

2006 WINTER OLYMPIC RESULTS

Traditionally the final standings to determine the winning country at the Olympics are determined by the total number of medals won by each country. Many countries believe that this is not a FAIR system, and believe that a better way should be developed. Please decide on a NEW strategy for ranking the following countries from 1 – 12, with 1 being the best.

The following list represents the order of results from the 2006 Winter Olympics, held in Turin, Italy. The information in columns 6 and 7 may help develop a better ranking system. Keep in mind that ties are not allowed so you will have to have tie-breakers built into your system.

	GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE	Total Medals	# of athletes at the games	Population of the country
Germany	11	12	6	29	164	82,422,299
United States	9	9	7	25	211	298,444,215
Canada	7	10	7	24	196	32,654,500
Russia	8	6	8	22	178	142,893,540
Norway	2	8	9	19	81	4,610,820
Sweden	7	2	5	14	112	9,016,596
Switzerland	5	4	5	14	143	7,523,934
China	2	4	5	11	78	1,313,973,713
Italy	5	0	6	11	184	58,133,509
Korea	6	3	2	11	40	70,305,000
France	3	2	4	9	89	60,876,136
Australia	1	0	1	2	40	20,264,082

Your presentation to the International Olympic Committee must:

- Represent your rankings.
- Explain why you ranked the countries the way you did and what information you considered.
- Explain how you account for ties.
- Explain how your system is more **FAIR** than the system currently in place.