At what level should each film be pitched?

Students are encouraged to aim their films to students of a similar age and level – so students need to imagine that they are explaining their topic to a similar age group in another COBIS school. You need to make it really engaging so use good humour and lively presentation, but avoid using ‘in jokes’.

Competition dates to remember!

Monday 27 January: Registration opens: online form can be completed and entries uploaded
Wednesday 12 March: Deadline for submissions requesting a ‘Fast Review’ which is a short review on ‘first cut’ films with suggestions for improvement within 24 hours of upload
Wednesday 2 April: Final submission deadline
Monday 14 April: All entrants’ films posted You Tube site, along with indications of nominees
Sunday 11 May: Winners announced and Awards presented at COBIS annual conference in London

Interested in participating?

What to do next...

• Complete the competition registration form on the COBIS website - www.cobis.org.uk
• Review the competition rules below, especially the section about copyright
• Review entries for similar competitions like: Scinema, Planet SciCast and You Tube sites for ReelScienceFilmNZ and NPLSchoolScienceFilm
• Promote the competition in your school and identify filming facilities - useful guidance can be found at http://scicast.org.uk/resources/film-school/
• Select and assemble student team/s. Identify student talent in film making, presentation and animation etc
• Ensure appropriate permission is granted from parents. COBIS will not require evidence of this, however please ensure this is covered
• Students can start to scope, plan, design, cast for, practice and shoot their film/s – remember up to 3 films can be entered per COBIS school
• Submit completed films before or on the day of the submission deadline – no late entries will be permitted
• Wait to see if your students films have been nominated
• Winning entries and runners up for all 10 categories will receive fantastic trophies and prizes!

2014 Young Scientist Film Awards categories

All winning entries and runners up will receive fantastic awards, trophies and prizes! Entries are welcomed and nominations will be made by COBIS and NPL for final judging panels in each of the following categories.
• Best Biology (all ages)
• Best Chemistry (all ages)
• Best Physics (all ages)
• Best Young Explorer (KS2)
• Best Scientific Theory Explanation (all ages)
• Best International Collaboration
• Most Creative KS 1-2
• Most Creative KS 3-5
• Best Scientific Investigation (all ages)
• Best Overall Film KS 1-2
• Best Overall Film KS 3
• Best Overall Film KS 4-5

Ready to register for the 2014 COBIS Young Scientist Film Awards?

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Good luck!