

CRITERIA FOR TEAM PLACEMENT

Knowledge Base

- Answer questions fast and accurately
- Broad oceanography knowledge
- Study what you have committed to studying
- Make notes for review

Dedication to Club Meetings and Practices

- Attend as much as possible
- Inform Mrs. Elder or team captain when you can't
- Coordinate well with teammates
- Make practice questions (after material mastered)

Buzzer Skills and Teamwork

- No blurts, interrupts, or other rules mistakes
- Know rules, regulations, and strategies well
- Know specialties of other teammates
- Strategic mastery and clock management
- Be willing to go in and step out when needed

Other Important Factors

Knowledge is most important. Learning is key and this means curiosity, research, analyzing and remembering. Above all, this contest measures knowledge.

Team dynamics are second most important because only one person can answer toss-ups. Knowing when to answer, and when not to, is crucial for the entire team's knowledge to be used.

Third, comfort with the buzzers, timing, strategic moves, watching the clock, looking for scoring mistakes, etc are critical skills and best learned with practice and competition experiences.