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THE DELEGATE



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If You Want To Change The World, BE The Change You Wish To See!!

We live in a generation adhering to the doctrine of utilitarianism, a generation that has stopped investing in human relationships and has solely focused on the pursuit of the material goods. However, if we are to create a *brave new world*, the world we all dream of, then we need to urgently and radically transform our society. We need to ask ourselves some tough questions and provide some honest answers. In brief, does the contemporary way of life satisfy our expectations? Are we really happy? If not, what has gone wrong? It is imperative that we reconsider the meaning of life.

To begin with, through the radical development of technology the modern society man has falsely created the impression that his advances can affirm his existence both mentally and emotionally; at the same time he is trying to examine the world, but from a mistaken angle; his approach is not the right one. Furthermore, he has focused on the speculation and the creation of numerous artificial necessities; but these have resulted in the destruction of the planet. People are being eliminated because of the poverty, the hunger and the wars that have hit humanity. The environment is being destroyed and the natural resources are being exhausted; the human race is living beyond its means, man is losing his dominant power over nature. To sum up, man has been solely tethered to his present, ignoring his past and depleting his future.

If you want to change the world, you have got to be the change you want to see. Faced with severe problems, society should be redefined and its people should fight for their ethos and morality. Moreover, humans have to introspect about their very existence; for this will lead them to self-awareness. Finally, it is of utmost importance that all individualities reiterate our role in the community.

To conclude, let us reiterate what a German poet once said: "Change the world, it needs it. And when you change it, change the already changed world". For only by constantly trying to improve the world to make it a better place to live do we stand a chance to redefine our future and preserve our very existence in a brave new world.

The MUN Press Team



3rd November, 2018 is ... Fountain Pen Day

There is something utterly elegant about hand-writing a document, about taking pen in hand and transferring the contents of our hearts and souls to paper. When working on something as dreary as the budget for the month or filling out paperwork, a ball-point pen will do.

When you are taken to record the most important moments of your life, or turning words into poetry, only the elegance of a Fountain Pen will do. Fountain Pen Day reminds us of this, and encourages us to pick up a fountain pen and put it our souls to paper.

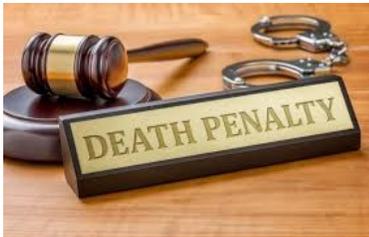
“My two fingers on a typewriter have never connected with my brain. My hand on a pen does. A fountain pen, of course. Ball-point pens are only good for filling out forms on a plane.”

Graham Greene

INTERESTING COMMITTEE ISSUES

1. The Death Penalty Issue

In our era, one of the most interesting and debatable issues is whether death should be a legal punishment or not. Many countries have abolished the death penalty whereas other nations still apply it on several occasions. The public opinion on the capital punishment varies considerably by country and by the crime in question. The most popular methods of execution is by shooting, hanging, electrocuting and injecting lethal drugs.



2. Kurdish People

Another intriguing subject is referring to the Kurdish people. The Kurds are on of the indigenous peoples of the Mesopotamian plains and the highlands in what are now south-eastern Turkey, north-eastern Syria, northern Iraq, north-western Iran and south-western

Armenia. As of now Turkey, Iraq and Syria have the worst attitude towards them regarding their rights.

Their main goal is to gain independence and establish their own state.



3. Nuclear War

An additional absorbing topic in the MUN is the one speaking about nuclear war. Nuclear warfare is a military conflict or political strategy in which nuclear weaponry is used to inflict damage on the enemy. So far only to nuclear weapons have been used in the course of warfare, both by the US against Japan in World War II. These deadly nuclear warheads are considered as weapons of mass destruction and because of that, many organisations and people are opposed to using them.

4. Global Warming

Global warming is the observed century-scale rise in the temperature of the Earth's climate system and its related effects, as a part of climate change. Even though it is doubted by many, there is compelling evidence that the climate system is warming. It was created by many causes and its effects are extremely harmful not only for the planet, but for the people too.



