WPBS PBS KIDS Writers Contest Entry Form

Type or print legibly

Child’s Name_________________________________________________________________________________Age____________________

Child’s Mailing Address_______________________________________________________________

City/State/Zip_________________________________________________________________________ Home Phone (_______)____________________

Circle Grade: Kindergarten 1st Grade 2nd Grade 3rd Grade Sex: F M

Title of Story_________________________________________________________________________

Number of Words ______________ Word count range: Grades K-1 minimum-50, maximum-200

Number of Illustrations ____________ (minimum of 5)

Grades 2-3 minimum-100, maximum-350

(The word count includes “a,” “an,” & “the.”)

Only one entry per child • Only single author stories (no co-authors) • Story must be original work of the child • Original art can include drawings, collages, 3-D and photos taken by the author • Story may be fact or fiction, prose or poetry • Use only one side of the paper • Number each page on the back • Text must be printed/written legibly or typed • Children who can’t write may dictate their story to be printed or typed • Invented spelling is accepted • Story text may be on pages with illustrations or on separate pages • Non-English text must be translated into English text on the same page and the translated English text must adhere to the word count • Word count includes “a” “an” “the” but not words on nonstory pages (e.g. title page) or those that enhance illustrations

I acknowledge that I have read the Contest rules & regulations prior to signing this and that I understand the rules.

Required:

Parent/Guardian Signature __________________________________________ Email address: ____________________________

Printed Name______________________________________ Date____________________

If different than the above address:

Mailing Address __________________________________________________________

City/State/Zip_________________________________________ Phone (_______)____________________

Optional Promotional Offers to Parent/Guardian named above from PBS KIDS Partners

Yes / No (circle one) PBS KIDS Partners may contact me via email up to two times for promotional offers related to the PBS KIDS Writers Contest

Optional for School-Related Entry:

Teacher Signature __________________________________________ Email address: ____________________________

Printed Name______________________________________ Date____________________

School Name__________________________________________________________

School Mailing Address________________________________________________

City/State/Zip_________________________________________ School Phone (_______)

Deadline for receipt of entries and entry address is:

DEADLINE: March 12, 2021

WPBS
PBS KIDS Writers Contest
1056 Arsenal Street
Watertown, NY 13601

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<th>CATEGORY</th>
<th>Excellent (5pts)</th>
<th>Good (4pts)</th>
<th>Fair (3pts)</th>
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<th>Needs Improvement (1pt)</th>
<th>SCORE</th>
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<td><strong>Originality:</strong> Unique, child-centered, engaging</td>
<td>Truly unique and captivating, completely child-centered</td>
<td>Mostly unique and fresh, quite engaging</td>
<td>Engaging but with some overly familiar elements</td>
<td>Mostly a retelling of a known story</td>
<td>Direct or very short retelling</td>
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<td><strong>Creative Expression:</strong> Imagery, details</td>
<td>Vivid imagery, figurative language, specific details, contribute to vividness</td>
<td>Some imagery, figurative language, most details contribute</td>
<td>Some use of detailed language</td>
<td>Modifiers present</td>
<td>No imagery apparent</td>
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<td><strong>Organization/Progression:</strong> Appropriate, good flow</td>
<td>Has a strong hook, delightful and fresh progression, satisfying conclusion</td>
<td>Has a hook and strong progression, solid ending</td>
<td>Has a perceivable order</td>
<td>Elements strung together with some connection</td>
<td>Random thoughts</td>
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<td><strong>Use of Language &amp; Conventions</strong></td>
<td>Delightful word choice, fitting to aims of story, connectors and structure contribute</td>
<td>Word choice deliberate, conventions mostly accurate</td>
<td>Word choice is adequate, some conventions apparent</td>
<td>Basic sentence structure</td>
<td>Word strings, sentence fragments</td>
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<td><strong>Illustrations:</strong> Enhance story, notable style</td>
<td>Style fits the mood of story, work is creative, original and eye-catching</td>
<td>Illustrations largely fit the story, some work better than others</td>
<td>Illustrations loosely fit the piece</td>
<td>Illustrations likely copied/traced</td>
<td>No illustrations</td>
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**TOTAL SCORE (25pts Possible)**