



## Official Bee Rules

Each team will be assigned an individual table. Teams can comprise of 6 to 10 players.

There will be 10 Spelling Bee rounds. All rounds will be TEAM focused. Rounds will vary in complexity; some will include traditional spelling and some will include trivia. The MC will announce each round with the specific rules and guidelines.

The MC will read each round **ONLY 2 times** so please listen carefully, you will then have approximately 5 minutes to deliberate quietly as TEAM to confirm your answers. Each team has been given an answer sheet and lots of blank paper. Please designate one person from your team to complete the form, the blank paper is for each team member to use to take notes, practice spelling etc.

The MC will CLEARLY announce when each round is over, at that time please immediately put down your forms and pens. You will then switch forms with the table behind you. You will be responsible to carefully and accurately correct your neighbor's score sheet. A WEF representative will be responsible for collecting and tallying the results.

### **Points:**

Each round will be worth a total of 10 points with exception of round 5 and 9. These rounds will be worth 20 points.

### **Double Down:**

Each team will receive ONE **Double down Bee sticker** that you apply to double the score for that particular round. The sticker must be placed on your team's answer sheet PRIOR to the scoring of that round.

### **Purchasing a Stinger:**

**Stinger stickers** may be used only once per round and are worth one point. Stingers can be purchased prior to the first round beginning and are \$5 per sticker.

### **Electronic Devices:**

No cell phones or other electronic devices are allowed to be in sight during the Bee rounds. If you must use your cell phone please exit the hall and do not return until the end of that particular round; failure to do so will result in being disqualified for that round.

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