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RAYAT GROUP OF INSTITUTIONS ROPAR CAMPUS, PUNJAB

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About Rayat Group of Institutions



Rayat Group of Institutions, Ropar campus is considered among the top educational groups in Punjab, India - one of the largest group of institutions, established in 2001, under the leadership of its Chairman, S. Nirmal Singh Rayat. Since its inception, Rayat Group of Institutions, has offered various undergraduate and postgraduate programs and has been a pioneer in the field of education, which is why it is listed among the top colleges in Punjab. Rayat Group of Institutions, has prolifically grown in every area and has since extended to a number of institutes including Engineering, Management, Education, Pharmacy, Law, to name a few.



About THE COLLEGE

Rayat College of Law, established in 2004, is housed in an independent building at the Rayat Group of Institutions Ropar Campus.

The College is affiliated to Panjab University,

Chandigarh, and the courses are approved by the Bar Council of India. Equipped with infrastructure including Moot Court, state-of-the-art Library and Computer Lab with 24 hours internet facility and a fully functional Wi-Fi Campus, the College provides an excellent environment for learning and holistic development. With an aim to instil an ability in our students to develop core competencies that are essential to embark on the practice of law, we lay emphasis on practical training. Young legal minds at our college are provided with a multitude of opportunities including moot court competitions, client counselling, seminars, court visits, and expert lectures by authorities on Law and social sciences to ensure all-round growth and exposure. Rayat College of Law has already successfully carved a niche for itself in the field of legal education.

From the Principals Desk

The campus, Rayat College of Law, established in the year 2004, is housed in an independent building at the Rayat Group of Institutions- Ropar Campus. The College has a renowned name in the field of law education. In addition to quality studies, RCL is widely acknowledged for its modern and state-of-the-art infrastructure that includes hostels, canteen and mess, medical care centre, library, Wi-Fi Campus, and playgrounds. Over the years, the college has proved its mettle and today, it stands out one of the best in India. RCL provides its students with ample extracurricular activities. This well thought-out strategy of the college authorities yields multifarious benefits. It brings out the hidden talent of students, boosts interdisciplinary interaction and confidence, generates awareness and a sense of competition as also responsibility among students. National Moot Court Competitions are annually held in the RCL to give realistic exposure to law students. Three programs are being offered by the college (I) B.A.LL.B. (Hons.) (II) B.Com. LLB. (Hons.) (III) LL.B (3 year) . RCL focuses on catering to the corporate. RCL students have been bringing laurels to the college by bagging top positions in Panjab University Examinations, as well as extra-curriculum activities and sports thanks to the supportive atmosphere at the college that acts as a catalyst to inspire students to strive for excellence.



