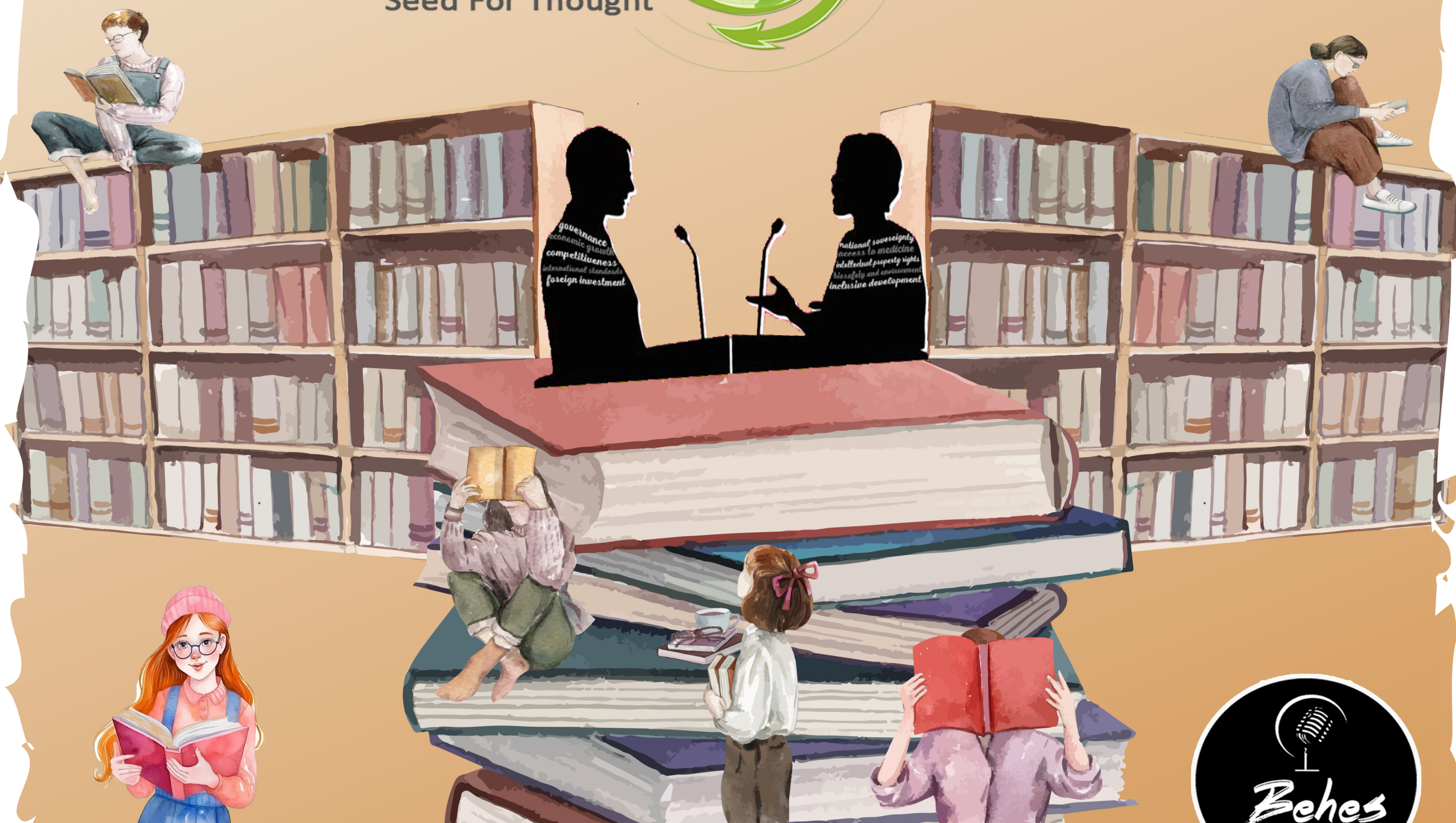




# Queen's Valley School

Invites you to be a part of



26-27 AUGUST 2023



*I am always in quest of being open to what the universe will bring us.*

*-Jill Bolte Taylor*

Dear Principal

Queen's Valley School, in its pursuit of learning, seeks to inculcate among its students, a shared passion for discussion and debate, one that equips them to understand the nuances of global changes. It is our aim to encourage children to cultivate their own sense of expression, whilst ensuring this expression itself is replete with an intellectual and intricate understanding of the world.

