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National All Rounder Championship

1 May 2021 - 31 July 2021

Self-Learning Manual: Activity 12

Creativity and Imagination:

Stand up comedy

Age: 15-17 years



Activity description

The child is required to deliver a Stand Up Comedy performance for 120 seconds. The Stand Up Comedy performance should be on the theme “Celebrities promoting brands in advertisements”.

To deliver the performance, the child would be required to create/compile a comical script related to the given theme which can be performed for the mentioned duration. Ideally, 4-6 funny punchlines (jokes) per minute is expected every minute in a high quality stand up performance. The child should aim to create content to meet this goal. While stand up comedy will involve content which would always be considered offensive by certain people, it is advisable for the child to consider audience for the activity as same age peer group & apply discretion on content to ensure content suitability. Inappropriate content would be rejected. The child is required to deliver the performance from memory i.e. no reading, no prompts. The performance should not include stammering, repetition of words unless part of script. The child’s stage presence is expected to be impactful & pauses unrelated to content/performance should be avoided. The entire video has to be shot at one go i.e. part recording & video editing is not allowed.

Let the child rehearse the performance a few times & whenever the child is ready, record the video of the child as instructed & submit. Only 1st 120 secs of video would be considered for assessment.

Assessment guidelines

The total non-bonus points for this activity is 30. Every submission would be rated as either of below.

M = Master
(100%)

The child can deliver 115 to 120 seconds performance covering at least 8 punchlines (jokes) without inappropriate content & verbal delivery as instructed

The child can deliver 85 to 90 seconds performance covering at least 6 punchlines (jokes) without inappropriate content & verbal delivery as instructed

I = Intermediate
(80%)

B = Beginner
(50%)

The child can deliver 55 to 60 seconds performance covering at least 4 punchlines (jokes) without inappropriate content as instructed

For participating in the event & making an event relevant submission which does not meet assessment guidelines for M, I or B.

A = Aspirant
(25%)

NA (Not applicable)

No submissions or any submission which is irrelevant for the activity.

50% bonus marks: If the child securing an M can deliver 115 to 120 seconds performance covering at least 12 punchlines (jokes) with voice & pitch modulations (not monotonous delivery)

Expert coach speaks

Stand-up comedy is a dialogic monologue, or a grouping of humorous stories, jokes, and one-liners, typically called a shtick, routine, act, or set.

It can take an amateur comedian about 10 years to perfect the technique needed to be a professional comedian; this is a constant process of learning through failure.

Audiences expect a stand-up comedian to provide a constant stream of laughs. The record for most laughs per minute is at twelve laughs per minute.



Key benefits of this activity

The activity benefits in many ways:

- Improves public speaking skills
- Increases confidence
- Unleashes creativity
- Develops awareness about sensitive topics & people's feelings
- Teaches handling failure & rejections
- Creates support group of fellow comics

Common mistakes to avoid

- *Do not take content for granted – work on the script*
- *Not rehearsing enough*
- *Exhausting all good jobs upfront – end the performance with best jokes*
- *Few jokes per minute – minimum 4 jokes/punchlines per minute is expected*

Useful web resources

- [How to get started with stand up comic?](#)
- [Creating funny / comic](#)
- [Kids stand up performance](#)
- [Indian child's stand up performance 1](#)
- [Indian child's stand up performance 2](#)
- [Indian child's stand up performance 3](#)
- [Got Talent: Performance by 8 year old](#)

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