

Around the World in 80 Minutes

On behalf of CEO Robsleet Winter of Stratospheric Travel, I congratulate you on being selected for the Around the World in 80 Minutes challenge! You and your team have Round the World tickets, which will allow you to circumnavigate the globe until you make it back to Arkansas. Your task is to visit a collection of cities and towns, each of which is on a different continent, and do so before the timer runs out.

Here's the catch: while on each continent, your team must also answer 7 questions. There are two versions of each question: one is trivia and tests your knowledge of the city or town, while the other is a puzzle. For any given question, both versions lead to the same answer. Some of the answers are words, while other answers are numbers.

Every question is worth 2 points, and there is *no penalty* for guessing. If the answer to a question is a word, Mr. Winter will give your team 2 points only if you answer with the exact word (he'll be lenient with minor spelling errors). Some questions give you the number of letters in the correct word as a hint. Meanwhile, if the answer to a question is a number, Mr. Winter will give you 1 point if your answer is close and 2 points if your answer is exact. Keep in mind that correctly solving the puzzle will always give you the exact answer to any question, although doing so will likely take longer than answering trivia.

After traveling through all 7 continents, you'll go to a mysterious 8th continent where you'll answer one question that makes use of your answers to earlier questions. This final question is worth 14 points.

Mr. Winter expects all of you to do well on this challenge. If your team doesn't score to his satisfaction, he'll make you pay for the Round the World tickets with your own money. But if your team scores high, Mr. Winter will give each of your team members \$1 million*!

Good luck and bon voyage.

*Refers to one million Zimbabwe dollars