

INTERNATIONAL KANGAROO LINGUISTIC COMPETITION (IKLC) – QATAR

A Global Linguistic Experience for Students of Grades 1–12

Welcome to IKLC Qatar

The **International Kangaroo Linguistic Competition (IKLC)** is one of the world's largest linguistic reasoning competitions, held in more than 90 countries and designed to cultivate curiosity, logical thinking, and analytical reading skills among young learners.

In Qatar, IKLC is organised by **Acumen Educational Consultancy W.L.L.**, the official national representative of **Kangourou Sans Frontières (AKSF)** and **Editura Sigma**.

IKLC aims to bring a joyful, globally recognised learning experience directly to every school in Qatar.

Why Participate in IKLC?

International Recognition

Students participate in the *same globally standardised competition* attempted by millions worldwide.

Builds Reading & Thinking Skills

Questions focus on reading comprehension, logic, and linguistic reasoning — *not rote memorisation*.

Stress-Free & Inclusive

There is **no pass or fail**. Every student receives a certificate, reinforcing confidence and motivation.



Meaningful Achievement Awards

High achievers earn international medals and badges, while all participants receive certificates.



Convenient — Held Inside Your School

The competition is conducted on the school's premises as a simple, classroom-style assessment overseen by your teachers.

Competition Details

Eligibility

IKLC Qatar is open to **all students from Grades 1–12**, across:

- Private schools
- Government schools
- Educational institutions

There is **no selection criteria**. Schools are encouraged to offer it to *every* eligible student.

Levels

IKLC follows 6 international Kangaroo levels:

- **Pre-Ecolier:** Grades 1–2
- **Ecolier:** Grades 3–4
- **Benjamin:** Grades 5–6
- **Cadet:** Grades 7–8
- **Junior:** Grades 9–10
- **Student:** Grades 11–12

Teachers may place a student **one level down** if they believe the student has not yet covered the concepts of their current grade level.

(This adjustment must be made **during registration**, not on exam day.)

Important Dates

- **Registration closes:** 05 December 2025
- **Competition date:** 15 January 2026

Competition Format

Fully Written, MCQ-Based Exam

IKLC has:

- ✓ No listening component
- ✓ No speaking component
- ✓ No memorisation required

Students receive:

- A **question booklet**
- A **bubble (OMR) answer sheet**

Question Structure

Each question has **5 answer choices** (A–E).

Grades 1–4 (Pre-Ecolier & Ecolier):

- **24 questions**
 - 8 easy
 - 8 medium
 - 8 advanced

Grades 5–12 (Benjamin to Student):

- **30 questions**
 - 10 easy
 - 10 medium
 - 10 advanced

Questions carry **3, 4, or 5 points** depending on difficulty.

Where the Competition Takes Place

The exam is held **inside your school**, in a regular classroom setting supervised by your own teachers.

This helps reduce stress and provides a safe, familiar environment for all students.

Delivery of Materials

Schools receive all exam materials **2–4 days before the competition**, including:

- Question booklets
- Pre-printed bubble sheets with student names
- Attendance sheet
- Instructions & code of conduct

Students **may keep their question booklets** after the exam.

Registration Process for Schools

1. Visit: www.kangarooqatar.org/iklc
2. Register your school (or log in if already registered)
3. Navigate to “**Contest**” → “**Add Students**”
4. Enter:
 - Student name
 - Parent name
 - Grade / Level
5. Save your list
6. Pay the registration fees via bank deposit/transfer
7. Upload **proof of payment** on the portal
8. Submit the final list

Minimum registration: 10 students per school (exceptions available upon request).

Grading System (Kangaroo International Scoring Format)

IKLC follows the same international scoring model used in **IKSC** and **IKMC**. Each exam includes questions across three difficulty levels:

- **3-point questions – Easy**
- **4-point questions – Medium**
- **5-point questions – Advanced**

Levels 1–4 (Pre-Ecolier & Ecolier)

- **Total achievable marks:** 120
- **Total questions:** 24

- 8×3 points
- 8×4 points
- 8×5 points

Levels 5–12 (Benjamin, Cadet, Junior, Student)

- **Total achievable marks:** 150
- **Total questions:** 30
 - 10×3 points
 - 10×4 points
 - 10×5 points

Correct, Wrong & Skipped Answers

- **Correct answer:** Full points
- **Wrong answer:** –1 mark penalty
- **Skipped question:** No penalty (0 marks)

This carefully balanced system rewards accuracy and discourages random guessing while still supporting student confidence.

Scoring & Awards

Awards follow the international Kangaroo standard:

- **Gold Medal:** 95% and above
- **Silver Medal:** 85% and above
- **Bronze Medal:** 75% and above
- **3-Star Badge:** 65% and above
- **2-Star Badge:** 55% and above
- **1-Star Badge:** 40% and above
- **Participation:** Below 40%

- Participation Certificate + Participation Badge

Every student receives a certificate. High achievers earn medals and achievement badges, and students scoring below 40% receive full recognition through certificates and participation badges.

Result Announcement & Award Distribution

- **Results are announced approximately 30 days after the competition.**
- Medals, badges, and certificates are delivered to each school **within 30 days after the result announcement**, accounting for verification, sorting, packaging, and international logistics.

Awards & Certificates



Participation Certificates

Awarded to **every participant**.



Participation Badges

Awarded to students scoring **below 40%** to encourage motivation and appreciation.



Achievement Medals & Badges

Awarded to high performers:

- Gold Medal
- Silver Medal
- Bronze Medal
- Achievement Badges

Educational Impact

IKLC supports the Ministry of Education's vision of **"Igniting a Passion for Learning."**

It helps students:

- Strengthen problem-solving and reasoning skills
- Improve reading comprehension
- Build self-confidence
- Develop analytical thinking
- Enjoy learning beyond textbooks
- Engage with a global learning community

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