It is, with this aspiration, that QVS announces and cordially invites you to this year's edition of **Aurora – Seed for Thought** on Saturday, 26 August 2023 and Sunday, 27 August 2023.

The first day of the two day long Inter School Fest will witness book discussion events **Perspectives** (English) and **दृष्टिकोण** (हिंदी) to encourage exchange of ideas while contemplating critically to broaden the epistemic spectrum beyond the usual.

Also, in association with Behes - a non-profit institution dedicated to building a learned student body, QVS seeks a two-day involvement in exploring the theme of the season '**Universe on My Plate**'. The theme proposes to illustrate cultural reformations and institutions around the world, amplifying the roles food, art and literature play in human lives.

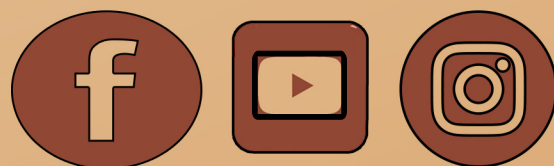
We await enthusiastic participation from you in all the events albeit selective participation is welcome. The last date for registration in all the events is Saturday, 19th August 2023.

We wish all the participating schools the very best in their pursuit of excellence.

Warm regards

Dr. Namita Sharma

Principal



## Perspectives (Event 1)

<b>Day and Date</b>	Saturday, 26th August 2023
<b>Time of Reporting</b>	8:30 a.m.
<b>Classes</b>	Category A: VII - VIII Category B: IX - XII
<b>Number of participants</b>	One student per category
<b>Dress code</b>	School Uniform (with the logo hidden)

### Category A: Classes VII - VIII

**Theme** Diversity and Inclusivity

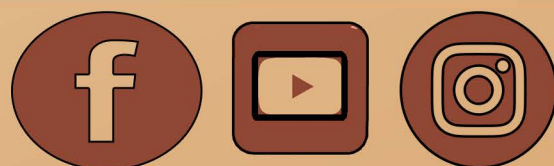
**Title** Fish in a Tree

**Author** Lynda Mullaly Hunt

**Abstract** The author gives readers an emotionally-charged, uplifting novel that speaks to anyone who's ever thought there was something wrong with them only because they did not fit in. The protagonist, Ally, has been smart enough to fool a lot of smart people. Every time she lands in a new school, she is able to hide her inability to read by creating clever yet disruptive distractions. She is afraid to ask for help; after all, how can you cure dumbness? However, her newest teacher Mr. Daniels sees the bright, creative kid underneath the trouble maker. With his help, Ally learns not to be so hard on herself and that dyslexia is nothing to be ashamed of. As her confidence grows, Ally feels free to be herself and the world starts opening up with endless possibilities. She discovers that there's a lot more to her — and to everyone — than a label, and that great minds do not always think alike.

**Text Link** <https://shorturl.at/bzKP8>

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**Category B: Classes IX - XII**

**Theme** Mental Health

**Title** The Perks of Being a Wallflower

**Author** Stephen Chbosky

**Abstract** A years-long #1 New York Times bestseller, critically acclaimed debut novel by Stephen Chbosky, Perks follows the observant 'wallflower' Charlie as he charts a course through the strange world between adolescence and adulthood. First dates, family drama, and new friends. Devastating loss, young love, and life on the fringes. Caught between trying to live his life and trying to run from it, Charlie must learn to navigate those wild and poignant roller-coaster days known as 'growing up'. An American Library Association Best Book for Young Adults and Best Book for Reluctant Readers, and with millions of copies in print, this novel for teen readers (or 'wallflowers' of more-advanced age) will make you laugh, cry, and perhaps feel nostalgic for those moments when you, too, tiptoed onto the dance floor of life.

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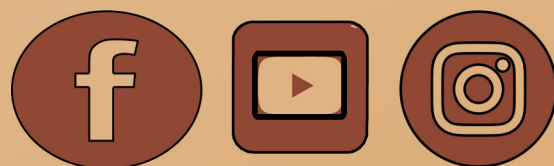
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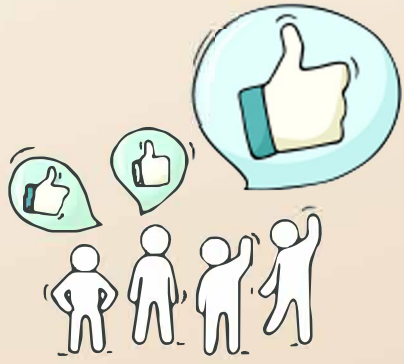
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**Teacher coordinator details:**

Ms. Priyanka Singhal

9911088129 (3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.)





