



COMPUDON JUNIOR

Frequently Asked Questions

Q. COMPUDON JUNIOR looks fascinating, I want to know more about it.

A. COMPUDON JUNIOR is a National Championship on Digital Literacy Skills based on **Microsoft's Digital Literacy Standard**. The championship aims to prepare and equip the young kids with this important skill in a fun way and then test their skill on digital literacy concepts that are essential for students in 21st century.

There are 2 levels of the championship and **600 top scoring students** from level 1 *online exam* from around the country will be invited to represent their school and region to compete in the India Finals of the Championship. They will compete for several awards such as **Runners Up, Regional Champions, Celebrated Participants, Merit List, School, & Class Awards** (school & class awards are subject to minimum participation from participating School) and on the top **INDIA CHAMPION Award**.

COMPUDON JUNIOR is open for students between the ages of 8-14 years (as on August 15, 2021), which is just the right age to build a solid foundation.

Because of COVID-19 and closure of Schools, participating students will take the level 1 online exam from their homes, and top performing students from level 1 will be invited to compete at Level 2 (India/National Finals) and if situation does not improve, 2nd level exam will also be allowed from home. However, for winning positions, additional qualification criteria may apply. *(Different qualification criteria for ages 8 - 10 years and 11 – 14 years).*

It is widely accepted that children should be introduced to such skills and activities early in their life if we want them to develop a high proficiency, because late learners seldom acquire the proficiency that a child who started early can acquire. Kids who start early have very high chances of becoming true champions as compared to those who start late. Hence this championship to provide the young kids with the most important skills that they would need their entire life.

Given the Schools closure because of COVID-19, learning in all schools has become online and several studies have proven that students with well-developed digital literacy skills score better in all areas.



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Q. We know/ have heard about CyberLearning but who is CyberLearning Educational Society (CES)?

A. CyberLearning Educational Society is the NGO working since 2005 to bridge the digital divide. Work of CEs has been published in and covered by media of repute including the famous English Daily Hindustan Times (English). Through strategic and special initiatives and research. CES has been able to reach out and help provide scholarships worth Rs. 2+ crores in terms of FREE Microsoft Office training and FREE Official Microsoft Office Specialist Certifications to under-privileged & minority students.

Due to COVID-19 pandemic, schools around the world had to close their physical doors and had to open virtual ones to help students complete their studies. Educators and students alike had to adapt to online education at an extremely rapid pace. The year 2020 continues to shape up to be a very different year from the previous years and has created numerous challenges especially for Schools across the world.

Q. Since CES is a Not-for-Profit Organization, have you made any adaptations because of COVID-19?

A. Considering the impact of COVID-19 where students have no option but to spend time online and without formal guidance, we realized they are very vulnerable. So, we decided to step up and made many adaptations for this challenging period. **COVID-19 has caused students to be online for longer time each day, so it has created an urgent need to make them digitally literate in the shortest possible time; and at COMPUDON Junior, we have taken following steps to help meet this urgent need.**

- We brought the **COMPUDON JUNIOR** championship to our **Not for Profit "CyberLearning Educational Society" (CES)**- our NGO established in July 2005. This has helped us to offer a very low fee of **Rs. 249/** against Rs. 449/ from last year so **"every student can participate"**
- Downloadable PDF workbook will be provided against hard copy book to ensure touch free championship
- Participation Certificate will also be made available online. However, winners' awards including certificates will be shipped to School taking all precautions

Q. How can one participate in the Championship?

A. Students can participate through their Schools. Schools can connect with us at info@compudonjunior.com or by phone at 95829 99887/ 92135 50418. Individual participation fee (when not participating through a School) is at Rs. 549/-



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Q. Will this be an Online OR Offline Exam? And which languages are allowed for testing?

A. This will be an online exam. Currently, the exam is available only in English language.

Q. What is meant by Proctor? What is the role of a Proctor?

A. Proctors are authorized officials from the School/ Organizers.

A Proctor's role includes verifying the student identity and the exam before a student can take the COMPUDON JUNIOR exam.

Q. How many levels are there in the competition and where will these take place?

A. There are 2 levels. Considering the young age of the participants, we do not want any kind of risk exposure to them so Level 1 will happen either within the School premises/ home of the students, and if situation so demands, Level 2 will also be facilitated at home of the students.

Q. What support will be available for students to prepare for the competition?

A. Complete preparation material including a downloadable workbook, access to online practice exams (unlimited attempts) and the voucher for Level 1 exam is provided. This fee has to be paid through School only once. To know more about it, please send a mail with name of the school to info@compudonjunior.com

Q. What are the objectives of the exam?

A. Objectives for the exam are available on www.compudonjunior.com

Q. Who can participate in the Championship?

A. Students must be between the ages of 8 and 14 (as of August 15, 2021). Students participating in the National Levels must be able to provide proof of age and student status upon request.
(Different qualification criteria for ages 8 - 10 years and 11 – 14 years)

Q. What are the important dates of this championship for Season II?

A. The championship dates are given below:

Level 1 Registration closes on March 31, 2021

Level 1 Exam Dates : Exams will be scheduled between 12/04/2021 to 30/04/2021
(Each School will be given/ be able to pick a specific date for the Level 1 exams)

Level 1 Results : Monday, May 3, 2021

India Finals : Friday, May 14, 2021

India Finals Result : Monday, May 17, 2021



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Q. What are the various awards for students?

A. There are over 100 awards and recognitions. Detail available on the website www.compudonjunior.com

Q. What is the qualification criteria to become India Champion?

A. The qualification criteria is:

1. **Top Score Method:** Student with the top score will qualify as India Champion.
2. **Least Time Method:** In case there are two or more than two students having the same high score, then the student who finished the exam in lesser time qualify as Winner.

Q. Where can one take an eligible exam?

A. The Level 1 exam must be taken through participating School. If you would like us to extend an official invitation to your School, please send us a mail at info@compudonjunior.com with your School details and we will invite your School.

Q. How many times can one take an eligible exam for the Championship?

A. There is no limit to the number of times a student may sit for an eligible (level 1) exam. However, for each exam, a separate exam voucher will be needed.

The cost of additional voucher is Rs. 150/ (inclusive of taxes) available on the championship website. For score to be counted in the championship, the exam will have to be taken in the School premises/ home of the student and before last date of Level 1 exams.

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