King's Christian Collegiate Model United Nations

MARVEL Committee Delegate Guide



Chairs:

Committee Level: Novice/Intermediate

A letter from your Secretary General

Dear Distinguished Delegates,

It is my honour to welcome you to the sixth annual King's MUN conference. Since our debut in 2013, King's MUN has provided an environment to foster and nurture aspiring Model UN enthusiasts. From our tutorial to our advanced committees, delegates of all levels of experience will be able to participate and grow in their MUN abilities.

Model United Nations is an internationally recognized forum for debate that invites students from thousands of schools around the world to participate in conferences. Delegates are encouraged to debate on and attempt to resolve pressing issues that affect the global community. Through these simulations, students are able to develop and refine their skills in diplomacy, negotiation, compromise, research, public speaking, critical thinking, and writing amongst other practical skills that will be extremely useful in all facets of their education and life in general.

At King's Christian Collegiate, I have come to recognize the significant positive impact that Model UN has had on our students, so I have dedicated myself to growing our own club and spreading my knowledge and passion to surrounding schools and communities. Through developing my awareness regarding international and geo-political relations, I have been able to deepen my insight into some of the world's most compelling issues and encourage mature and fruitful discussion around these topics.

I am so proud of how inclusive, supportive and dedicated our group has become and cannot wait to see King'sMUN continue to grow exponentially in years to come. I love sharing my experiences regarding Model UN with others and I look forward to meeting as many of you as I can and hearing your individual stories.

I am once again immensely excited to welcome Grades 7-12 at the fifth annual King's MUN conference. I look forward to seeing you on Saturday, February 22nd, 2020.

Sincerely,

Alice Gales Secretary General, 2019/2020 King'sMUN

King's MUN Marvel Committee

Topic 1: Defeating Thanos

The intergalactic warlord Thanos is on his way to earth to complete his conquest to gather the six Infinity Stones. Having just acquired the Power Stone from the planet Xander, Thanos and his lieutenants, Ebony Maw, Cull Obsidian, Proxima Midnight, and Corvus Glaive intercept a spaceship carrying the survivors of Asgard's recent destruction. They are able to extract the Space Stone from the Tesseract. Hulk, Loki and Thor find an escape pod on Thanos' ship and make their way back to earth. The escape pod crash lands in the Sanctum Sanctorum in New York City. Hulk reverts into Bruce Banner and is injured from his fight with Thanos earlier. Thor warns Strange Strange and the Avengers that Thanos has a plan to kill half of all life in the universe with the power of the Infinity Stones. Two of the stones are on earth: the Time Stone and the Mind Stone. Stephen Strange has the Time Stone and Vision has the Mind Stone. With the knowledge of Thanos' arrival, the Avengers realize they'll need as much help as possible.

The Avengers ally with the Guardians of the Galaxy and Wakandans. There are varying opinions regarding where they should all locate for when Thanos reaches earth. Thor is scared from his first encounter with Thanos and thinks that they should hide in Wakanda because of the barrier they have to surround the country. He believes that the stones will be safer kept there, and can be stored in a vibranium vault out of Thanos' reach. However, Steve Rogers wants the group to fight against Thanos and to use the Infinity Stones they already have in order to stand a chance. The Guardians of the Galaxy think that the best chance of survival would be to flee earth and to hide throughout the universe. The Wakandans stand with Steve Rogers.

Thanos is one of the most powerful beings in the universe and he has ahold of four of the Infinity Stones. The alliance is aware that if they lose control of the two stones they have now, Thanos will be able to put his plan into action killing half of all life in the universe. With this in mind, the newly formed group is divided on this issue and cannot come to a consensus of whether they should use the power of the stones and fight or hide, keeping the stones safe.





Figure 1 - Thanos

Figure 2 - Infinity Stones

Questions to consider

- 1. Where should the Avengers and their new alliance go to prepare for Thanos' arrival?
- 2. Should the group fight Thanos and try to defeat him by using the Infinity Stones they have or is another plan more effective?
- 3. Is Thanos already too powerful to stop?

Topic 2: Wakanda and Vibranium Storage

Wakanda and their Vibranium have always been hidden from the rest of the world until recently. Vibranium is a very powerful and versatile material. It is the strongest metal known to man and 1/3rd the weight of steel. It powers Wakanda's cities and weapons; it is sewed into their clothes and is a vital part of Wakandan culture.



Figure 3- Wakanda on map

The material has gained media attention after it was stolen and used to build "a terrible weapon" as described by the Wakandan King (at the time) T'Chaka. Seized by the vile Ultron, the material was used to forge a weapon that, despite the Avengers' best efforts, destroyed Sokovia.

King T'Chaka spoke on this incident during a UN meeting in Vienna aimed at passing the Sokovia Accords. During his speech, an unfortunate attack on the building took the life of the King. James Buchannan Barnes (The Winter Soldier) has long been speculated to have been behind the attack yet this has yet to be confirmed. Assuming the throne of Wakanda was T'Chaka's son T'Challa.

Despite previously reported insider information that stated a power struggle occured and that the King was killed, it seems King T'Challa is alive and well as he met with the world leaders in Vienna for a big announcement this week. T'Challa announced that they will be

sharing their Wakandan resources and knowledge with the rest of the world for the first time in the nation's history. It is unclear what inspired this change. We do know, however, that T'Challa is willing to share Wakandan Vibranium. World Leaders and noted "superhero" team, The Avengers, remain divided on the best uses for this material. Billionaire playboy Tony Stark has expressed interest in combining the tech with his "Iron man" designs. General Ross has clashed with Stark on this, claiming the Vibranium should be solely in the possession of the US government. A meeting will take place amongst The Avengers to determine the best use for the valuable material.



Figure 4- Vibranium

Questions to Consider

- 1. What are the best uses for Vibranium?
- 2. Who should ultimately have final say on where Vibranium is used: Wakandans, The Avengers or the UN?
- 3. With alien attacks being a possibility, is it responsible to use Vibranium to manufacture high-tech weapons on a large scale?