

Environmental Creative Writing Contest



The intent of the contest is to foster environmental awareness, expand perception to a global perspective, and inspire students to think “outside-the-box” about solutions to environmental challenges.

It offers a unique, fun opportunity to practice the CCSS (Common Core State Standards) of the 4th grade curriculum. These include prewriting, drafting, rewriting, editing, developing a coherent story line, using punctuation correctly and basic computer keyboard skills.

To enter, write any of the following:

*Short Story, Adventure, Myth, Narrative, Report or Engineering Manual
(Your entry can include artwork.)*

Base your entry on one of the choices below:

- When I discovered I had superpowers, I knew I could protect the Earth’s water. ←
(Use the sentence above somewhere in your entry.)*
- Wetlands, Lakes, Streams, Rivers, Oceans, and other waters ←*
- My Idea to Bring Clean Drinking Water to the World is...←*
- The Day The Ocean Spoke ←*

Contest Rules

- Contest is open to all 4th grade students from public schools and private.
- Entries shall be from 400-600 words, typewritten.
- Teachers will submit entries from their class to Pockets Productions and Publishing (Home of the Earth-Guards Adventure Team®).
- Final date for submissions is January 22th, 2016.
- Winners will be announced on February 26th, 2016.
- Prizes will be awarded during class time specified by the teacher of the winning classrooms.

Judging Information:

Contest judges are current and former California teachers who will give positive feedback to encourage students to love writing. Participants will be judged on creative thinking, story development (for fictional work)/coherent presentation of ideas (for manuals), sentence structure, grammar and punctuation..

Points are as follows:

Creativity		50 Points
Structure and use of literary devices		30 Points
Grammar and Punctuation		20 Points
Extra Points for Memorable Writing		10 Extra Superpower Points

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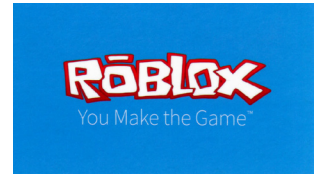
There will be 3 winning students.
Students AND their teachers will receive gifts from
Pockets Productions and from our generous cosponsors.



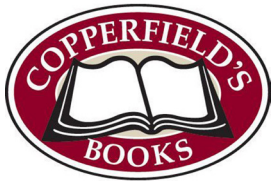
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My Official Entry Form:

Student Name: _____
Student Grade: _____ Age: _____ M/F _____
City: _____ School: _____
Parent/Guardian Name(s) _____
Parent/Guardian Phone: _____

The ownership in any submission shall remain the property of the entrant, but entry into this creative writing contest constitutes entrant's irrevocable permission and consent that Pockets Productions & Publishing may display, copy, reproduce, enhance, print, sublicense, publish, distribute, and create derivative works for the Earth-Guards Adventure Team or Pockets Productions & Publishing. Student certifies this is his/her own work.

_____ _____
Parent/Guardian Signature Student Signature

To be completed by Teacher/School:	
School Name: _____	Teachers Name _____
Address: _____	Grade: _____
City: _____ State: _____	Zip _____

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