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CODE. CREATE. COMPETE.

***BUG
BUSTERS***

RULE BOOK

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ABOUT THE EVENT

Bug Busters turns the tables – you don't write code, you fix it. Participants receive five deliberately broken programs. Each contains one (or two, for the final one) subtle bug. The mission is to correct the bug with the smallest possible change.

REQUIREMENTS

- Laptop or desktop
- Stable internet
- Codeforces account
- Discord
- Programs are provided in C++ and/or Python; you may submit in the same language

MODULE FORMAT

- Mode: Individual
- Duration: 45 minutes
- Platform: Private Codeforces contest with a custom diff-checker
- Five buggy source files are distributed at the start
- For each file, submit a corrected version

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SCORING SYSTEM

Ranking by number of fully fixed programs (all test cases passed).

Ties are broken by:

- Lower total penalty time
- Earlier time of last accepted fix

Penalty: +10 minutes per incorrect submission on problems that are eventually fixed.

An “incorrect submission” includes fixes that fail test cases or exceed the allowed change limit (see Rules).

RULES & REGULATIONS

- Minimal fix rule: Your submitted code must differ from the original by at most 10 lines. The platform will automatically reject larger rewrites.
- Fix the bug, not the whole program
- No collaboration, no AI tools, no copying the code into external tools
- Only language documentation and personal notes allowed





PENALTIES & TIE-BREAKERS

- Submissions that exceed the diff limit are treated as wrong answers (penalised)
- Disqualification: using AI, sharing fixes, multiple accounts

RECOGNITION

- Bug Busters Champion – 1st place
- Best Debugger Award – participant who fixes all five programs with the fewest incorrect submissions

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