

1. About SOF Olympiads

The ****Science Olympiad Foundation (SOF)**** organizes academic Olympiad competitions to develop students' subject knowledge, logical reasoning, analytical thinking and problem-solving skills.

These competitions provide opportunities for students to assess their academic abilities and earn certificates, medals and awards based on their performance and applicable selection criteria.

Major SOF Olympiads

Olympiad	Subject
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SOF IMO	International Mathematics Olympiad
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SOF Science Olympiad	Science (NSO/ISO naming subject to current notification)
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SOF IEO	International English Olympiad
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SOF IGKO	International General Knowledge Olympiad
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SOF ICSO	International Computer Science Olympiad
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SOF ISSO	International Social Studies Olympiad
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****Classes Covered:**** 5th to 10th, subject to the eligibility of each competition.

2. Tentative Examination Schedule 2026–27

Examination	Tentative Exam Period
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SOF IMO	October–December 2026
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SOF Science Olympiad	October–December 2026
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SOF IEO	September–November 2026
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SOF IGKO	September–November 2026
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SOF ICSO	December 2026–January 2027
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| SOF ISSO | November 2026–January 2027 |

| Level 2 Exams (where applicable) | February–March 2027 |

| Results & Awards | As officially announced |

****Important:**** These are indicative periods, not confirmed 2026–27 dates. SOF generally provides examination date options for participating schools. Follow the latest official schedule.

3. Eligibility Criteria

- Students studying in Classes 5 to 10 can participate in the SOF Olympiads offered for their respective classes.
- Students from CBSE, ICSE, State Boards and other recognized schools may participate.
- Registration is generally arranged through participating schools.
- Students may participate in multiple eligible Olympiads.
- No minimum school examination percentage is generally required for Level 1.
- Level 2 qualification, where available, depends on performance and official SOF selection criteria.

4. SOF Olympiad Exam Pattern

For many SOF Olympiads, the traditional Class 5–10 Level 1 pattern is:

| Particular | Typical Pattern |

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| Exam Mode | School-based written examination |

| Questions | 50 MCQs |

| Duration | 60 minutes |

| Maximum Marks | Generally 60 |

| Question Types | Subject Knowledge, Reasoning & Achievers Section |

| Negative Marking | Generally not applicable |

| Difficulty | Class-wise, including higher-order thinking questions |

****Selection Levels****

****Level 1:**** School-level examination with wider national and international ranking.

****Level 2:**** Conducted for qualifying students in selected Olympiads such as Mathematics, Science and English, subject to current rules.

The exact 2026–27 pattern, marking scheme and Level 2 eligibility must be confirmed from SOF's official class-wise guidelines.

5. Detailed Olympiad Syllabus

A. SOF International Mathematics Olympiad (IMO)

****Class 5–6****

- Number systems and number operations
- Factors, multiples, fractions and decimals
- Geometry and basic mensuration
- Measurement, time and money
- Data handling and mathematical patterns
- Logical and mathematical reasoning

****Class 7–8****

- Rational numbers and exponents
- Algebra and linear equations
- Ratio, proportion and percentages
- Profit, loss and simple interest
- Geometry and mensuration
- Data handling and reasoning

****Class 9–10****

- Number systems and polynomials

- Linear and quadratic equations
- Coordinate geometry
- Triangles, circles and trigonometry
- Arithmetic progressions
- Surface areas and volumes
- Statistics, probability and logical reasoning

B. SOF Science Olympiad (NSO / ISO)

Class 5–6

- Plants, animals and the human body
- Food, health and nutrition
- Materials and their properties
- Force, motion, light and shadows
- Electricity and magnets
- Air, water and the environment

Class 7–8

- Nutrition, respiration and reproduction
- Microorganisms and cell concepts
- Heat, sound, light and electricity
- Force, pressure and friction
- Acids, bases, metals and non-metals
- Conservation of natural resources

Class 9–10

- Matter, atoms and molecules
- Chemical reactions and equations
- Acids, bases, salts and metals
- Cell biology, tissues and life processes
- Heredity and reproduction

- Motion, forces and gravitation
- Work, energy, light and electricity
- Environmental science

C. SOF International English Olympiad (IEO)

****For Classes 5–10****

- Vocabulary, synonyms and antonyms
- Grammar and sentence structure
- Tenses, articles and prepositions
- Reading comprehension
- Spelling and word usage
- Sentence correction
- Spoken and written expressions
- Higher-order language questions

Difficulty and question coverage increase according to the class.