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## दृष्टिकोण (Event 2)



दिनांक	: 26 अगस्त 2023
समय	: 8:30 a.m.
कक्षा	: सातवीं-आठवीं (VII-VIII) (CATEGORY-A) : नवीं-दसवीं (IX-X) (CATEGORY-B)
प्रतिभागियों की संख्या	: प्रत्येक प्रतियोगिता / CATEGORY के लिए एक छात्र
गणवेश	: विद्यालय गणवेश (बिना प्रतीक चिह्न के)

कक्षा	चयनित उपन्यास	लेखक	LINK FOR BOOKS
सातवीं-आठवीं	राजा की अंगूठी	सत्यजित राय	<a href="https://tinyurl.com/nheza5ab">https://tinyurl.com/nheza5ab</a>
नवीं- दसवीं	विजयी भव	डॉ.ए. पी. जे. अब्दुल कलाम	<a href="https://tinyurl.com/444p5822">https://tinyurl.com/444p5822</a>

### परिचर्चा हेतु चयनित उपन्यास

CATEGORY-A (कक्षा-सातवीं-आठवीं) 'राजा की अंगूठी' लेखक-सत्यजित राय

'राजा की अंगूठी' फेलूदा और उनके सहायक तोपशे के कारनामों का बयान करने वाला अनूठा उपन्यास रहस्य, रोमांच और षड्यंत्रों से भरपूर है। रोमांच से भरपूर मोड़ों से गुजरता हुआ सत्यजित राय का यह उपन्यास अपनी कल्पनाशीलता का अद्भुत नमूना है। शंकालू मन मनुष्य को उसके उचित मार्ग से सदैव भटकाता है। यह अत्यंत आवश्यक है कि किसी भी बात की गहराई को जाने बिना या तर्क की कसौटी कसे बिना हमें निर्णय नहीं लेना चाहिए।





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## दृष्टिकोण

CATEGORY-B (कक्षा नवीं-दसवीं) 'विजयी भव' लेखक-डॉ. ए. पी. जे. अब्दुल कलाम

'विजयी भव' राष्ट्रीय परिप्रेक्ष्य में चिंतन के विविध आयामों को खोलती है। अनेक व्यावहारिक चुनौतियां प्रस्तुत करती हैं और कई महत्वपूर्ण प्रश्न पाठकों के सामने रखती है। डॉ. कलाम देश के छात्र व युवा शक्ति को भावनात्मक, नैतिक एवं बौद्धिक विकास की ओर प्रवृत्त होने का संदेश देते हैं। वैज्ञानिक और तकनीकी खोजों को सही ढंग से मनुष्य के विकास में उपयोग करने के विचार पर बल देते हैं। यह कृति भारत को महाशक्ति बनाने के स्वप्न को दिशा देने वाली कृति है। इसमें शिक्षा व शिक्षण की पृष्ठभूमि, मानव जीवन-चक्र, परिवार के सदस्यों के बीच संबंध, कार्य की उपयोगिता, नेतृत्व के गुण, और विज्ञान व अध्यात्म के संतुलन पर विस्तृत प्रकाश डाला गया है।

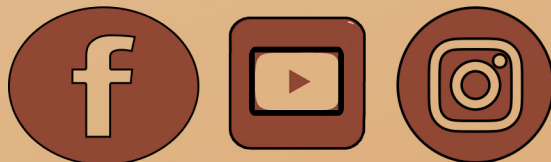
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**Teacher coordinator details:**

Ms. Sandhya Tripathi

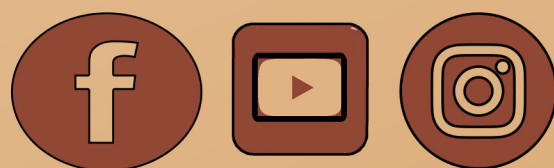
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## General Instructions (Behes) (Event 3)

