

# The Australian Geography Competition

## Information for schools participating in 2016

The Australian Geography Competition is an initiative of the Royal Geographical Society of Queensland and the Australian Geography Teachers' Association. We look forward to your school taking part in 2016.

### Why enter?

**For you:** to promote interest in Geography in your school and to reward student excellence.

**For your students:** to compete for great prizes - overseas trips to represent Australia in international competition, trips to North Stradbroke Island, Queensland, books, medals - and to get certificates for their portfolios.

### Competition format?

The Competition is made up of multiple-choice questions testing geographical knowledge and skills. We supply the questions and answer sheets. You run the 35-minute Competition and return the answer sheets. We mark them and send back results and certificates.

### International team

Australian team members to the 2017 International Geography Olympiad in yet to be advised will be chosen from Year 11 students who excel in the 2016 Competition and via Geography's Big Week Out.

### Who can enter?

Students taking Geography, or an integrated social science which includes Geography, may enter. Students are graded at three levels - Junior for students in Years 7 and under or Year 8; Intermediate for students in Years 9 or 10; Senior for students in Years 11 or 12.

### When do the important components happen?

Friday 15 April 2016	Entry deadline and payment
Monday 16 May - Friday 27 May 2016	Competition in schools
Wednesday 8 June 2016	Answers to be received by Competition Office
Mid July	Prizewinners notified
Late July	Results returned
To be advised	Geography's Big Week Out

### How does a school enter?

1. Publicise and promote the Competition: (2016 information not yet available) download the flyers (not yet available for 2016) or find the hard copies posted to your school.
2. Collect entry fee of \$4 from each participating student (if students are paying individually).
3. Enter online (not yet open for 2016) or post us the entry form by Friday 15 April 2016.

### Any questions?

The FAQs contain more specific information on the Competition. Teachers, particularly those new to the Competition, need to read through them. If the answer is not there, contact us on, email [competition@rgsq.org.au](mailto:competition@rgsq.org.au) or phone 07 3368 2066.