Dr. Monika Sharma
Principal

From the Faculty Coordinator



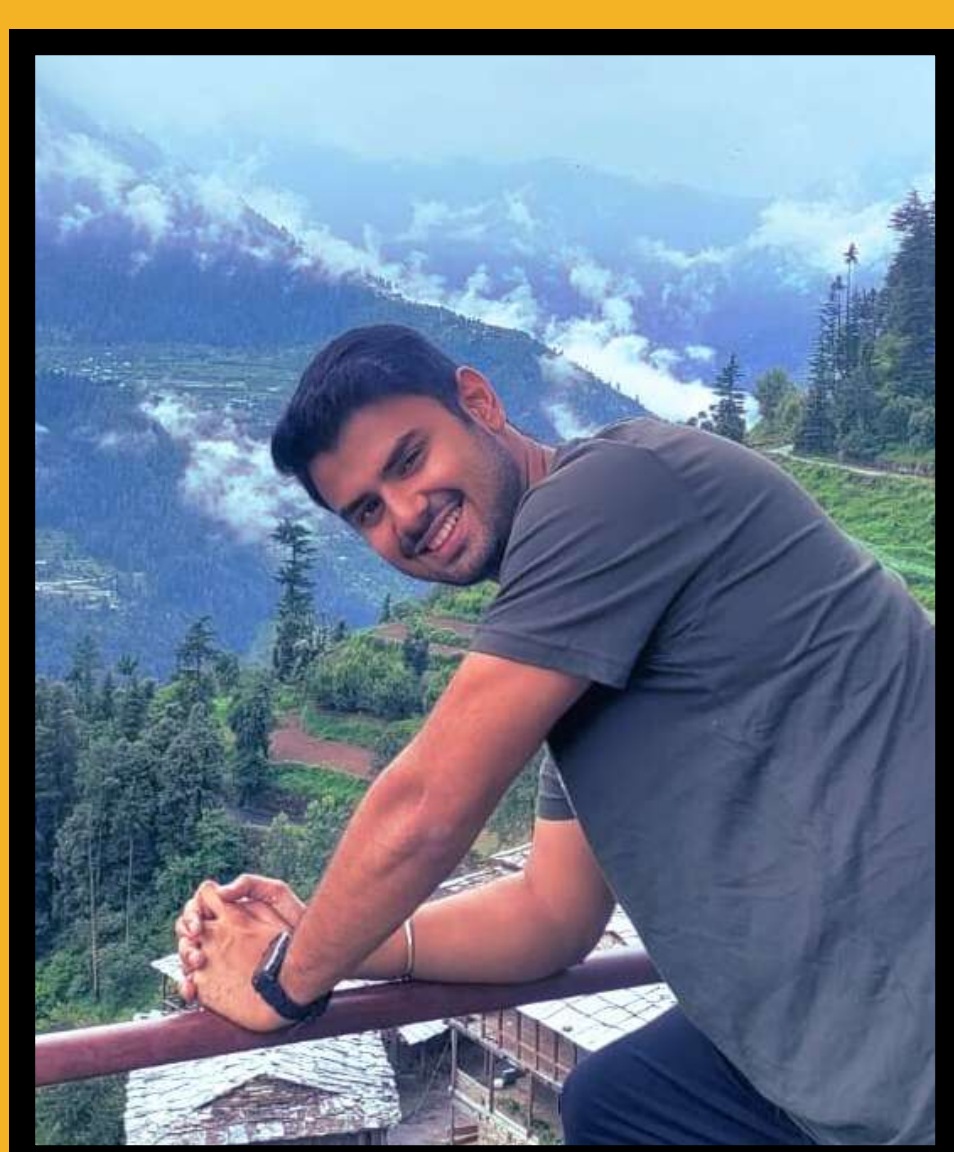
Dr. Manish Kumar
Dean Academics
Associate Professor

Furthering the vision of Rayat College of Law, the RCL Literary Society provides platform to young minds to imbue critical thinking and hone communication skills. The Society exhorts young mavericks from colleges and universities to come and rock the podium in National Debate Championship on 19-20 October, 2023.

From the Society Members

In the words of Barack Obama, "Change will not come if we wait for some other person or some other time. We are the one's we've been waiting for. We are the change that we seek." It is our greatest privilege to be able to welcome you all to the first ever National Debate Championship being organized by literary society of Rayat College Of Law.

True to our Motto "Dubito, Ergo, Cogito, Ergo Sum.- I doubt therefore I think therefore I am. We look forward to seeing you!



Vrind Bhardwaj
General Secretary



Bismmeet Kaur
President



Urvashi
Vice President

About The Society

The Literary Society at Rayat College of Law is a new, premier organization that encourages healthy and meaningful discourse by actively engaging in debates and public speaking events. In a world where there is an ever rising need of sharing ideas, opinions and encouraging discussion, actively shaping young minds to be articulate in their thoughts is the need of the hour. We endeavour to mould, promote and produce some of the finest minds across industry, politics, and academia.

In the kind of world we live in today, developing speaking skills is of utmost importance. The ability to articulate one's thoughts and ideas goes a very long way in every walk of life. By encouraging young students who will soon step out into the legal arena, we endeavour to instil in them a spirit of fair competition, dignity and integrity. Not only will the young minds of our generation hone an indispensable skill, they will strive to be better, more hardworking individuals in everyday life.

Members of the Society

The society comprises undergraduate students with the Faculty Advisor acting as the head of the society. This structure helps us excel in the fields of participation and event organization.

