notify the Competition Office via email by 10:00 am Tuesday 8 March 2022. If required, a refund will be made, less a \$30.00 handling fee. No refund will be given if notification is received after this time.

Key dates

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| Entry deadline | Monday 28 February |
| Deadline for changes to entry | Tuesday 8 March |
| Receive instructions for registering students | Monday 14 March |
| Register students by | Monday 21 March |
| Receive code to access Competition | Wednesday 23 March |
| Competition in schools | Thursday 24 March – Wednesday 6 April |
| Prize-winners notified | Mid May |
| Results returned | Late May |
| Geography's Big Week Out | Sunday 3 July – Thursday 7 July |
| International Geography Olympiad | Monday 11 July – Monday 18 July |

Student prizes

The highest-scoring eligible geography student in each Year level in Australia, in each state and in the combined territories each receive a book prize and award certificate. First in Australia also receives a medal.

Two high-scoring Year 11 students who are between the ages of 15 and 18 on 30 June 2022 in each state and the combined territories, each win a place at Geography's Big Week Out. Two other high-scoring students from across Australia are also awarded this prize. Tied students may be separated using further assessment.

School prizes

A book voucher and framed certificate are awarded to the top school in Australia, each state and the combined territories, based on the scores of the school's best five students from each of Years 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12.

Geography's Big Week Out

The 2022 Geography's Big Week Out will be held in Darwin and surrounds from Sunday 3 July to Thursday 7 July, jointly hosted by the Geography and History Teachers Association NT and the Geography Teachers' Association of Queensland. The event is a series of geography activities, with an emphasis on fieldwork, designed to challenge and extend high-performing Year 11 students. Costs (airfares, accommodation, meals and activities) of participation in the Big Week Out are met by the Australian Geography Competition.

International Geography Olympiad

The four members of Australia's team to the 2023 International Geography Olympiad in Bandung, Indonesia, will be selected from Year 11 students based on students' performances during the 2022 Big Week Out.

Geography's Big Week Out and Australia's participation in the International Geography Olympiad are supported by the Australian Government Department of Education, Skills and Employment; the University of Melbourne and the University of New South Wales.

FAQs

The online FAQs contain more specific information. Teachers, particularly those new to the Competition, are encouraged to read the FAQs and then contact the Competition Office with further questions.



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