

£1000 3D Crosswords IT Challenge - Terms and Conditions

The Promoter of this competition ('Competition') is 3D Crosswords Limited, 6 Drakes Meadow, Penny Lane, Swindon, SN3 3LL.

1. To enter this Competition, an entrant must design and develop a computer program which operates such that a totally blind crossword solver can tackle a three dimensional crossword from start to finish, independently. The 3D crosswords referred to here are those found at www.calendarpuzzles.co.uk
2. Entrants are encouraged to be in contact with the Promoter during the competition in the same way as a software developer might be in contact with the proposed user of the software.
3. Entries can be sent by post on a disc or memory stick to Calendar Puzzle IT Competition, PO Box 4823, Coventry, CV6 9FN or by email to sirius@calendarpuzzles.co.uk to be received no later than midnight on 31st December 2012 ('Closing Date') Any entries received after the Closing Date will not be entered into the Competition.
4. To be a valid entry, the entry must include the following information: the entrant's name, address, email address and contact telephone number; the entrant's confirmation that they are 18 or over or their date of birth if under 18; a file containing the computer program which can be run on a computer with the Windows operating system; and the entrant's confirmation that the invention is their own original work and does not infringe the copyright or other intellectual property rights of any third party.
5. All entries must be original and innovative and all entrants promise that entries will not infringe the copyright or other intellectual property rights of any third party. Entrants shall compensate the Promoter against all claims, costs and losses arising from breach of this promise. It is a condition of entry that the winner shall make the winning entry generally available for use for free and on the terms of the GNU General Public License, version 3 (see here for details <http://www.gnu.org/licenses/gpl.html>).
6. The Promoter shall be entitled (but not obliged) to use the winning entry for the purposes of publicising, demonstrating, distributing and selling three dimensional crosswords.
7. Entrants may be invited to demonstrate their program to the judges. Entrants will make themselves available at a time to be agreed for the purposes of such demonstrations, in the absence of

agreement, entrants will make themselves available on any date reasonably stipulated by the Promoter provided that 21 days notice is provided. Failure to attend will entitle but not require the Promoter to deem their entry invalid.

8. Entrants confirm by their entry to be bound by all the terms and conditions of this Competition, which include the instructions for entry, details of the prizes and these conditions.
9. All entrants must be aged 16 or over, residents of the UK and must not be employees of the Promoter, RNIB or anyone professionally associated with this Competition (or immediate family members of any of these). Entrants under the age of 18 must have their parent's/guardian's consent to enter the Competition.
10. There is no restriction on the number of entries per person. Incomplete, corrupt or otherwise defective entries will be deemed invalid.
11. Proof of submission or sending is not proof of receipt. The Promoter accepts no responsibility for any faulty or failed electronic data transmissions or technical functions nor failed connections by the entrant's attempt to enter the competition. The Promoter is not responsible for any unavailability of its website or operating systems.
12. No purchase is necessary to enter the Competition.
13. The winner of the Competition will be the entrant who has, in the judges' opinion, developed a computer program which best meets the brief in condition 2 and taking into account how comfortable it is to use and how easy it is to learn how to use.
14. The panel of judges will comprise a number of blind crossword solvers, a judge with knowledge of information technology and a judge specialist in crosswords. The panel of judges may include a director of the Promoter.
15. The winner will be notified by email no later than 3 months after the Closing Date. If the winner does not respond to the Promoter within 21 days of first being contacted by the Promoter they shall forfeit their right to receive the prize and the Promoter shall require the panel of judges to select another winner. In addition, if the Promoter has or discovers reasonable grounds for believing that an entrant has contravened these conditions the Promoter reserves the right to select an alternate winner.
16. The prize £1000 will be paid by cheque to the winner. The prize is non-transferable. In the event that the winner is under 18, they must provide evidence of the consent of a parent in order to receive the prize. If such consent is not provided within 14 days of

request, the Promoter shall require the panel of judges to select another winner.

17. The decision of the Promoter in all matters relating to this Competition is final and binding and no correspondence will be entered into.
18. The winner confirms their consent to publicise their name and country of residence.
19. The Promoter will not be liable for any loss (including financial loss) or damage caused to an entrant where that damage or loss is not reasonable foreseeable by either the Promoter or the entrant including where the loss or damage results from the Promoter's breach of these conditions. Nothing shall exclude the Promoter's liability for fraud or for death or personal injury caused by its negligence.
20. This Competition will be governed by the laws of England and Wales and any dispute will be subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of the English courts.
21. Details of the winner can be obtained by sending a SAE to the Promoter's address within 6 months of the Closing Date.