5. The Syrian War

The Syrian War is an ongoing multi-sided armed conflict in Syria fought between the Syrian Arab Republic, along with its allies, and various forces opposing both the government and each other in varying combinations. The war started in 2011, when people of Syria were discontent with the Assad government, and still continues to strike the Syrians. The conflict is being fought by several factions of Syria and countries each one with their own agendas making the war a very complicated one. The consequences are affecting the whole world with countless refugees and casualties making it the worst war in the 21st century.

How to be awarded 'best delegate'

All competitive MUNers share one goal and that is to be the best of the best in their committee.

Our guide will help every MUNer achieve their goal simply by following our tips below:

Overcome your fear of speaking in front of an audience; you can start gaining confidence by asking questions or by making strong amendment propositions.

ALWAYS be active: never miss the opportunity to express your opinion by taking the floor or to ask a question.

Make strong arguments when asking questions and when you take the floor be open to all questions so that you can show other delegates that, no matter how many questions you are asked, you can manage to answer all of them adequately.

Be the main submitter in your alliance; by doing so, you will demonstrate your leading skills as a MUN delegate but also you will inspire others with your confidence.

Be friendly and socialize with the other delegates in your committee; you will make friends and the environment in the committee will become friendlier, which will prevent you from getting stressed while talking.

Be yourself and have no doubt of your ideas; try to persuade others to believe in what you're suggesting; no matter what other delegates tell you in order to tear your argument down, don't budge on your views.

Research well on your topic and work hard to come up with a strong resolution that includes a lot of straightforward and easy to understand solutions, so that delegates are able to interpret your points.

Don't let another delegate change the subject when asking you a question. Provide an immediate brief answer and take the conversation back to the subject or inform the chairs that the question is out of subject.

Usually the best delegate is the main submitter of his alliance's resolution; but to become the main submitter you have to win arguments over other delegates who wish to be the main submitter too; you can achieve this goal by presenting clearly and elaborating your proposals and by perfectly shielding yourself from tricky questions.

For example:

Smart delegate: "The issue of nuclear security can be solved if we just work to educate the general population on the danger of nuclear weapons exploding."

Other delegate #1 that is preventing you from speaking more: "Don't most people know that nuclear bombs exploding are bad? How will educating the general population solve the underlying issue of nuclear security?"

Smart delegate: "Obviously we just need to tell NGOs to give their money towards buying more textbooks about nuclear security so that the population can read them and know why this topic is so important."

Other delegate #2 that doesn't follow your brilliance: "I'm pretty sure that we don't have the authority to use funding from NGOs. I think we can only make suggestions and encourage those organizations to use their funding on our solutions."

Smart delegate: "Exactly! This is why we need to create a new organization of experts from only a few countries here today in our committee that is designed to help us implement these complicated solutions."

Other delegate #1 continuing to prevent you from speaking again: "It doesn't sound like your solutions are going to actually solve the problem. It seems like your solution is to just have other people think about how to solve nuclear security."

Smart delegate: "No, you're missing my point. You see, if we had more education on nuclear security, then delegates like you would understand just how important it is to send textbooks to countries that really need to understand the complex issue of nuclear security. Let me explain the organization of experts we are creating that will help us solve this issue again! You'll then understand why everybody else here is listening to my brilliant plan."

The most important tip of all is to make sure you have an enjoyable and fruitful session in your committee!!

by Alexandros Rodopoulos

FAMOUS UNITED NATIONS

QUOTES

"Peace is not just a coloured ribbon. It's more than a wristband or a t-shirt. It's not just a donation or a 5 K race. It's not just a folk song, or a white dove. And peace is certainly more than a celebrity endorsement. Peace is a fulltime job. It's protecting civilians, overseeing elections, and disarming ex-combatants. The UN has over 100,000 Peacekeepers on the ground, in places others can't or won't go, doing things others can't or won't do. Peace, like war, must be waged."

-- [George Clooney](#)

HERE IS THE LATEST NEWS FROM BBC

@ World's longest DNA sequence decoded

@ Hawai top court approves controversial Thirty Meter Telescope

@ Parkinson's disease 'may' start in gut

ALL COMMITTEES IN SESSION!!

FAMOUS UN QUOTES

In a nutshell, this United Nations non-profit organization [World Food Programme] feeds millions of starving children at schools in third world countries as an incentive for them to attend school, which in turn might better their futures. They do so much more but I was so struck by this story.

-- [Sheryl Crow](#)

“If the United Nations once admits that international disputes can be settled by using force, then we will have destroyed the foundation of the organization and our best hope of establishing a world order.”

-- [Dwight D. Eisenhower](#)

The **LEGAL COMMITTEE** has voted and passed a resolution on uniform policies on digital currencies. It has also had a debate on negotiating with terrorists. The resolutions for negotiations failed.

The **SOCIAL CULTURAL AND HUMANITARIAN COMMITTEE** has passed the resolution on the violation of human rights in Philippines. It has also discussed the humanitarian crisis in Yemen.

The **SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE** has debated the majority of resolutions. There are many newcomers in this committee, but they engage and participate a lot. Some delegates tend to approach the topics with more philosophical way. All delegates are very active and energetic.

Most delegates are active in the **HISTORICAL CRISIS COMMITTEE**. The debate has been fruitful.

In the **YOUNG DELEGATES FORUM** the delegates have been more active than expected. They use the official language of the conference. Delegates have debated successfully and have proposed amazing amendments.

Albeit the fact that the **SECURITY COUNCIL** has started with some difficulties, it is running according to schedule. Lobbying with hesitant and unsure delegates, it has passed an improved version of their initial draft resolution.

The **HARRY POTTER CRISIS COMMITTEE** is at the Order of Phoenix and is having a meeting after seeing how active Voldemort has been lately. At the same time, some members are spies and are trying to disrupt the order's attempts. So far they have been successful! The order is losing ground as it has failed to stop the forces of evil from illegally trafficking potions and destroying a big building in Manchester. The suspicions are high and the

atmosphere is tense. The fingers are pointed at Arabella Figg, accusing her of being a traitor. Whose side is she really on? ...

At the **INTERNATIONAL COURT OF JUSTICE** the advocates initially delivered their impressive opening speeches and after the evidence was marked, the judges started analyzing it. After that they proceeded with the testimonies at the witnesses. Questions were raised by both the advocates and the judges and then, for about an hour, the judges had the chance to question the advocates. Then advocates delivered their closing speeches that will help the judges shape their view.

The **UNITED NATIONS ENVIRONMENTAL PROBLEM** committee has a lot of newcomers, so we were quite worried about delegates being awkwardly silent at first. To our surprise, everyone has been very active during lobbying and the debate has got heated. Most of our delegates are eager to attend more conferences in the future, which is very rewarding for us. The ideas communicated in the committee are brilliant while joking about them in the gossip box is even more enjoyable.

The **DISARMAMENT AND INTERNATIONAL SECURITY COMMITTEE** has lobbied on all topics and has debated two of the three resolutions, both of which have passed and it is currently debating on the last one.

The **ECOSOC** has debated upon 2 resolutions, having successfully passed one of them. Moreover, it has already introduced 3 amendments and the delegates seem to be extremely thrilled for the opportunity to operate as diplomats.

In the **African Union** countless hours of preparation have resulted in a very intense and fruitful debate that has consisted of many ups and downs, fighting for the sake of African leaders and their country's future.

Where is your necktie, Mister?

Did you know that wearing a necktie is mandatory at the MUN conferences? In several conferences, delegates who don't wear one are not allowed to take the floor and deliver a speech. Have you ever occurred to you that in fact there is a reason why men in power have worn ties throughout history? So, why is such a piece of clothing so important?

The original purpose of the necktie was to tighten the collar so that no cold air would come to the torso and in some extreme cases, way back in history, slaves used to wear them so that they could be identified by their masters.

Nowadays, however, things differ. Wearing a tie shows elegance and professionalism. A person of significant importance (with a necktie) usually draws all the attention and gets respect, while he takes his menswear to the next level, a reason why men in power have always worn them throughout history. In other words, men look more powerful, when a necktie completes their appearance.

Furthermore, neckties can give us a unique look into a guy's personality. Men often use their ties as a mean of expressing who they truly are in a 'formal' way. There are several types of neckties, like bowties (the western ones are just incredible), bolo ties, neckerchiefs etc. with cartoons, witty messages on them, patterns and bold colors. Neckties are basically just like the 'frosting' of a man's suit and without them everyone would look just the same. Finally, let's all admit it; they do a great job hiding those terribly unsightly buttons of the shirt!



by Joanna Flessa

“When the power of love overcomes the love for power, only then will the world know peace.” -Jimi Hendrix

How to be the best dressed female delegate



When it comes to MUN fashion, all delegates are expected to dress in professional attire. This means that everyone must respect the dress code of the conference, which applies to both male and female delegates. Despite the need for formality, the choice is for every delegate to make.

