

THE 24 RULES OF MATHCAMP

- (1) No singing, humming, chanting, or whistling of the national anthem of any sovereign state or principality.
- (2) No juggling of three or more of any combination of balls, clubs, rings, torches, beanbags, knives, Rubik's cubes, turnips, shoes, sea urchins, textiles, or placental mammals.
- (3) No doing any number of consecutive push-ups exceeding thirty by any person except for a licensed athletic instructor.
- (4) No wearing of more than three sarongs or similar objects made of cloth and at least four square feet in area simultaneously.
- (5) No yodeling, ululation, or any other sort of sustained vocalization of varying pitch level.
- (6) No use of any sort of martial arts, including but not limited to karate, tae kwon do, wushu, jujutsu (Brazilian or Japanese), muay thai, capoeira, or pankration.
- (7) No mime.
- (8) No confession or admission of any sort of crush, infatuation, being "into" someone, "not just like but **like** liking", love, and pon farr.
- (9) No attempts to communicate with the dead (or merely comatose but possessing psychic capabilities) via seances or other forms of divination.
- (10) No dancing of any form originating in the western hemisphere. (This includes but is not limited to salsa, rumba, tango, jitterbug, and krumping.)
- (11) No bribing of any number of observers or audience members during a skit or performance, especially not with delicious food.
- (12) No transformation into a werewolf, werebear, werefrog, wereskunk, or any other variety of half-human half-beast. (Ratios such as $1/3 : 2/3$ are equally unacceptable.)
- (13) No impersonation of any sort of teacher, counselor, mentor, police officer, or other authority figure.
- (14) No purchasing, importing, manufacturing, or consuming any baked good with genus greater than or equal to one.
- (15) No wearing of articles of clothing clearly intended or designed for the opposite sex from that of the wearer.
- (16) No discussion, promotion, advocacy, or debating the existentialist philosophy of Kierkegaard or Nietzsche.
- (17) No owning, sheltering, or feeding of any pet animal, plant, fungus, or human who thinks he or she is an animal, plant, or fungus.
- (18) No fashion shows or modeling of any sort of clothing or outfits with background music. Walk-offs are strictly prohibited.
- (19) No cloning or other duplications of vertebrate organisms.
- (20) No origami, including any sort of construction of shapes, models, or forms by folding paper, cardboard, or aluminum foil.
- (21) No meddling in any sort in temporal mechanics, including the acceleration, deceleration, or reversal of the flow of time.
- (22) No writing of limericks, either human or machine-assisted. Haiku are okay.
- (23) No experimentation or observation, scientific or otherwise, on the carcasses of dead chickens, geese, swallows, terns, ostriches, awks, or kakapos.
- (24) No dividing by zero under any circumstances.