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Sixth Form Essay Competition

Competition Rules

Eligibility:-

- Entrants must be in Year 11, 12 or 13 and attending a school or college in one of the nominated counties at the point of submission.
- Entries previously submitted to academic courses, such as the EPQ, are eligible, provided they answer one of the questions set and are formatted to the required standards.
- Plagiarism is taken seriously and will result in you being disqualified from the competition.
- Essays can be submitted up to the deadline of 23:59 on Tuesday 1st March 2016. Please do not submit any entries after this date, as they will not be accepted.
- Essays should demonstrate a breadth of knowledge and ideas, along with an ability to write with clarity and coherence. We encourage students to draw upon a combination of key elements from their studies, their business acumen, examples from the world around them and imaginative discussion. It is not necessary to have studied either Business or Economics in school; the competition is open to all students, and we welcome entries from anyone with an interest in business.

Criteria and Format:-

- Essays must be written in English and processed in Microsoft Word.
- Entries must be between 1,000 and 2,500 words in length.
- The essay must be based on one of the 4 questions set.
- Submitted essays must be entirely the work of the entrant and must include references where necessary to avoid plagiarism.
- The 2,500 word maximum includes footnotes, but excludes any references and bibliography.

How to Enter:-

- Essays should be emailed prior to the deadline to schoolessaycompetition@deloitte.co.uk together with a copy of the downloadable cover sheet.
- We regret we cannot accept any entries in hard copy form.

Prizes:-

- We will award a £300 cash prize to the overall winner, along with £100 cash prizes to 2 runners up. In addition, we will be offering 2-week work experience placements to these three successful entrants. This will be in our Reading office, and can be arranged at a time suitable to you.
- A selection of the top entrants will be invited to a prize giving ceremony and dinner at our Reading office. This will provide you with an exclusive chance to get a more personalised insight into Deloitte.
- We will contact you with regards to competition winners; please be patient as all entries will need to be judged and moderated before a winner can be announced.
- The judges decision is final; please do not contact us for individual correspondence as judges will not be able to comment on each submission.
- Winners will be contacted in March 2016.
- Competition winners agree to participate in competition promotion and public relation activities. Deloitte may wish to publish a bulletin on competition winners. This will include names and educational institution. No other personal details will be released.
- By entering the competition, the entrant agrees to allow Deloitte to publish their essay if it so wishes, for example in a published media article, uploaded to the internet or other channels. This can be the entire essay or sections of it. This use will be suitably credited to the author

Any queries relating to the competition should be addressed to schoolessaycompetition@deloitte.co.uk

Please remember: Entrants are to complete the downloadable cover sheet detailing their names, contact details, school / college and essay title. This should be emailed with your essay.

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Entry Form

Please complete the following entry form and email it, with your essay, to schoolessaycompetition@deloitte.co.uk Full Name: School Year: Mobile Number: Name of School: School Address: Post Code: Please name a Teacher who can verify that the essay submitted is your own work: Teacher's Contact Email: ADDITIONAL INFORMATION The following section is for information gathering purposes only, it will not form any part of your entry. A Level (or equivalent) subjects studied: How did you first hear about Deloitte? _____ Have you heard of our Brightstart / Scholar schemes? Yes / No Would you be interested in receiving more Yes / No information about our Brightstart / Scholar schemes? If yes, please indicate which scheme (or both) Would you consider applying for any of our student schemes (e.g Scholar, Brightstart, Graduate, SVS)? Yes / No If yes, please indicate which scheme and likely year of application: