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All videos must be in English.

All videos submitted must be in the final format. Hence, they must include the exact title, all author’s names, production date and running time. Videos without voice-over will not be accepted.

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