President	Bismmeet Kaur
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Public Relation Officers	Gautam Vohra Sanchit Bhardwaj Sidakpal Singh Prateek Chaddha Sudha Sharma
Faculty Advisors	Dr. Manish Kumar Dr. Mumtaz Zabeen



Organising Team

Event Conveners	Bismmeet Kaur Urvashi
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Teacher Coordinators	Dr. Manish Kumar Dr. Akashdeep Singh Dr. Mumtaz Zabeen

TOPIC FOR THE DEBATE



THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA SHOULD LEGALISE ALL OR NEARLY ALL OF ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING IN THE COUNTRY:

- 1. Marijuana**
- 2. Prostitution**
- 3. Physician Assisted Suicide**
- 4. Sale of Human Organs**

*** About The Event ***

Team Composition

- All participating colleges/ universities/ institutes must nominate a team comprising of two members each.
- Each team must consist of two participants: speaker one and speaker two.
- One observer may be allowed to accompany the teams but no certificate shall be provided for the same.

Structure of the competition

- The competition will be a cross questioning debate and will be held in the 4 rounds:
- Qualifier round; quarter-final; semi-final, finals.
- The first round will be of 40 minutes, Second & Third rounds will be of 60 minutes each, and the last round will last for a total of 80 minutes.
- The format for the debate for all round other than the final round will be as follows:
- Each speaker will be given a total of 5 minutes in 1st round and 6 minutes in 2nd & 3rd round to present their constructive argument followed by a round of cross questioning by the opposite team.
- Each cross-questioning round will last for a total of 2 minutes in 1st round and 4 minutes in 2nd & 3rd round and will take place after each constructive argument
- After presentation of arguments by both speakers of affirmative and negative side, round of rebuttal from the sides will take place for time of period of 1 minute in 1st round and 3 minutes in 2nd & 3rd round .
- Followed by the rebuttal round, a semi- moderated open cross questioning, round will take place for a total of 10 minutes and 14 minutes .



• What is cross examination 🔍

Cross-ex, short for cross-examination, is a period of time between speeches where opponents ask each other questions to clarify and better understand each other's case (and, if all goes well, an important concession for you to win the debate).

Ultimately, you can think of cross-ex as another speech, except instead of continuous talking, you actually engage with your opponent. During this time, you are given the opportunity to demonstrate confidence and credibility that will allow you to become a more persuasive speaker and help you win speaker points.

Purpose of the Debate 🔍

The purpose of scholastic debate is to train the student to analyse a problem, conduct thorough and relevant research, and utilize principles of argumentation and advocacy in orally presenting the most effective case for or against a given proposition. Debate provides invaluable training in critical thinking, quick responses, defending worthy ideas and attacking invalid ideas. It teaches the student to tolerate other points of view. Debate exists only in democratic societies, and no democratic society can exist without debate.



The Propositions 🔍

Topics will be stated in the form of a proposition. The proposition is always stated as a change from the status quo.

Synopsis of Examination

Like other forms of debate, cross-examination (C-X or Policy) debate focuses on the core elements of a controversial issue. Cross-examination debate develops important skills, such as critical thinking, listening, argument construction, research, note-taking and advocacy skills.

Cross-examination debate is distinct from other formats, with the exception of parliamentary debate, in its use of a two-person team. Cross-examination debate also places emphasis on questioning or cross-examination between speeches. While specific practices vary, cross-examination debate typically rewards intensive use of evidence, and is focused on content and delivery.

Structure of Debate

- Cross-examination (Policy) debate involves two teams, each consisting of two people. One team takes the affirmative position and is responsible for defending and supporting the resolution. The other team takes the negative and is responsible for refuting the affirmative, which may be done in a variety of strategic ways.
- The affirmative team is responsible for the initial interpretation of the resolution, and for presenting a case that defends and supports the resolution. The negative team may challenge this interpretation if they believe the affirmative team's interpretation is unreasonable.

Guidelines For Preparation



The topic for Cross-Examination (Policy) Debate is typically called a "resolution" or "proposition." Different types of propositions may be used in a Cross-Examination (Policy) Debate, but policy propositions tend to be the most common.

So that clash might occur in a debate, debaters should engage in research on both sides of the topic. Research is primarily the job of debaters.

