FAQs for the International French Spell Bee 2019

1. How to classify the students according to the three different levels (Débutant, Intermédiaire and Avancé) and deciding who qualifies for which level?

For the schools, students of Grades 4th, 5th and 6th will enroll for Débutant level, of Grades 7th and 8th will enroll for Intermédiaire level, and students from Grades 9th till 12th will enroll for Avancé level.

2. What will be the venue for the three rounds?

The first round is a School round while the second round is a Zonal round. Both of these will take place in your respective school premises.

The third round is a Live International round. This will be conducted in New Delhi. Finalists will have to show up at the venue for the finals for an offline contest. The concerned French teacher shall accompany the finalists.

3. What is the registration fee and is there any limit as to how many students can participate?

There is no limit as to how many students can participate at the 1st level from one school. However, a minimum number of 25 students must register from all previous year participant schools inclusive of all levels from each school. Case to case basis relaxation is given to those schools participating for the 1st time.

For Indian Schools:

A registration charge of Rs.350/- (Rupees three hundred and fifty only) is applicable for the 1st Round (school round).

For the second round, only those who qualify 1st round will re-register by paying Rs.350/- (Rupees three hundred and fifty only).
For Outside India Schools:
A registration charge of 5 EUROS/ 7 USD is applicable for the 1st Round (school round).

For the second round, only those who qualify 1st round will re-register by paying 5 EUROS/ 7 USD.

4. What is the ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA for each school/city to participate?

This competition is open to all schools in non-Francophone countries like India except for those where native French students study as in Embassy schools or the French schools in Pondicherry etc.

5. What is the last date of CONFIRMATION OF PARTICIPATION?

All registrations are online at www.frenchspellbee.org. You can register your school and your students on our official website www.frenchspellbee.org for the 1st round before 20th May 2019. However, those who register early will get the latest booklet at the earliest enabling them to prepare better.

6. How will the students enrol for the 1st round?

The French teachers will at first register their school at our official website. Post registration of the school, the concerned teacher will upload the excel based list of all the students on the website itself.
In case you find difficulty in registering online you may send us the details of the students in excel sheet at frenchspellbee@lefrehindi.com and we will upload the same on the site for you.

7. Who will collect the payment & registration form?

There are two ways you can submit the fee and form.

OPTION 1 (ONLINE)

After you register online, there is a facility post registration where you can pay the registration amount directly by using online methods such as net banking, credit card or PayPal account.
OPTION 2 (OFFLINE)

Complete the registration process online by providing the DD/Pay order/Cheque no. and Bank details on the website.

The payment may be deposited at the following account number via Cheque/DD/ Pay order. Please remember to write the name of your school and total number of students registering from the school at the back of the instrument.

For Indian Schools:
BANK NAME: ICICI Bank, Sector 11, Dwarka, New Delhi 110078
Name of beneficiary: Frehindi Education (P) Ltd.
Bank A/C no.: 163905000087, IFSC Code: ICIC0001639
SWIFT Code: ICICINBBCTS
The same can also be couriered in a sealed packet mentioning the school name and mobile number at the back of the instrument to the following address:

The International French Spell Bee
C/O Frehindi Education P Ltd
331, Vardhman Bahnof Plaza, Plot No.-10, Pocket – 7,
Sector-12, Dwarka, New Delhi -110078 | Tel: 011-45537037

For Outside India Schools:

BANK NAME : Société Générale, Agence Paris, Champs Elysées
91 AV, Champs- Elysées
75008, Paris
NAME OF BENEFICIARY: Le Frehindi
BANK A/C NO.: 3000303333000020912076-28
IBAN: FR76 3000 3033 3000 0209 1207 628

The same can also be couriered in a sealed packet mentioning the school name and mobile number at the back of the instrument to the following address:

The International French Spell Bee
Le Frehindi
11 rue de Cambrai, Immeuble l’Artois, Cedex 19,
Paris, 75945, France
8. How will the students enrol for the 2nd Round?

For Indian Schools:

After the declaration of results, the qualifying students for the second round will re-register themselves by paying Rs.350/- (Rupees three hundred and fifty only) using the same online route as in the 1st round.

For Outside India Schools:

After the declaration of results, the qualifying students for the second round will re-register themselves by paying **5 EUROS/ 7 USD** using the same online route as in the 1st round.

9. Is there any registration charge for the 3rd and final round?

No, there is no registration charge for the final round.

10. What is the amount to be transferred as Registration Amount to Frehindi Education (P) LTD?

For Indian Schools:

1st Round: The school will forward a consolidated payment of Rs.300/- after deducting Rs.50-(fifty only) per student towards miscellaneous charges out of the Rs.350/-.

2nd Round: The school will forward a consolidated payment of Rs.300/- after deducting Rs.50-(fifty only) per student towards miscellaneous charges out of the Rs.350/-.

For Outside India Schools:

1st Round: The school will forward a consolidated payment of **5 EUROS/ 7 USD** to the bank details mentioned above.

2nd Round: The school will forward a consolidated payment of **5 EUROS/ 7 USD** to the bank details mentioned above.

