



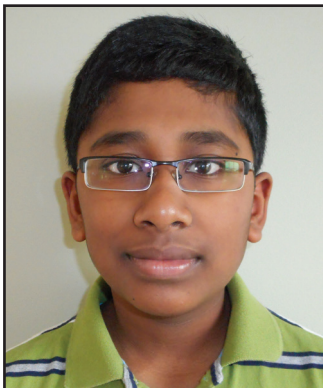
WINNERS:

2014 National Geographic Bee

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Washington, D.C.

FIRST PLACE

VIRGINIA



Akhil Rekulapelli is a 13-year-old 8th grader at Stone Hill Middle School in Ashburn, near Washington, D.C. He represented Virginia at the 2013 National Geographic Bee. He plays the clarinet in his school's top band and is a first degree black belt in tae kwon do. He hopes to work for Doctors Without Borders.

SECOND PLACE

FLORIDA



Ameya Mujumdar is an 11-year-old 5th grader at Turner Elementary School in Tampa. He plays chess and piano and enjoys video games, especially Minecraft. The best place he has been to is Agra, where he saw the Taj Mahal. He hopes to visit Antarctica, as he would like to be in the middle of penguins.

THIRD PLACE

CALIFORNIA



Tuvya Bergson-Michelson is a 13-year-old 7th grader at The Nueva School in Hillsborough, near San Francisco. He represented California at the 2011 and 2013 National Geographic Bees. He loves geography for the lens it provides on the world. He is vice president of his school's student council.

Winning Question:

The discovery of a major shale oil deposit in the Vaca Muerta formation in 2010 has led to an expansion of oil drilling in the Neuquén province in what country?

Answer: Argentina