## A, B, C 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)

1. You will have 1 minute to think and 3 minutes to respond. You may ask questions; however, time will continue. Do not talk to each other at any time
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 point to a team member to start. Team members will respond in order, each with a sentence for a story. Each sentence must begin with either the next letter of alphabet. You may also skip one letter of the alphabet.
5. If your sentence begins with the next letter of the alphabet, then you will receive 2 points for each response that continues the story, 3 points for each response that continue the story and moves it in a different direction, and 5 points for each response that continues the story, moves it in a different direction and is highly creative. If you skip one letter of the alphabet, then you will receive 1 point for each response that continues the story, 2 points for each response that continue the story and moves it in a different direction, and 4 points for each response that continues the story, moves it in a different direction and is highly creative.
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(Judge: Repeat all the instructions, then Start the Time)

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