The objective of this article is to help female delegates pick out the best outfit by displaying some key rules and tips. First of all, all female delegates are advised to follow the dress code of the conference; this includes a dress or a suit. A suit is a traditional three-piece outfit which consists of a pair of formal pants or a skirt, a top and a blazer usually combined with dark shoes. If you're opting for a suit, make sure that the blazer is comfortable enough so that you can move your arms. If you opt for a skirt or dress, it is very important that you adhere to knee length, due to the professional environment of the conference. As for tops, although we all know that button-down shirts are the most appropriate, don't be discouraged to try other types as well.

Furthermore, many delegates believe that they need to buy designer clothes to be the best dressed of the committee. Of course that's not true because you can all find clothes as formal as the expensive ones at stores like Zara and H&M. Either way, the best option is to pick out clothes

which bring out your natural body shape and fit you right. As to accessories, I suggest that, apart from other jewellery, every delegate wears a watch because time flies in a committee.

Another very important issue is that in every MUN conference female delegates choose to wear high heels, regardless of the fact that the conference requires a large amount of walking. My best advice to every girl that wears high heels is to have a second pair with them, that is to say a pair of flat shoes. Also, if you've never worn high heels before, try them out a few weeks before the conference and wear them around the house with thick socks to loosen them up.

Moreover, do not forget that colors are very important. On the first day of the conference choose a sky blue piece of clothing to invoke feelings of safety and trust. On the second day, go for a yellow skirt or dress to show feelings of joy and optimism or try to wear a red dress or a pair of red heels, which reveal power and passion. On the last day, opt for a green or lavender top to relax the environment of the committee.

Lastly, the most important is that you must be confident about yourself and remember that you don't have to be afraid to be different.

I hope that you will find these tips interesting and useful!

by Diamantenia Panagiotopoulou

POETRY CORNER

Mindfulness

Surrounded by people, yet all alone
We keep them away from our miseries
Out of our comfort zone.

Your throat feels like it's closing
And your legs feel kind of weak
Social Anxiety, Depression
It's time for you to speak

It's difficult to pretend you're happy
That's why you should not
Show your true feelings
It will help you a lot.

Nature

Nature ,
the mother of everyone
and everything .
She takes care of us
she respects us and helps us .
With her green ,her trees ,her children.
Nature,
The most abused element in the world
and the most charming of all.
But she doesn't complain
she doesn't argue
she doesn't even talk.
She just watches.
But what happens when she can't
take it anymore?

INTRODUCING THE 4TH ATSMUN

COMMITTEES (PART I)

HPCC

1978. First Wizarding War. Lord Voldemort has risen. Death-eaters create chaos. The Ministry calls a secret meeting between the Minister, her Deputy and the Order of the Phoenix. The goal is to catch Lord Voldemort and stop his Death-Eaters. The HPCC committee is going to be discussing with its fellow wizards ways to stop the war and protect the Muggle community. The wizarding world must not be exposed!

African Union

The African Union is a continental union consisting of all 55 countries on the continent of Africa, extending slightly into geographical Asia. It was established on 26 May 2001 in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia and launched on 9 July 2002 in South Africa with the aim of replacing the Organization of African Unity. In this year's ATSMUN, the political crisis in Zimbabwe, the combating governmental corruption in Africa and the blue economy and sustainable development in the African Continent are the main three matters that require solution.

HCC

The revolutionary movement that shook France between 1787 and 1799 was one of the few times in modern history where ordinary people successfully rose up against their monarch and demanded economic and political Liberty, fought for Equality and were united in Fraternity. Because of the extremely difficult financial problems France dealt with, peasants faced adversity and as result they decided to revolt in the summer of 1789. But it wasn't until 1792 that the First French Republic has been declared and the leaders of the nations of Europe have met to resolve this crisis and stabilize the region.



