

CHINMAYA MISSION TORONTO - BHAGAVAD GEETA CHANTING COMPETITION 2021

Chapter 2, Saankhya Yoga (The Yoga of Knowledge) – Part 1

Competition Date: May 2021 (exact date TDB)

Venue: Online via zoom (code will sent to participants closer to the date)

Participants: All children and adults IN CANADA
(**Note:** within Canada, if your local Chinmaya Mission Center is offering the competition, please register with them)

Categories

Category	School Grade (2020 - 2021)	Number of Shlokas	Memory
A	Pre KG & KG	1 - 8	All Verses*
B	1 & 2	1 - 20	All Verses*
C	3 & 4	1 - 25	All Verses*
D	5 & 6	1 - 30	All Verses*
E	7 – 12, Adults	1 - 38	All Verses*
F	7 – 12, Adults	1 - 38	Chant 38 With text ** & Memorize at least 8 Verses (V11-V18)

* If participants get nervous, they will be allowed to reference their printed copy of the verses up to 5 times

** Participants in this category will have 10 marks deducted from memory, but are still eligible for this medal depending on performances

Registration

- All participants must register online at <https://forms.gle/tHSfeaCmFyLCBw2B9>
- Last date to register is April 30th, 2021. No exceptions.

Judgment Criteria

Memory/Fluency**	30 marks
Pronunciation & overall effect	50 marks
Presentation	20 marks
Total	100 marks

Definition of terms in judgment criteria:

- ****Memory/Fluency:** Ability to chant all verses without any break, hesitation or confusion. Participants **can** refer to their chanting paper, but special credit will go to those who know it by heart.
- **Pronunciation and overall effect:** Ability to chant all verses with correct pronunciation, clarity of chanting
- **Presentation:** Posture, devotional bhava (right attitude and feeling), zoom etiquette, dress, and environment

- There may be up to two judges for each participant.

- Decision of the judges will be final and no appeal will be entertained at any level.

Awards

- All participants will receive a certificate of participation.
- Medals will be given to every participant who scores above 80 marks.
- Participants will NOT be competing with each other for 1st, 2nd or 3rd place; rather, each participant will be competing with themselves for excellence in chanting
- **Marks will not be shared with children, to minimize “exam” culture.**

Testing

- No other family members are allowed to be present in the room when children are chanting. If there are space limitations in your environment, kindly let us know in advance.

Tutoring

- Tutoring is ongoing for all ages. To join our tutoring classes, register for the competition and select the tutoring option. Details will be shared with interested participants.