




**PRE-K - 8TH GRADE
WRITING CONTEST!**

Pre-K through 2nd grade:	3rd through 5th grade:	6th through 8th grade:
<p>Take a look at the picture below:</p>  <p>Why does this dog have a suitcase? Where is it traveling, and what will it do when it gets there? Write a story that answers some of these questions.</p> <p>You are welcome to submit artwork with your story!</p> <p>Maximum length: 10 pages or 300 words</p>	<p>Write a story about a character who discovers a magical creature and takes it home with them. What kind of creature do they find? What happens when they try to keep it in their home?</p> <p>Maximum length: 750 words</p>	<p>Write a story about characters who are in an old building, riding an elevator that suddenly stops between floors... and opens to a place that shouldn't exist. Where are they, and how do they get out?</p> <p>Maximum length: 1,500 words</p>

Rubrics by grade-level on the next pages

The links below show age-appropriate checklists for narrative-style writing for each grade.
You can use them to help you make sure your story follows your grade's standards:

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<u>Kindergarten</u> <u>First Grade</u> <u>Second Grade</u>	<u>Third Grade</u> <u>Fourth Grade</u> <u>Fifth Grade</u>	<u>Sixth Grade</u> <u>Seventh Grade</u> <u>Eighth Grade</u>
Remember, your story shouldn't be true! Use the rubrics as guidelines for the types of grade-level expectations we'll be looking for, not requirements. All stories should be original pieces, and the content should be school-appropriate.		