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HUMANS OF ATSMUN



Eva Alexandrou

Favourite quote: Diplomacy is the ability to tell someone to go to hell in such a way that they actually look forward to the trip
Advice to delegates: Be active and try to participate as much as possible without worrying about not being correct
Role model: Barack Obama

Anna Giapitzi-Papandreou

Favourite quote: Happiness can be found even in the darkest of times if only one remembers to turn on the light
Advice to delegates: Never give up even if you fall, you have to get up and go on to achieve your goal
Role model: I do not have a role model, I am just trying to be the best version of myself
One person I would like to spend the day with: Kofi



Giorgos Stouraitis

Favourite quote: Opinions are like anuses in that everybody has one.
Advice: Do your research.
Role model: Bertrand Russe
One person I would like to spend the day with: Ludwig Wittgenstein

Eleftheria Arkadopoulou

Favourite quote: Keep your standards and heels high-Coco Chanel
Advice: Feel free to express yourselves
Role model: You should be your own role model
One person I would like to spend the day with: Kim Jong Un



Themistocles Vasileiou

Favourite quote: The constitution grants you the right to pursue happiness. The way you find it is up to you.
Advice: MUN is not about passing resolutions and making statement. It's about taking the step forward to give the policies you are implementing a meaning
Role model: John Stuart
One person I would like to spend the day with: Roger Waters

Ellie Apostolopoulou

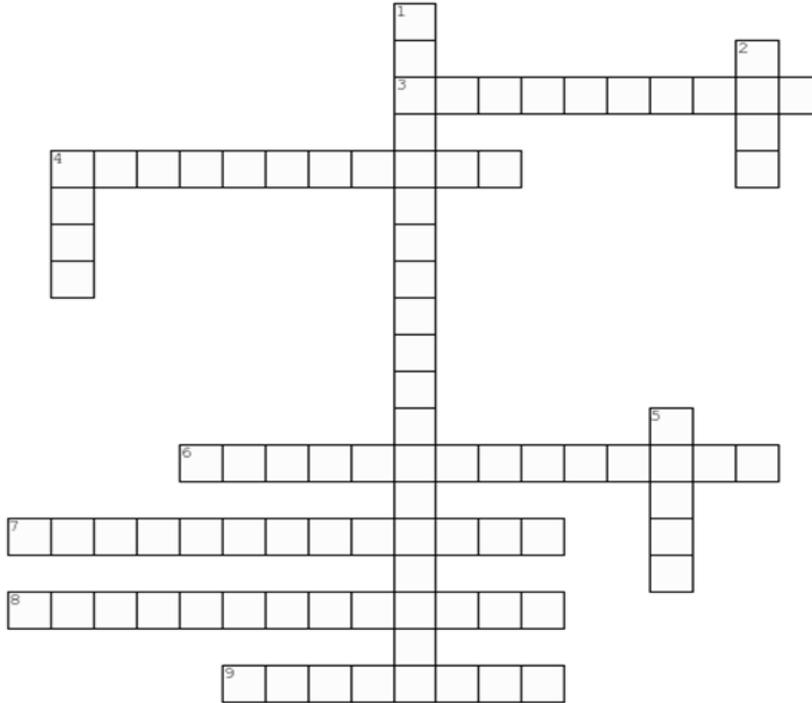
Favourite quote: Don't talk-act, don't say-show, don't promise-prove
Role model: Michelle Obama
One person I would like to spend the day with: Bella Hadid



SNAPSHOT TIME!



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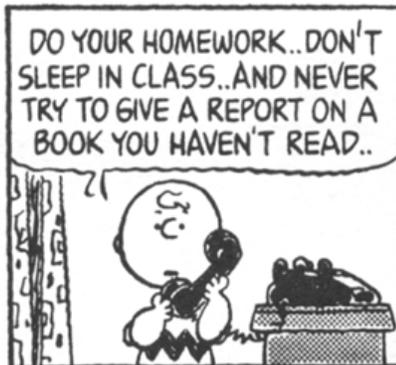
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3. Who was elected as the first UN Secretary-General?
4. What did the UN win in 2001?
6. Where was the UN formulated and negotiated? (two words)
7. Name one of the four major powers of the UN in the 30's and still is?
8. Where was the UN charter drafted? (two words)
9. Where are the headquarters of the UN? (two words)

Down

1. What is the UN subject to?
2. How many principal organs does the UN have?
4. How many Secretaries-Generals does the UN have?
5. Where is the International Court of Justice located?

PEANUTS®



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Answers: