Instructions to participants:

What to do BEFORE the competition

- 1. Register each pupil online so that you can get your material and tag.
- 2. With the aid of the material and videos prepare for the competition.
- 3. Note that this applies to Recitation/Words often mispronounced competition.
- 4. Prepare well by watching the video over and over again

What to do AT the competition of Recitation

- 1. Arrive early at the competition to use your ticket to collect your tag If it was not sent to your school. If the tag was sent to your school, don't forget to bring it with you to the competition.
- 2. Wear your tag just like you can see in the video. MAKE YOUR UNIFORM DOES NOT COVER YOUR TAG.
- 3. In other for the video to pick everything you have done, stand on the centre mat of the competition and present. Make sure your movement is within the centre mat. Use your voice, eyes, face and hand to gesture what you are saying.
- 4. Listen to the moderator, once you hear your tag number come on stage, wait for the mic to be set, introduce yourself, Say the name of your school. and perform. Bow out and leave the stage after performing.
- 5. Pupils should not walk about aimlessly. Sit on the seat assigned to your school until the event is over.
- 6. Don't make a noise except when you are cheering and clapping the participants on stage.
- 7. Start with 'I am reciting, say the title of the poem and writer, as in 'I am reciting: AIR BY ABIOLA OLAGUNJU, Or I am reciting: 'Nightfall in Soweto' by Oswald Mtshali.
- 8. Recite with great enthusiasm. Make sure your voice project what is written and gesture accordingly.
- 9. Let the punctuations marks in the reading show in what you are enunciating.
- 10. Use the appropriate British intonation, stress timed rhythm, stress pattern to recite so that you can score a good point.

- 11.Do not forget to entertain your audience. Make sure you use the stage well.
- 12. The judges will be scoring you on
- (1.) pronunciation (2.) stressed timed rhythm (3.) intonation
- (4.) fluency and (5.) Stage Presence (how well did you use the stage to act out your lines)

What to do at the competition:

Words Often Mispronounced

- 1. Prepare well by practicing with the material and the video over and over again.
- 2. Arrive early at the competition to use your ticket to collect your tag
- 3. Put on your tag just like you can see in the sample videos.
- 4. In other for the video to pick everything you will do, stand on the centre mat of the competition.
- 5. Listen to the moderator, once you hear your tag number come on stage, pick word from the box, look at it, say the word to yourself silently, then say it once into the mic AND SAY IT THE SECOND TIME. Then wait for the instructor to tells you whether you are right or wrong. If the instructor says you are right you sit back on the stage but if the instructor says you are wrong then one of the officials will remove your tag and tell you to leave the stage.

IMPORTANT POINTS TO NOTE

SECURITY:

- 1. Follow the directives of the men at the security post. Provide these:
- A. Show them your registration ticket. B. Identify each pupil on the form.
- C. Write the names of the teachers that will be with the pupils in the hall and identify them at the gate.
- D. Write the names others that are with you. This includes the driver's name and identity them.

- E. If there is a need for you to go out, please collect a pass and keep it so that you will not be stopped from entering.
- F. Do not bring more than the number of pupils you registered.
- G. The two teachers must keep an eye on the pupils. No child will be allowed to walk aimlessly.
- I. Don't listen or follow any other directives except the one coming from an official from OMA with our ID card. Tell your pupils to scream if they are threatened by anyone.

2. Welfare

- A. Snack and drinks will be provided at noon.
- B. It is expected that your pupils have their breakfast before coming or come along with it since **no one** will be allowed to walk around the gate except you are with a pass to go out.
- C. You are free to come with other things that you may need but do not litre the floor.
- D. All the pupils are expected to be seated, if a pupil needs to wee or defecate one of the two teachers must follow the pupil.
- E. No child will be allowed to go out of the hall without a teacher to accompany the child.
- F. please cooperate with the ushers having Oma Diction written on their badges. Feel free to ask them for anything you want.

3. Dress and grooming/decorum

- A. All the pupils are expected to wear a clean and well ironed uniform.
- B. The two teachers that are coming must be well dressed.
- C. Pupils shoes and sandals should be well polished.
- D. The teachers must endeavour to keep the pupils quiet. Of course, the pupils can clap the pupils but there should be no noise.

4. Safety:

- A. Teachers should not allow their pupils leave their presence but should a child leave and get injured, please meet our medical team at the back of the hall.
- B. Please encourage the driver to rest very well and avoid alcohol before driving everyone to the event and after the event.
- C. Ensure your driver follows all the driving rules on your way coming. Speed limit should not be more than 60 km/hr.

5. Punctuality:

Please all schools are expected to be at the **Venue: SILVERBIRD GALLERIA HALL 4**, **Ahmadu Bello Way, Victoria Island, Lagos** at 8:30am for registration since the program will start at exactly 9am. Do not forget the program starts 9am. WE WILL NOT WAIT FOR ANY SCHOOL

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