



Education Perfect Online Events Guide 2021



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Term 1 Events

Term Dates: 1st February - 16th April 2021

English

EP English Short Story Competition

Who: All students in secondary school across Australia and New Zealand.

When: 22nd February - 7th March

Summary: Education Perfect's English Short Story Competition is an opportunity for students to submit an original piece of work for a series of awesome prizes. Our stimulus has been chosen to help inspire students to create a piece that captures their own experiences whilst immersing their audience in a world of their own design.

Students are required to submit a 500 words or less short story that refers to the written stimulus provided: *"Education is not the fling of a pail, but the lighting of a fire"* W.B. Yeats

If you require further information about the Short Story Competition, find it [here](#).

Languages

Education Perfect Language Championships

Who: Open to all ages across the globe.

When: 16th March - 23rd March

Summary: The EP Languages Championships is a free event where students can compete at their own ability level. This competition is designed to help boost your students' personal learning journey, engage the students with curriculum-aligned content, and motivate them to compete on an international stage.

If you require further information about the Language Championships, find it [here](#).

Term 1 Events

Term Dates: 1st February - 16th April 2021

Science

New Zealand Brain Bee Challenge

Who: Year 10 AU/Year 11 NZ

When: Round One: 1st March - 31st March

Summary: The Australian and New Zealand Brain Bee Challenge (ABBC & NZBBC) is an exciting competition for high school students in Years 10 (Australia) and 11 (New Zealand). The Brain Bee Challenge is an opportunity for students to learn about the brain and its functions, neuroscience research, careers in neuroscience, and to dispel misconceptions about neurological and mental illnesses.

How does the Brain Bee Challenge work?

Students progress through a series of rounds:

Round 1 will be conducted in your school using EP - students will engage with the Brain Bee Challenge Round 1 learning material to develop their understanding of a range of topics based on neuroscience. In the month of March, students will then sit the 'Round 1 Assessment', an online assessment based on the content the students have learnt.

Round 2 is held at the State level (Australia) and at the Island level (NZ) - at this stage, students will engage with further content on EP before attending an event in their region where they are able to meet with other high school students as well as university students and professors in the field of neuroscience.

Round 3 is the National finals - this is held at the annual meeting of neuroscientists from Australia and New Zealand, the Australasian Neuroscience Society!

The winner and their parents will be invited to take part in the International Brain Bee Challenge. In 2021, this will be a virtual event, however, the IBB is hoping that this will return to an in person experience from 2022.

If you require further information about the Brain Bee Challenge, find it [here](#).

Term 1 Events

Term Dates: 1st February - 16th April 2021



Social Sciences

EP Humanities Video Competition

Who: Open to all ages across Australia and New Zealand.

When: 16th March - 23rd March

Summary: Students are to consider the importance of Social Sciences & Humanities in the world and apply their existing knowledge to craft a video no longer than 2 minutes long.

Some ideas could be:

- A mock-interview of a Social Sciences/Humanities expert, such as a mock TV/ radio interview.
- A role play video where you have a conversation with a friend/ friends/family members.
- An advertisement that incorporates the theme of why it is important to study Social Sciences/Humanities.
- A song that somehow answers the question stimulus.
- A poem.

If you require further information about the Humanities Video Competition, find it [here](#).

Term 2 Events

Term Dates: 3rd May - 9th July 2021

Science

Explain The Brain

Who: All secondary students across Australia and New Zealand.

When: 17th May - 22nd June

Summary: The 'Explain the Brain' is an initiative of the Genazzano Institute of Learning and Brain Sciences in partnership with Education Perfect. This annual event is designed for high school students, in any subject area, to encourage their curiosity and spark their passion for the brain and brain health.

Students are invited to create and submit a short original video or infographic to highlight, explain or promote the brain theme. This year's focus is 'Brain Myths.' Students are encouraged to use interesting and creative ways to communicate their information e.g. drama, media, art, text, talking, clay models, music, demonstration etc. Entry is free and open to any secondary student in Australia and New Zealand.

If you require further information about Explain The Brain, find it [here](#).

Social Sciences

Education Perfect Humanities Championships

Who: No Age Restriction/Open to all ages across Australia and New Zealand.

When: 25th May - 1st June

Summary: This is a free event, which brings the perfect opportunity to engage your students in a challenging learning and revision competition that covers Geography, History, Economics & Business, and Civics & Citizenship. Your students will have the opportunity to access all curriculum-aligned EP Humanities/Social Sciences content to compete against classmates and other schools on a global scale.

If you require further information about the EPHC, find it [here](#).

Term 2 Events

Term Dates: 3rd May - 9th July 2021

Languages

EP Languages Essay Writing Competition

Who: Senior Languages students: Year 11-13 NZ/ Year 10-12 AUS

When: 1st June - 30th August

Summary: The EP Languages Essay Writing competition is a new competition that we will be holding for senior students. It is a great way for students to use their language learning skills in a meaningful and engaging context. Students will be required to submit a piece of writing for judging and this will be open over an extended period from 1st June - 30th August, so you can choose to fit this in when it suits your classes best. Look out for more information about this closer to the time.

If you require further information about the Language Essay Writing Competition, find it [here](#).

