



Frequently Asked Questions

Q: How long will it take to play the game?

A: The game will take between 30 and 40 minutes to complete.

Q: Can I still enter if I am electively home educated?

A: yes, anyone between the ages of 11-17 years of age who resides within the UK can enter the Matrix Challenge 2020

Q: How old do I have to be to qualify for the Final?

A: You have to be between the ages of 11-17 to qualify for the semi-final and grand final.

Q: What do I need to play the game when it goes live on 20th January 2020?

A: To play the game you will need a computer or laptop ideally running the Google Chrome web browser. You will need a valid email address, your date of birth and your school postcode (home if electively home educated)

Q: Do the police need to come to my school to enable me to play the game?

A: Not at all. The game can be run by your teacher as a classroom session, or even set as homework. If your school is not able to do this you could also do it at home in your own time. Anyone between the ages of 11-17, residing in the UK can enter the game.

Q: What happens if I get a good score in the online game?

A: if you are within the top 40 entries in your region you will be invited to an activity day or semi-final where the top 3; from both age categories, will be invited to take part in the grand final on the 4th July 2020.

Q: What will I need to know to complete the Matrix Challenge online game?

A: The online challenge has 5 main components and a quiz at the end:

1. Prevent – selection of questions on the computer misuse act
2. Protect – Selection of questions on staying safe online
3. A code break / cipher to crack
4. A Steganography challenge
5. Find the fault in a code script
6. A timed cyber quiz

All 11-17 year olds who reside in the United Kingdom are eligible to enter. The game is designed to be enjoyed by all ages and abilities from those eligible to play.

For more information and downloadable resources, please go to www.matrix-challenge.uk

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