11. How many students can be selected in Round 2 for each level?

Those scoring more marks than the cut-off will automatically qualify for Round 2 from each level. A cut off score will be announced by the organizing committee on the completion of the first round. The results will be available on the website.
12. What are the Prizes and Certificates for students?

Physical participation certificates for participants at all levels will be delivered to the schools. The name on the certificates will be the same as those entered at the time of online registration.

1st (School Round) Level Prizes:

a) All school toppers securing 1st, 2nd and 3rd positions will be given special prizes.
b) All participants will receive a participation certificate.

2nd (Zonal Round) Level Prizes:

a) All the participants will receive a special “Champion d’Orthographe” badge along with a certificate for moving to Round 2.
b) All zonal toppers will receive a Gold medal who are invited for the final round.

3rd (International round) Level Prizes:

a) All the three winners will get an all-expense paid trip to France in June/July 2020 along with their teachers.
b) All the three 1st Runner-ups will get an all-expense paid trip to Auroville, Pondicherry in March 2020 along with their teachers.
c) All the three 2nd Runner-ups will get an all-expense paid trip to Frehindi Village, Himalayas along with their teachers.

13. What are the Trophies for Schools?

The top school from each level will win the prestigious International French Spell Bee School 2019 Trophy, i.e. the top schools from each level – Débutant, Intermédiaire and Avancé.

14. What are the Prizes for French Teachers?

To qualify for this grand prize, you have to make sure that your student wins the contest. All the teachers will be honored by the prizes corresponding to the positions secured by their students, as mentioned below:
a) All the three teachers of the students securing first position will get an all-expense paid trip to France in June/July 2020.

b) All the three teachers of the first Runner-ups will get an all-expense paid trip to Auroville, Pondicherry in March 2020.

c) All the three teachers of the second Runner-ups will get an all-expense paid trip to Frehindi Village, Himalayas in May 2020.

Meilleur Professeur Certificates:

All teachers whose students secure 1st, 2nd and 3rd prizes will be awarded the “Meilleur Professeur” certificate along with a gold medal by the chief guests at the Finals.

Prix d’Excellence Certificates:

All the teachers whose students participate in the 2nd round of the contest will be awarded with the “Prix d’Excellence” certificates.

15. Will the competition be tough according to different levels and what will be the format of the papers and the type of questions asked?

You will not find the level tough if you follow the Preparation Guide developed from text books and DELF Jr. Syllabus by CIEP (www.ciep.fr/en).

For all the levels the papers will be based solely on these guides. Here are some details:

Débutant
Category 1

The themes will be based on popular French text books available in the market for standards 4, 5 and 6 and DELF A1 Jr. (Parts 1 & 2) (www.ciep.fr/en).

Intermédiaire
Category 2

Avancé
Category 3

The themes will be based on popular French text books available in the market for standards 9 to 12th & DELF A2 Jr. (Parts 2 & 3) (www.ciep.fr/en).

16. **What happens if my school is not able to garner a minimum of 25 students?**

It is mandatory to register a minimum of 25 students for the school to qualify for the competition. However, this condition is relaxed for schools registering for the 1st time, please reach us at 9811237050 / 67 / 69 to resolve the issue.

17. **What if the dates given for 1st round clash with my internal events/assessments or shows or competitions in the school?**

The school has the liberty to decide the dates for the 1st (Aug - Sept) and 2nd rounds (Oct – Nov). We will give a window of one month to your school to conduct the same as per your convenience.

18. **What will happen if there is a tie in the 2nd round of the competition?**

Those who submit their test at the earliest will be declared the winners. In case there is still a tie in the Zonal round where two students submit their tests at the same time, there will be a tie breaker round, which will be conducted in your school at a future date to be decided in consultation with the concerned school.

19. **What are the timings and venues for different rounds?**

1st and 2nd Rounds will be conducted in your school premises during school hours as per the convenience of your school. 3rd and Final Round will be conducted tentatively on 18th January 2020. The timing will be 9 am to 5 pm. Refreshments will be provided to the students and teachers.

20. **Can parents accompany students for the final round?**

Parents can accompany the students for the final round only in case the concerned French teacher fails to come along with the student. No sibling shall be allowed.

21. **How will I get the preparation guide?**

Apart from a Model test paper available for free on our website, we will provide you a database of words in a booklet called “Preparation Guide” which will act as a resource book to you for all the three levels. You may download previous year’s booklet for free from our official website.
22. Are you going to train teachers on effective techniques to prepare on all aspects of International French Spell Bee 2019 and other doubts and confusion we may have?

Yes, we may organize workshop(s) when we have a sizeable number of teachers willing to undergo training in their respective zones.
In case you wish to organize a workshop, kindly get in touch with us at 9811237050/67/69.

23. Whom should I contact for any clarification?

For Registration and other issues, you may contact us at 9811237050/67/69 or 01145537037.

24. Who will pay for the Boarding and Lodging in New Delhi for the outstation finalists?

Parents, teachers and students will have to arrange their own boarding and lodging at New Delhi. However, the sponsors will provide complimentary refreshments, tea and snacks at the venue of the finals to all the students, teachers and parents.

For any clarification and questions feel free to call at 09811237050 / 67 / 69.

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