English

Aotearoa New Zealand Spelling Bee

Who: Year 9 & Year 10

When: 7th June - 12th June

Summary: The 2021 Spelling Bee Aotearoa New Zealand is a competition for students who love words and want to compete for one of 200 places at the regional semi-finals in August and ultimately the Spelling Bee Final in Wellington on 6 November. Spelling Bees are a great learning challenge – they expand the student’s vocabulary. The ability to understand more words will improve their reading, writing and verbal skills. It is also a fun way for them to gain a love of the English language and its many fascinating words. Many of the words have been chosen because they are relevant to your students’ academic journey through secondary school and some are chosen because they are highly amusing or obscure.

Term 2 Events

Term Dates: 3rd May - 9th July 2021



Maths

Education Perfect Math Championships

Who: No Age Restriction/Open to all ages.

When: 7th June - 14th June

Summary: This is a free event which offers an opportunity to raise the profile of Mathematics at your school. The competitive element threaded through EP inspires students to engage, giving them a chance for revision and helping refine their understanding of concepts and subject areas. Registration opening soon!

If you require further information about the Maths Championships, find it [here](#).

Term 3 Events

Term Dates: 26th July - 1st October 2021

Languages

Pop-Up Content Release Competitions

Who: All students

When: 4th - 6th August

Summary: As we release new content throughout the year, we will run short pop up competitions to celebrate this new content. These will be advertised via newsfeed, email and social media throughout the year - so look out for these when they pop up.

EP Whakataetae reo Māori

Who: Split into categories of Year 3-6 , Year 7-8, Year 9-10 & Year 11-13 NZ

When: 13th - 15th September

Summary: The EP Whakataetae Reo Māori is a national, all schools, free access competition where students and kura compete against each other by earning points from completing activities within our Māori subject content. It is EP's principle and annual Māori Language competition that celebrates Te Reo Māori and supports schools nationwide in the normalisation and regular use of our national language.

Science

Education Perfect Science Championships

Who: No Age Restriction/Open to all ages across Australia and New Zealand.

When: 16th August - 23rd August

Summary: This is a free event where students can show off their scientific knowledge. This competition celebrates learning and achievement in Science while providing curriculum-aligned content for students to earn points and participate with competitors all around Australia and New Zealand.

If you require further information about the EPSC, find it [here](#).

Term 3 Events

Term Dates: 26th July - 1st October 2021

Cross-Curricular

EP Student 'STEALTH' Challenge

Who: This Challenge is open to all students from Year 5 to 12/13 in Australia and New Zealand and entry is free with your EP subscription.

When: 9th August - 6th September

Summary: The 'STEALTH' Challenge is EP's twist on a cross-curricular challenge that incorporates a number of subjects available on EP. Students will be required to demonstrate skills across different disciplines including, Science, Maths, English, Humanities and Technology. The STEALTH Challenge is based on the Science Week theme of that year and students will be required to solve a real world problem that links to this. Teachers are invited to submit challenge questions, with the best response being chosen as the overall Student STEALTH Challenge problem for that year.

If you require further information about the 'STEALTH' Challenge, find it [here](#).

Term 3 Events

Term Dates: 26th July - 1st October 2021

English

Education Perfect English Championships

Who: No Age Restriction/Open to all ages across Australia and New Zealand.

When: 27th July - 3rd August

Summary: The EP English Championships (EPEC) are designed to create a fun learning environment to engage students in learning English, foster healthy competition amongst students and provide an opportunity to acknowledge and reward academic success in schools.

If you require further information about the EPEC, find it [here](#).

EP English Golden Micro-Poetry Slam

Who: All secondary school students across Australia and New Zealand.

When: 30th August - 17th September

Summary: The Education Perfect Poetry Slam is our most illustrious competition, with prizes that have seen students fly across the country to attend poetry performances and behind the scenes rehearsals. This competition is EP English's shining star as we support students in the creation of their own original micro-poem on a stimulus for the chance to win an amazing experiential prize.

Students will submit a vocal slam poem of 60 seconds or less to the stimulus below:

"Our physical borders may have closed, but all our other borders were torn down forever."

Term 4 Events

Term Dates: 18th October - 20th December 2021

Languages

EP Languages Video Making Competition (Juniors)

Who: Junior Languages students: Year 3-10 NZ/AUS

When: 1st November - 19th November

Summary: The EP Languages video making competition runs in Term 4 and is open to all junior students learning languages. It is a great opportunity for students to put the language they have learned during the year into use. This will run in the first half of Term 4 - look out for more information closer to the time.

English

EP English Teachers Competition

Who: All Teacher Users across Australia and New Zealand.

When: 8th November - 26th November

Summary: Education Perfect English is committed to supporting the craft of writing for their teacher users and we facilitate a teacher's only writing competition for this purpose. The competition features a stimulus which has been previously encountered by student users, and requires the teachers to put together a piece of writing in any form. Pieces should be 1000 words or less and feature the stimulus: *"Education is not the flogging of a pail, but the lighting of a fire" W.B. Yeats*

End of Year Grammar Competition

Who: All students in secondary schools across Australia and New Zealand.

When: 1st December - 3rd December

Summary: Who will be the Grammar Guru of EP English for 2021? We are putting students to the test to see if they can take the crown for being the ultimate Grammar Guru in our final competition for the year. Are you the punctuation pro, the metaphor master, or the comma commando?