

RACI International Chemistry Quiz FAQs

What's the purpose of the ICQ?

The ICQ aims to foster an understanding of chemistry's essence and significance among high school students, nurturing an interest in further exploration of the subject and highlighting its pivotal societal role. Moreover, the questions are tiered in difficulty, ensuring accessibility for a wide range of students.

Why the name changes from ANCQ to ICQ?

The transition to the International Chemistry Quiz (ICQ) reflects our desire to encompass the global participation of students. While the name has evolved, the format remains consistent, featuring tailored papers tailored for different Australian year levels.

Does ICQ follow a specific curriculum?

ICQ is not your typical syllabus test. While some questions align with the Australian Curriculum, the quiz isn't handcuffed to it. The aim? To keep things interesting and promote chemical thinking. We want students to apply their knowledge beyond what's covered in syllabus documents.

How are certificate levels decided?

Achievement levels are determined by comparing student performances across participating countries within the same grade. Depending on their results, students may receive certificates ranging from Excellence to Participation, with those achieving a perfect score earning an ICQ Lapel Pin.

Do students win any prizes?

In addition to certificates corresponding to their achievement level, students who excel, including those with perfect scores, are rewarded with a gleaming ICQ Lapel Pin.

How does the Online Quiz work?

The Online Quiz is a timed event, completed within a span of 60 minutes. However, students should await their teacher's approval before diving in. The questions mirror those in the hard copy paper, with calculators permitted but mobile phones and internet-connected devices strictly prohibited.

Can schools choose a different quiz date?

Our quiz extends over a 3-day period, affording flexibility for students to participate at their convenience. This setup enables students across various year levels to undertake the quiz simultaneously, simplifying supervision for teachers.

How can I check the results?

Once the results are available, detailed instructions will be provided via email on how to access the results. Teachers can then log in to the ICQ Admin Portal to download school reports and student results.

How can my child participate if the school isn't involved?

If your child is eager to partake but the school isn't onboard, approach their teacher. It's plausible to arrange for a small group to undertake the online quiz during lunch breaks or after school hours.