**14.8 Quiz Compitition**

Q**uiz competition**

A quiz competition is a mind sport wherein the player/s, as an individual or in team tries/try to reply correctly in an attempt to win it or notch a superior position by a better margin of scores than the opponent in order to have an upper hand, move to next round or win it.

* Quiz competitions also serve the purpose of a brief assessment to gauge the skills and knowledge of the participant/s.
* Over the years people have been fascinated by these quizzes, which have been broadcasted on television.
* The most popular Quiz competition in India is KBC “Kaun Banega Karorepati” (a multiple choice quiz) watched and enjoyed by children and adults alike. It tests the general knowledge of the individual participants. Interesting part of it is that everybody who uses to watch the program feels himself a part of it. This is only because testing one’s own general knowledge is more fascinating than any financial benefit involved in the program.
* The objective of quiz competition for school students is to encourage them to peep beyond their textual knowledge and establish a relationship between theory and application of the learnt concepts.

**Types of school quiz competition**

Quiz competitions can be conducted for different age groups in a school or outside of it over varying cultures. Types of Quiz competitions may loosely be divided as under

* **Solo or individual quiz competition as in KBC,**
* **Inter class (individual or team competition):** To engage and enlightened the students, an inter-class general knowledge Quiz competition on different selected topics may be held for students of different classes.
* **Inter school quiz competition:** objective of this competition is good for describing interactions between different schools,
* **Inter-state quiz competition:** Its one of the aims is actively enhance interaction between people of diverse culture living in different cities and states of India. it promotes mutual understanding amongst them

**There are many more types of quizzes such as**

* Personality Quiz
* Scored Quiz also known as “tally Quiz” is commonly used in Online test and assessment competition
* Multiple choice Quiz
* Yes or No Quiz
* True or False Quiz
* Knowledge Test
* **Trivia Quiz;** such as guessing a celebrity from his/her original name or identifying an important event, giving the more relevant clues gradually to identify it.
* And many more

The Quiz may comprise of oral questions, riddles, audio-visual rounds. Through various interesting as well as challenging rounds, the knowledge of the participant may be put to the test in Quiz competitions. Participating children and audience will thoroughly enjoy it. Quiz competitions enhance eagerness among students in the way similar to “Kaun Banega Karorpati” as referred above.

**Benefits of quiz competitions**

* Quiz competitions are a source of general/specific knowledge improvement,
* If designed properly, they help to promote a fun way to study,
* Quiz competitions improve the horizon of thinking and invite the students to think from a different angle,
* Quiz competitions promote a healthy debate amongst students/participants and help learn with each other,
* Quiz competitions help in language and subject area development,
* Quiz competitions can be used as a tool to measure the growth in the knowledge, abilities, skills of the school students in general/specific fields for instance science, technology, engineering, mathematics, history etc.,
* Quiz competitions help in team building process, synchronization of talents and competitive abilities,
* Quiz competitions promote group harmony,
* Inter-state group competitions provide a chance of making new friends from different cities and cultures,
* Spelling bee competition too is a sort of Quiz competition that improves the students’ spellings and vocabulary,

***School authorities have a responsibility to encourage their students to take part in quiz and spelling bee competitions in an endeavor to improve students’ skills and prepare them for a stiff competition they might face in their future practical life.***