Arguing for the Resolution

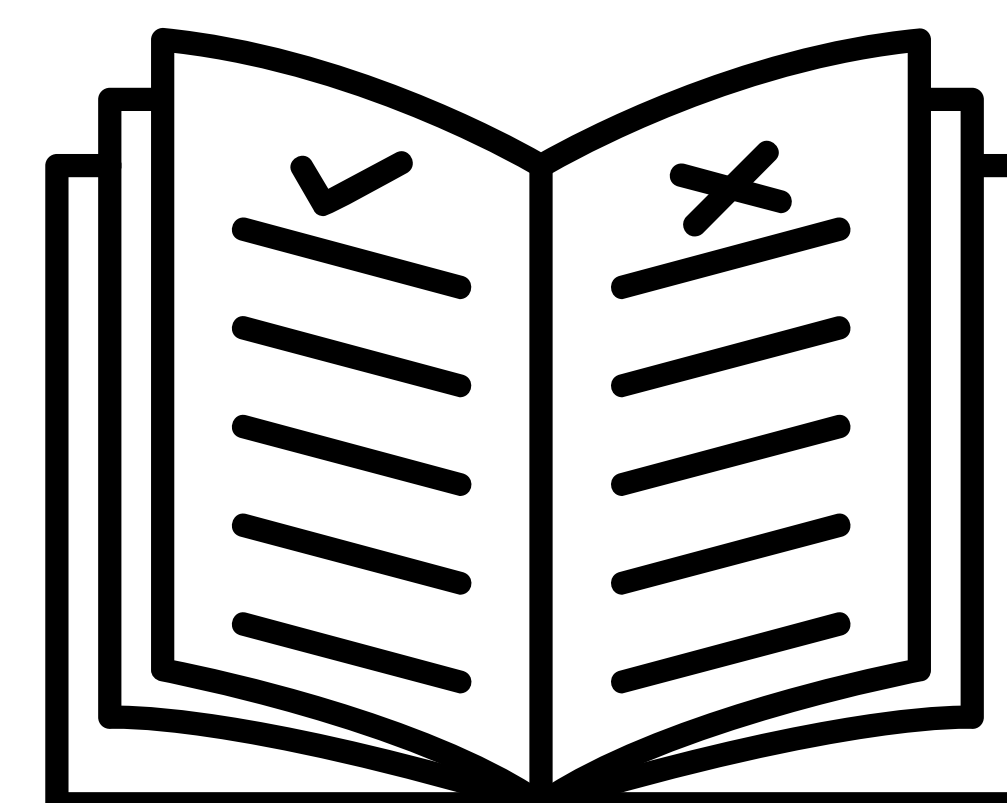
The objective of the affirmative team is to construct and present a case that defends and supports the resolution. An adequate case (one that meets a certain burden of proof) depends on what type of proposition is debated. Individual topics and tournaments determine what burden is required.

Arguing against the Resolution

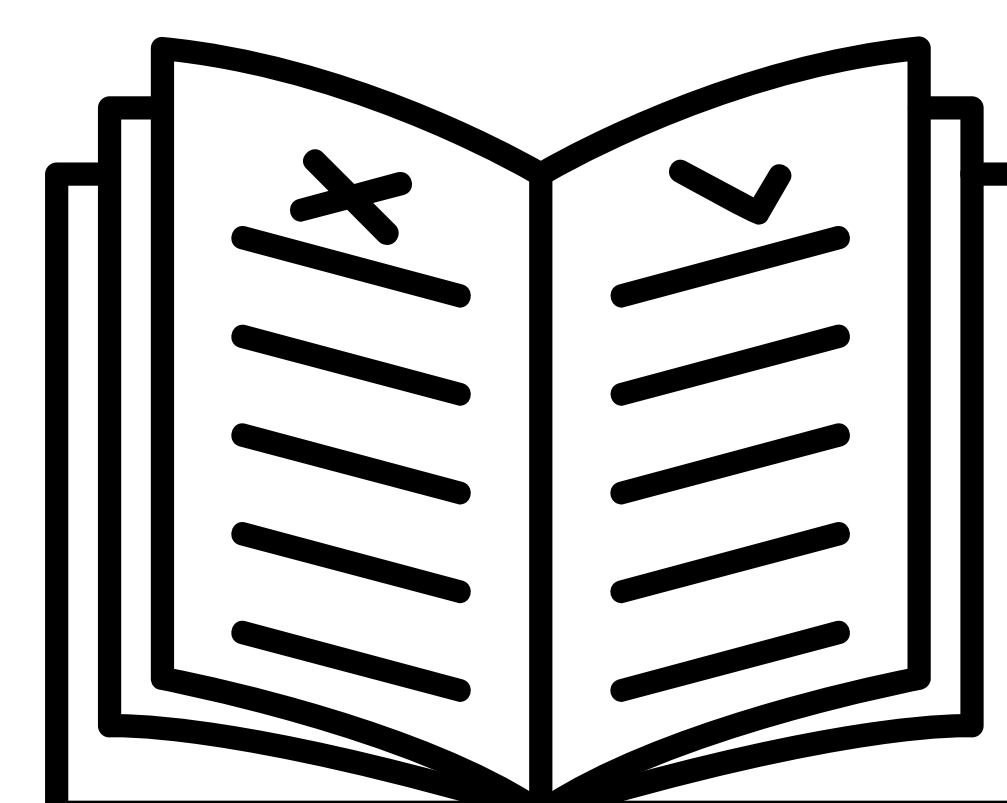
The objective of the negative team is to refute the affirmative case, which, by extension, is an argument against the resolution. Depending on the topic and the type of proposition, the negative may have a variety of possible strategies available when refuting the affirmative case.

