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Key definitions: cracked = genius; chopped = not attractive; Chotta Bheem = main character from an Indian kids' TV show; Bindu Mashi = Indian Karen Aunty; Math Kangaroo = math competition that RSM students take.

## The Indian Parent Handbook to Guide Your Student to Success in RSM

Understatement

Hyperbole

Irony (Situational, Verbal)

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To all Indian parents who have recently enrolled their child in the Russian School of Mathematics: this handbook will help you guide your child on their new journey as an RSM student. This is not a huge accomplishment, as every single child of Indian descent goes to RSM. However, not all of them do well. To ensure their success, this handbook will cover every scenario possible and the appropriate steps to lead your child to IMO.

\*\*\*Note: If your child is a part of the naive Kumon alumni, ignore this brochure, as your child has already fallen behind in life.

1. Prior to your child's enrollment in RSM, they will take the renowned, monumental placement test. It is critical that they ace this test and place at a minimum in the highest

level, which should come naturally to them anyway. After all, they're here to show up all the other family friends' kids and make it known that they are the best and brightest.

Ideally, of course, they should be skipping a grade or two or three in RSM. Otherwise, say goodbye to MIT. Some steps to set your child up for greatness are:

- a. Force them to do Brain Quest practice problems during breakfast, lunch, AND dinner. This will cram all major math formulas into their small brains.
- b. Choose your child's friends wisely. Ensure they are only friends with kids at their school who are cracked, so they can feel motivated to study harder. If your child is already the smartest at school (which they should easily be), have them talk to their intellectually gifted cousin for tips on their MAMS application.
- c. In the car ride to the placement test, give your child lectures on how if they fail the placement test, they are destined to be a McDonald's employee for life.

2. After your child has successfully taken the placement test and been enrolled in RSM, they may face one of the most common scenarios on their first day: crying due to fear of the Russian teachers. But fret not, this is easy to cure if you follow the steps below.

\*\*\*Note: If your child is one of the 5% who don't cry, then SABASH! They will definitely get into Harvard ED (now, Bindu Mashi will see them in high regard and may ask you for parenting advice).

- a. Replicate the tone and composure of the RSM teachers at home, so that your child can quickly get used to it.
- b. Do not keep quiet. Feel free to yell at multiple decibel levels in order to control your child and restrain them from turning into a real-life donkey. However, if they do, at least then you can sell them for their limited brain power.
- c. If none of the above options have cured your child yet of this sign of weakness, you can fall back to the oldest trick in the book: "Quit crying or else I'll give you something to cry about."

3. Since your child MUST have taken Math Kangaroo (if they haven't, unemployment is the path for them), then they should surely appear on the grand, coveted, sticky-to-touch, Math Kangaroo posters that decorate the RSM walls in rows. Make sure your child is the first picture on the list, and submit a picture where they look slightly chopped, in order to ensure they look studious and only pay attention to their studies. Some steps to ensure this occurs next time if your child failed to be first this year are:

- a. Put pictures of kangaroos around their childhood bedroom to encourage them to leap for greatness.
- b. Sit in on their RSM classes with them to verify that your child is raising their hand for every question. Participation is the foundation of their active learning and Math Kangaroo placement.
- c. Have your child record every RSM class with their yellow, chubby, Chhota Bheem watch that almost falls off their wrist (they are not allowed to have a phone). That way, you can play the recordings all night while they sleep so that their brain fully digests the information.

Above all, the best way to help your child excel in RSM and life beyond is to pray for it. Ensure your child visits the temple before every RSM exam. For example, when your child is taking SAT classes at RSM, heed the words of Doctor Vishwakumar: "Pray for Princeton and not stupid things like world peace." Force your child to prioritize the SAT in front of gods instead of their childish wishes. You never know, your child's RSM SAT practice test scores could easily become reality. We hope this handbook has helped you make the right choices for your child's success in RSM. Don't wait to reach out with any questions.

Best wishes,

The RSM Team