



The Next Bill Gates Competition Terms and Conditions

1. This competition is open to UK residents. No bulk applications or applications submitted by agents will be accepted. XMA reserves the right to verify the eligibility of applicants. XMA may require such information as it considers reasonably necessary for the purpose of verifying the eligibility of an application and the prize may be withheld until and unless XMA is satisfied with the verification.
2. Only one application per person is allowed. Applications not complying with these terms and conditions will be invalid.
3. Applicants must provide proof of applying for 2010 undergraduate university courses (UK universities only) in the subject areas of IT and/or business in the form of a photocopy of a letter from UCAS. The copy can either be posted to: The Bill Gates Competition, Marketing Department, XMA Limited, Ruddington Lane, Wilford, Nottingham, NG11 7EP or it can be emailed to xma.marketing@xma.co.uk.
4. Applications are acceptable in the form of one minute video applications or the completion of an online form at www.thenextbillgates.co.uk. No other form of application will be accepted.
5. One reference must be submitted with an application, which can be either posted to the address above or emailed to the email address above. References must be from a tutor or former employer.
6. Closing date for applications is 30th April 2010. Applications received after this date will not be entered into either the prize draw or competition.
7. The instructions provided at the point of application form part of the terms & conditions of this competition and in the event of a conflict, these terms & conditions take precedence.
8. The winner will be selected by a panel of judges based on the content of their application. The prize is awarded conditionally upon acceptance and if a winner is unable to be contacted after a reasonable period or if any prize is unclaimed or declined within a reasonable period, the prize shall be deemed as unclaimed or unaccepted and a supplementary winner may be selected at XMA's discretion.
9. Winners will be notified by telephone or email and winners names will be announced at the CPC empowered exhibition on 5th May 2010.
10. All finalists must be available to attend an interview at XMA's head office in Nottingham in March (final date to be confirmed). Travel will be arranged and costs covered by XMA.
11. XMA and Toshiba will not be responsible for any inability of a prize winner to take up the specified prize.
12. XMA and Toshiba assume no responsibility and are not liable for any costs, charges or expenses which winners may be required to pay at any time in connection with the Prize.
13. XMA reserves the right to provide substitute prize(s) of similar value should the specified prize(s) become unavailable for reasons beyond its control. Cash or credit alternatives will not be offered. None of the prizes are transferable.
14. XMA and Toshiba accept no responsibility for incorrectly completed, lost or delayed applications, notices, acceptances, tickets or other documents related to the Prize(s).
15. If any provision of these terms and conditions is held invalid by any law, rule, order or regulation of any government, or by the final determination of any court of a competent jurisdiction, such invalidity shall not affect the enforceability of any other provisions not held to be invalid.
16. The winner(s) may be required to participate in publicity connected with this competition and it is a condition of application that the winner(s) agree to their name and county of residence being made publicly available if they win. By entering this competition you agree to appear in any publicity associated with this competition. Whilst the copyright of your video will remain yours, you agree that XMA can use the video on its website(s) and for any publicity around this competition. The copyright of your word application remain yours, however you agree that the words can be used by XMA for any use to do with this competition.
17. The names of the major winner(s) may be obtained by sending a signed handwritten request along with a stamped self-addressed envelope detailing your request to the Marketing Team, XMA Limited, Wilford Industrial Estate, Ruddington Lane, Wilford, Nottingham, NG11 7EP, and marked with the name of the competition.
18. Applicants' data will be collected, stored and processed for the purposes of administering and assessing this competition.
19. XMA's decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into.

20. XMA reserves the right to suspend, cancel or amend the competition and/or review and revise these terms and conditions at any time without giving prior notice and by continuing to take part in the competition subsequent to any revision of these terms and conditions, applicants shall be deemed to have agreed to any such new or amended terms.
21. This competition is governed by English Law and is subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of the English courts.
22. The promoter of this competition is XMA Limited, Wilford Industrial Estate, Ruddington Lane, Wilford, Nottingham, NG11 7EP.

The Prize

23. University tuition fees will be paid directly from XMA via a cheque at the start of the academic year by 1st September 2010. The value of the student's fees will be in line with standard fees requirements set out by the government in 2010. The amount XMA will pay will not exceed £3,225 (based on 2009 – 2010 rates). If the tuition fees are higher than this amount, the individual will be liable for the additional cost.
24. If the applicant does not pay tuition fees due to government grants then payment will be made towards the accommodation and/or university expenses in the form of cheques.
25. If the student lives at home and no accommodation payments are required then the applicant must retain receipts of university expenses which XMA will pay. The expenses XMA will accept are below. Receipts would be required in all instances:
 - Books,
 - Travel rail cards,
 - Stationary
26. XMA will not pay for any costs associated with university living except for accommodation e.g. food and drink are not covered.
27. The maximum amount the winner can claim through expenses will be £3,225. Payment will be made as necessary upon valid receipts being presented.
28. If the winner does not spend £3,225 in their first academic year, the remaining amount of prize money will not be carried forward to the next academic year and XMA will not pay any further amounts.
29. A Toshiba laptop will also be given on the 1st September 2010.
30. XMA accept no liability for any repair costs for the laptop once it has been given to the student.
31. XMA reserve the right to withdraw the prize money at any given time.
32. If the student chooses to withdraw from the higher education course without completing the full academic year then all outstanding fees must be refunded to XMA. Failure to do so could lead to court proceedings.