

SOME CREATIVE WRITING IDEAS



* **A MYSTERY OR ADVENTURE STORY**

A short story on any subject. It could include a spy or detective story, or a haunted house or horror story; alternatively, an adventure of an astronaut, explorer, etc.

* **MY FAVOURITE PET OR ANIMAL**

Your chance to write a piece about your pet or a particular animal that you like.

* **WHO I WOULD LIKE TO BE FOR ONE DAY**

Write a story about whoever you choose and what you would do as this person for just one day.

* **ABOUT MY BROTHER OR SISTER**

* **ONCE UPON A TIME**

Your own fairy tale, myth or legend, which can include unicorns, dragons & little people or, if you prefer, creatures, beasts or beings from your imagination.

* **READ ALL ABOUT IT**

Make up a newspaper headline and story on any subject or event real or imaginary.

* **A DAY IN THE LIFE OF...**

Your chance to write a day in the life of any person or creature, real or imaginary, or even a day in the life of your role model.

* **THE HAPPIEST DAY OF MY LIFE**

CLOSING DATE FOR MAILING

ENTRIES IS MARCH 23, 2012 (postmarked)

SEND ENTRIES TO:

Creative Writing Contest

P.O. Box 44169 – RPO Gorge, Victoria, BC V9A 7K1

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- **360 WORDS MAXIMUM**
- Completed **student** entry form must be stapled to the front of the work.
- Completed **school** entry form must be enclosed with each envelope of entries.
- Work should be no more than 360 words. (all work exceeding 360 words will be returned)
- Entries should be typed or neatly hand-written on 8 ½" x 11" paper.
- Please keep a copy of original work. Accepted work is not returned.

- There are two age groups: 7-11 years and 12-18 years.
- One entry only per student (no limit to the number of entries per school).
- Students must be between 7 and 18 years of age at the time the piece of work is written.
- Young Writers whose work is accepted for publication will be notified by letter. Unused work will be returned to the school.

HOW TO ENTER

Each piece of work must have a completed entry form. There must also be a school entry form enclosed with each envelope of entries. Entry forms may be photocopied, or downloaded from our website (www.youngwritersofcanada.ca).

The completed student entry form should be stapled to the top front of each student's work. Put all entries into an envelope with one completed school entry form and postmarked no later than **March 23, 2012**.

ENTER ONLINE

E-mail entry to:
poetryinstitute@shaw.ca
Website:
www.youngwritersofcanada.ca

ENTER BY FAX

250-519-0029

ENTER BY MAIL

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