

## **S.P.O.N.T. = Spontaneous Prepared Omers are Never Thwarted**

1. This is a verbal hands-on problem.
2. You will have two minutes to think and four minutes to respond. Questions count against your thinking time.
3. You will receive one point for each common answer. Humorous or creative answers will be worth 3 points. This is a subjective opinion on the part of the judge, and the judges' decision is final.
4. In front of you are some Acronyms. Acronyms are words formed from the initials of other words. You are to use one of these Acronyms as part of your response.
5. Your team will take turns in sequence. You may not skip your turn, nor repeat, nor pass. If one member of the team is stuck, the team is stuck.
6. Once time begins, it will not be stopped. If the judge asks you to repeat your answers, clarify it or give another answer, it counts against your time. Speak loudly and clearly.
7. Your problem is: When it is your turn, you are to choose an Acronym from the list placed in front of you. You are to spell out the Acronym and state what it might stand for. For instance, B.F.N. could stand for "bye for now" and L.O.L. could stand for "laughing out loud".
8. Repeat # 7.

### **FOR JUDGES ONLY:**

Team should be given a list of 10 or more acronyms on individual 3" x 5" cards. Here is a list to help you get started. See if the team can come up with some creative acronyms that they may be able to incorporate in to their set or performance. Small items like this can go a long way towards STYLE POINTS if the team puts their minds to it.

G.N. N.L.D. P.A.T. W.T.M.I. R.I.G. J.A.M.

D.B.A. M.R.T. P.S.S.T. L.O.N.G. C.A.T. A.B.C..

W.A.C. T.A.L.L. F.O.B N.E.W.S. P.I.G A.R.T.

F.O.E. F.L.A.G. R.D. R.P.C. S.D. S.T.A.T.

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