



SCIENCE COMMUNICATION CONTEST

# Myth Busters Challenge 2026

## About the Contest: Myth Busters Challenge 2026

Think you can spot the difference between scientific fact and fiction? Our “Science Communication Contest: Myth Busters Challenge 2026” is calling for the next generation of fact-checkers to bridge the gap between scientific truth and widespread misconceptions. Pick a persistent myth—from cultural traditions to hygiene habits and more—and dismantle it using evidence and creative analogies. Bring your findings to life in a compelling 5-minute video and show the public why scientific literacy matters more than ever!

## Eligibility

The contest is open to Secondary school students studying in Forms 3 to 5 (equivalent to Grades 9 to 11/ Year 10 to 12) in **Hong Kong, Macao, or Shenzhen** during the academic year 2026-27.

### Criteria:

- Participation in the contest will be based on a group format, with each group comprising 3 to 6 students.
- All members of the participating group must be students of the same school.
- Each group intending to participate must either submit their application through their respective school or be officially nominated by their school to enter the contest.
- Each school is allowed to enter a maximum of two teams in the contest.
- The students who have won prizes in the previous year's contest will be eligible to participate, provided they meet all other eligibility criteria.

## Prizes

Award (per group)	
Gold Prize	HKD \$12,000
Silver Prize	HKD \$6,000
Bronze Prize	HKD \$4,500
People's Choice Award	HKD \$4,500
Merit Prize [2 groups]	HKD \$1,000

\* Special consideration may also be given to awardees of the Group for admission to the 6901 BSc programme

\* Free quota for JSI workshops may be given to awardees (if appropriate)

## Five Steps to join the Challenge

- Step 1**  
**Ignite your curiosity**  
 Pick a persistent science myth and research its origins using at least three reputable sources
- Step 2**  
**Map Your Evidence**  
 Explain the "real" science behind the misconception and explore the reasons why it persists
- Step 3**  
**Draft Your Proposal**  
 Submit a proposal along with a detailed 5–8 scene storyboard in English or Chinese that clearly depicts the intended flow of your 5-minute video with the presence of at least 2 presenters
- Step 4**  
**Create Your Video**  
 If selected for the second round, produce a 5-minute video to "bust" your myth using creative experiments, analogies, or demonstrations
- Step 5**  
**Make it to the final round!**  
 Submit your final video ensuring it includes bilingual subtitles and that all visual or audio aids are properly sourced and credited

## Submission Deadlines

First round of selection:  
**September 27 (Sunday), 2026**

## Enquiries

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## More information

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