1. Confirmation of participation in the event should be intimated to the host school by 19th August, 2023 via e-mail ([info@queensvalley.in](mailto:info@queensvalley.in)).
2. The reporting time for both the days is 8:30 a.m. The participants must reach on time for registration. The proceedings for the event will conclude at 2:30 p.m. on 26th August 2023 and 3:00 p.m. on 27th August 2023. The participating schools are requested to make their arrangements accordingly.
3. The participating school may enter teams of three members each in two categories - Cubs (aged 10-13 years) and Lions (aged 14-18 years). Please note that these two age groups would be competing separately.
4. Spot entries are not permitted.
5. The responsibility of the electronic device carried by the members of the team lies entirely with them. The host school will not take any responsibility in case of loss or damage.
6. The participating schools are also advised to ensure a personal internet connection in the form of a USB dongle, even as Wi-Fi internet facility will be provided by the host school.
7. All participants must be attired in formals or school uniform. It is mandatory to carry the school I-Card.
8. The decision of the adjudicators will be final and binding.
9. The payment for participation in the event will be directly made to 'Behes' using the link: <https://tinyurl.com/ycau9w7s>





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## Details for Behes

**Theme** : Universe on my Plate

**Motions** : Based on the reading list available at <http://www.behes.org/>  
Just click on 'Resources'!

### Dates

**26<sup>th</sup> August 2023 (Saturday)**

- Qualifying rounds (Both divisions: Cubs and Lions)

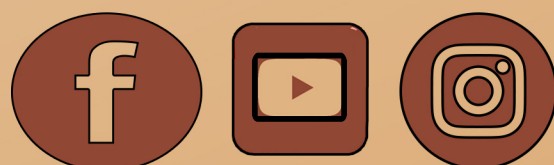
**27<sup>th</sup> August 2023 (Sunday)**

- Knockout rounds (Both divisions: Cubs and Lions)

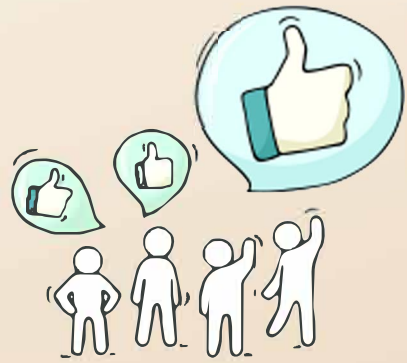
**Dress Code:** Formals or School Uniform

### For any clarifications, contact:

- **QVS Coordinator** Ms. Sakshi Narula 9899696336  
Ms. Neha Sachar 8010679383
- **Behes Coordinator** Ms. Chandrika 8448700187

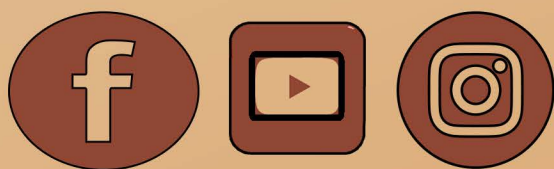






## Procedure (For Behes)

1. The adjudicator flips the coin to decide the proposition and opposition team before announcing the motion.
2. The adjudicator will announce the motion and give 15 minutes to both the teams to prepare their arguments. Participants are allowed to use any kind of device (mobiles, laptops etc.), the internet or reading material in any form during this preparation time.
3. Any kind of electronic device cannot be used after the preparation time is over. However, use of hand written notes is permitted while speaking.
4. After 15 minutes, the first speaker from the proposition team (for the motion) will come forward and present her arguments. She can speak for 3-4 minutes. The adjudicator will tap once when 3 minutes are over and twice after 4 minutes. Any arguments presented beyond this time will not be considered, however the speaker can complete her sentence after the tap.
5. After a gap of 60 seconds the first speaker from the opposition team will come forward and speak.
6. In this way, speakers from each team will speak alternately with a gap of 1 minute between each speaker.
7. The adjudicator will announce the winner at the end of the debate after all the speakers have spoken, and the scores have been tabulated.





**'Behes'** aims to promote effective communication, public speaking and debate through workshops, tournaments and language labs. The organisation also offers workshops at gracious host schools (usually preceding tournaments) where the trainers demonstrate how to 'Behes'.

## *Why Behes?*

India has been following an age-old, stagnant practice in schools with students reading out canned speeches on the topic provided prior to the debate day. 'Behes' endorses the free flow format of debating which is being followed across the globe. It is the development of collaborative, analytical, and persuasive skills apart from oratory faculties. At 'Behes' it is believed that the power to speak well comes only with the power to think well. The format of the tournament and the reading list are designed with this objective in mind.





*"Every Book is an adventure"*





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