CTOM SPON ZONE Problem Simple Story

Judge: Preparation:

- Set a table with five chairs for competing team members.
- Provide a copy of the problem instructions on the table for the team members.

Judge Instructions:

(Judge: When team members enter the room, tell them)

This is a verbal problem. You have 1 minute to select the five team members who will compete. The others must sit in these seats and watch or be escorted from the room. They may not assist in solving the problem and may not talk.

(Judge: After 5 Team Members Chosen and seated, Read all the instructions, repeat, then Start the Time)

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- 2. Once time begins, it will not be stopped, even if a judge asks you to repeat a response, clarify it, or give a more appropriate response. Speak loudly and clearly.
- 3. Your team will respond in the order that you are seated. You may not skip your turn, repeat an answer or pass.
- 4. When time begins, the Judge will start a story with one line. And four of you will respond in order. After the fourth person, the Judge will start another story and the next four will respond, and so until either time runs out or 6 stories have been completed.
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- 6. For instance the Judge might say: "Last Saturday a red and yellow cat walked in our door..."

(Judge: Repeat all the instructions, then Start the Time)

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For Judges Only

Use some of the following stories, or invent some of your own.

- "Suddenly it started to rain...
- "My cousin said. 'what was that noise'...
- "Did you see OMER walk by the door, I think he is looking for someone...
- "My uncle said 'Don't worry I have cut down many trees bigger than this one..'
- "Now I think you turn left, then a right or was that another left...
- "As I was walking home from school...
- "That is funny, I thought the movie started at 6:30
- "Good Grief, what a day this was..
- "Our dog was sleeping in his usual spot..

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Team Copy

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