

“Battle of the Brains”

Presented by the Honors Program

General Information

- 6 teams of 4 people
- Teams can include children, there will be separate kids' questions.
- Team names will be assigned to teams at check in.

Question Categories

- Academic
- Pop culture
- UConn

Day of Event

- Participants must arrive at least 15 minutes before the event (no later than 1:45).
- Team names will be assigned to teams at check in.
- Prizes will be awarded to participants and participating audience members.
- Winning team members will receive an additional prize.

Game Rules

- Each team lines up on stage (front-to-back) with one member of each team in each row across the stage.
- Play moves across the front row, with one member of each team receiving one question per round. The answers are individual, and players cannot confer with their teammates.
- The first member of Team 1 will get the first question. If he/she answers correctly, play continues with a new question given to the first player on Team 2, continuing down the row for all six teams
- When a player answers incorrectly/doesn't answer, the same question is given to the next team. Play continues until a player from one team gives the correct answer or all teams answer incorrectly.
 - If a player from one team answers the question correctly, all players who answered the same question incorrectly are eliminated and join the audience.
 - If no one from that round of play (one player from each team) answers the question correctly, then the question is thrown out, no one is eliminated, and the round continues with a new question.
- The game continues this way until only two teams have players remaining.

Ending the Game

- When there are only two teams remaining, all eliminated players from the two final teams come back for the final lightning round.
- If only one team is remaining, the teams that were eliminated in the previous round go against each other in a sudden death round to determine which one moves on to the final.

- If there are more than two teams left by 2:40, then the two teams with the most remaining members automatically advance to the final round.
- If there are multiple teams with the same number of people left, there is a sudden death round to determine the two final teams.
- For the final round – teams can collaborate, and they buzz in to answer. Teams win points for correct answers and lose points for incorrect answers. The first team to a certain point level (exact number depends on time remaining) wins the game.

Audience Participation

- During the rounds of normal play, questions are asked from random categories unless an audience member (or section of the audience) wants to give their team an advantage.
- Audience members are able to earn an advantage for the team of their choice by singing a short song (possibly the UConn Fight Song, but maybe also songs of their choice) into the microphone.
- After the audience member sings, the team he/she supports is able to choose the category of question they want for that round.
- The audience has the chance to participate once every round.

Schedule

- 1:45 Team check-in; assign team names, get teams arranged on stage
- 2:00 Welcome; explain rules, audience participation
- 2:10 First round of game—normal play
- 2:40 Start final round
- 2:50 Awards and closing remarks