D. SOF International General Knowledge Olympiad (IGKO)

- General Science and Technology
- Indian and World Geography
- Indian History and Culture
- General Awareness and Current Affairs
- Sports and Famous Personalities
- Environment and Wildlife
- Logical Thinking and Life Skills

E. SOF International Computer Science Olympiad (ICSO)

- Computer fundamentals

- Hardware and software
- Operating systems
- Word processing, spreadsheets and presentations
- Internet and cyber safety
- Digital technologies
- Logical reasoning
- Programming concepts appropriate to the class

F. SOF International Social Studies Olympiad (ISSO)

- History and important civilizations
- Indian and World Geography
- Civics and political institutions
- Constitution and citizenship concepts
- Economics and resources
- Social and environmental awareness
- Map interpretation and reasoning

****Syllabus Note:**** These are suggested preparation topics. Official SOF syllabi differ by class, examination and academic year. Students must refer to the latest class-wise syllabus.

6. Recommended Books & Study Material

****Essential Books****

1. NCERT and Balbharati textbooks for the relevant classes.
2. Official SOF class-wise Olympiad workbooks.
3. SOF sample paper and practice-question books.
4. Previous-year Olympiad question papers.
5. Logical reasoning and higher-order thinking practice books.
6. Subject-wise Olympiad preparation guides.

****Study Tip:**** First master school textbook concepts, then solve Olympiad-level questions.

7. Olympiad Test Series & Mock Tests

****Recommended UCA Preparation Activities****

- Chapter-wise practice tests
- Weekly Olympiad mock tests
- MCQ-based worksheets
- Logical reasoning exercises
- Time-bound full-syllabus tests
- Higher-order thinking questions
- Previous-year question paper practice
- Performance analysis and doubt-solving sessions

Specific UCA test-series schedules, enrolment availability and charges will be communicated separately.

8. SOF Olympiad Exam Fees 2026–27

****Official Registration Fees: To Be Confirmed****

SOF charges an examination registration fee per student for each Olympiad. Fees may depend on the country, academic year and applicable school administration charges.

Students should confirm the exact 2026–27 fee and payment procedure from their school or the official SOF notification.

****Note:**** SOF registration fees and any separate UCA preparation charges are different.

9. Previous-Year Question Papers & Sample Papers

Students should practice previous-year question papers for:

- SOF IMO – Mathematics
- SOF Science Olympiad
- SOF IEO – English
- SOF IGKO – General Knowledge
- SOF ICSO – Computer Science
- SOF ISSO – Social Studies

****Benefits****

- Understand the examination format.
- Identify important topics.
- Improve speed and accuracy.
- Practice reasoning and Achievers Section questions.
- Evaluate preparation and correct mistakes.

****Official Website:**** <https://sofworld.org/>

Students can check available sample papers, syllabi and study resources through SOF's official website.

10. Important Tips to Qualify & Score Higher

1. ****Understand the syllabus:**** Prepare according to your class and selected Olympiad.
2. ****Strengthen fundamentals:**** Focus on textbook concepts and clear understanding.
3. ****Practice daily:**** Solve MCQs and reasoning-based questions regularly.
4. ****Focus on the Achievers Section:**** Practice application-based and challenging problems.
5. ****Solve previous papers:**** Understand the style and difficulty of questions.
6. ****Attempt mock tests:**** Improve speed, time management and confidence.
7. ****Analyse mistakes:**** Revise weak areas after every test.
8. ****Prepare current affairs:**** Especially important for General Knowledge Olympiads.

9. ****Follow a study timetable:**** Balance school studies and Olympiad preparation.

10. ****Revise regularly:**** Consistent revision improves performance and accuracy.

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****Disclaimer:**** All unverified 2026–27 exam dates, fees, syllabus details, examination names, patterns and selection rules are tentative. The latest official SOF notifications will prevail.