Do's and don'ts of questioning

• Do's



1. Keep your questions argumentative.
2. Ask relatively short questions.
3. Reference speeches in your questions. This keeps questions focused on relevant material in the debate as well as avoid broad questions that allow your opponents to give vague answers that don't give you any advantage.
4. Make sure you fully understand arguments before moving on.
5. Keep your eyes on the judge.



• Don'ts

1. Start questions with "Do you agree..." or "Are you aware..."
2. Re-explain things that are already clear. This wastes time for both you and your opponents.
3. Look at your opponent when asking questions. You should always keep your eyes on the judge.

The Do's and Don'ts of Answering

Do:

1. Keep your answers short and sweet.
2. Be specific to the question. Don't give them any more information than they need.
3. Reference authors from the 1AC. Not only will this help you answer questions effectively, but this also shows the judge that you know your speech inside and out, which boosts speaker points.
4. Stare at the judge for attention.

Don't:

1. Answer irrelevant questions. (You can ask your opponents why a question is relevant before declining to answer.)
2. Interrupt your partner if they're answering a question.
3. Be afraid to admit you don't know something. If your opponent asks you something that both you and your partner don't know, it's better to admit you don't know than to lie about it. You can always argue later that it's not an important element of the debate anyways.

* Rules and Regulations *

The format for the final round will be as follows:

- Each speaker will be given a total of 8 minutes to present their constructive argument followed by a round of cross- questioning by the opposite team.
- Each cross-questioning round will last for a total of 6 minutes and will take place after each constructive argument
- After presentation of arguments by both speakers of affirmative and negative side, round of rebuttal from the sides will take place for time of period of 5 minute each.
- Followed by the rebuttal round, a semi- moderated open cross questioning, round will take place for a total of 14 minutes.

Dress Code

- Participants are required to strictly adhere to the following dress code while present in the debating room during the competition
- Ladies : Indian or western business formals
- Gentlemen: Western business formals
- Strict adherence is required for the dress code; non-compliance for the same will result in deduction of points in the team score.
- Registration
- The link for the registration form has been provide as under; all participating teams are required to completely and correctly fill all details mentioned on the same.
- Online registration shall be done though the following link; (link)
- Registration Fee: Rs 400 per participant.
- All participating teams are required to make a payment of Rs. 800 through UPI payment.

Time Grid

Speakers	Round 1	Round 2&3	Final
Affirmative Speaker 1	5 minutes	6 minutes	8 minutes
Cross X 1	2 minutes	4 minutes	6 minutes
Negative Speaker 1	5 minutes	6 minutes	8 minutes
Cross X 1	2 minutes	4 minutes	6 minutes
Affirmative Speaker 2	5 minutes	6 minutes	8 minutes
Cross X 2	2 minutes	4 minutes	6 minutes
Negative Speaker 2	5 minutes	6 minutes	8 minutes
Cross X 2	2 minutes	4 minutes	6 minutes
Affirmative Rebuttal	1 minutes	3 minutes	5 minutes
Negative Rebuttal	1 minutes	3 minutes	5 minutes
Cross Examination	10 minutes	14 minutes	14 minutes
Total Time	40 minutes	60minutes	80 minutes

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- Registration Fee: Rs 400 per participant.
- Accomodation and Food will be provided without charge.
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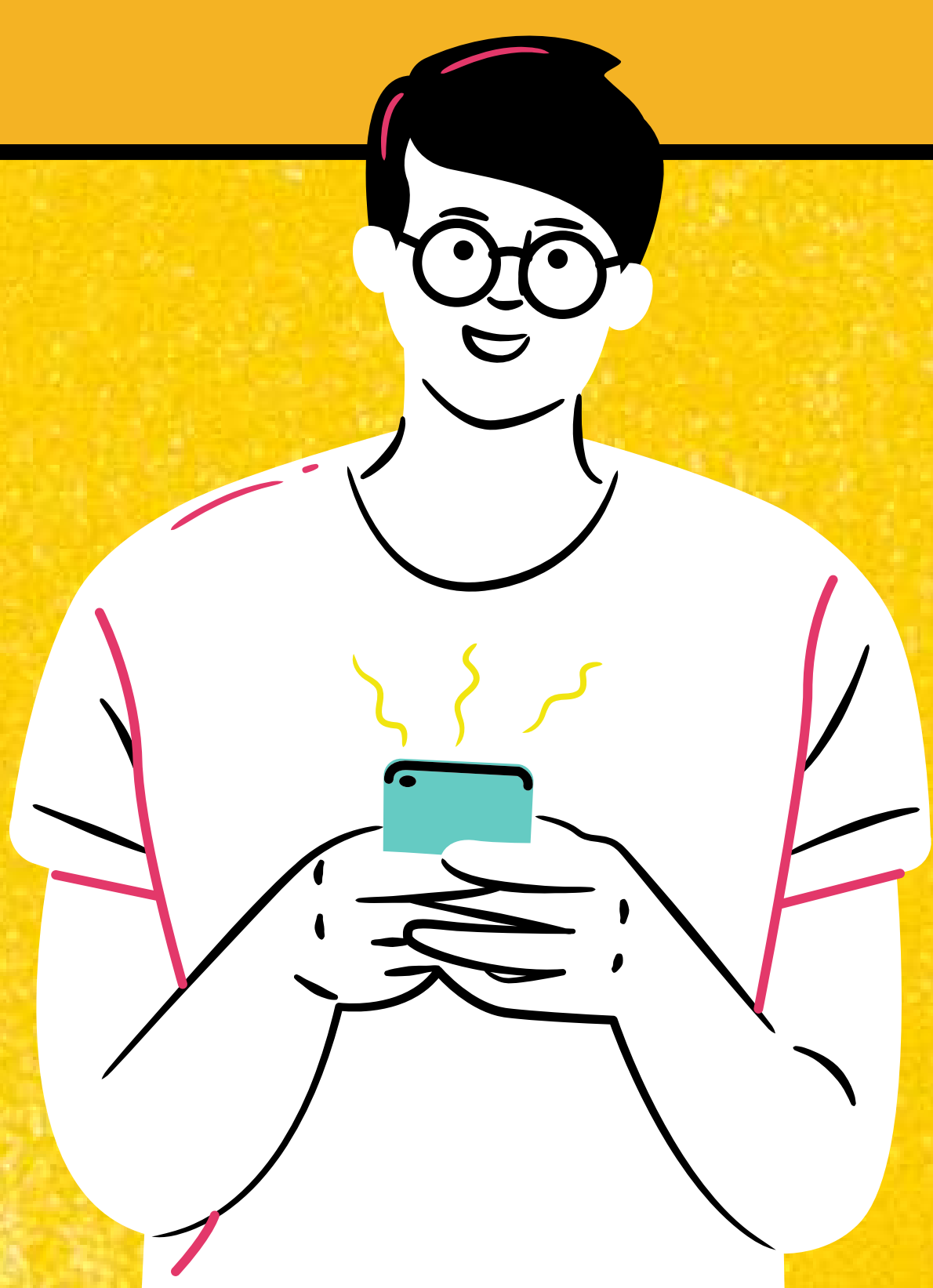
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