

Channel 9

Young Writers and Illustrators Adventure in Science



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 and 1 minimum-50, maximum-200
(The word count includes "a," "an" & "the.") Grades 2 and 3 minimum-100, maximum-350

Number of Illustrations _____ (minimum of 5)

Only one entry per child • Only single author entries (no co-authored stories) • Story must be original work of the child • Story must reflect a science theme • Story can be fact or fiction, prose or poetry • Use only one side of the paper • Number each page on the back • Text must be printed legibly or typed • Children who can't write may dictate their stories to be printed or typed • Invented spelling is accepted • Text can be printed or typed • Text can be integrated into the pages with illustration pages or on separate pages • Non-English text must be translated on the same page, and the translation text must adhere to the word count

I acknowledge that I have read and understand the guidelines prior to signing this entry form.

Required:

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Email address: _____

Printed Name _____ Date _____

If different from the above address:

Mailing Address _____

City/State/Zip _____ Phone (_____) _____

Optional for school-related entry:

Teacher Signature _____ Email address: _____

Printed Name _____

School Name _____

School Mailing Address _____

City/State/Zip _____ School Phone (_____) _____

Send entries to:

Young Writers and Illustrators Adventure in Science
Attention: Sydney Meyer
KETC
3655 Olive Street
St. Louis, MO 63108-6915

Entries must be postmarked no later than April 30, 2009

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GUIDELINES

Eligibility

Channel 9's *Young Writers and Illustrators Adventure in Science* is open to children in Kindergarten, First, Second and Third grades. Each grade level will be evaluated separately. Children of employees of KETC are not eligible.

Entry Guidelines

- Entrants must be in Kindergarten, First, Second or Third grade.
- Only one entry per person will be accepted.
- Stories must reflect a science theme.
- Only single author stories qualify (no co-authored stories).
- Stories can be fact or fiction, prose or poetry.

Entry Form

Each entry must be complete, legible and submitted with an official *Young Writers and Illustrators Adventure in Science* entry form, with the required signature of a parent/guardian (and, if appropriate, the signature of the sponsoring teacher), confirming that the story and art are original, and granting permission to use the entry for promotional purposes.

Word Count

- **Kindergarten and First grade** stories must have a **minimum of 50 words or maximum of 200 words**.
- **Second and Third grade** stories must have a **minimum of 100 or maximum of 350 words**.
- The word count includes "a," "an" and "the."
- The word count does not include non-story pages such as the title page.

Story Text

- Text must be printed legibly (or typed).
- Children who can't write may dictate their stories.
- Text can be integrated into the illustration pages or on separate pages.
- Non-English text must be translated on the same page, and the translation text must adhere to the word count.
- Invented spelling is accepted

Format and Illustrations

- Stories must have at least five original illustrations.
- Stories must be created on one side of the paper and numbered on the back of each page.

Evaluation, Awards and Notification

Entries will be evaluated on originality, creative expression, storytelling and integration of copy and illustrations. Stories to be featured on Channel 9 will be selected in May. Decisions of the judges are final. Selected stories will be posted online at www.ketc.org. All entrants will be invited to a celebration party at the Magic House on June 7.

Return of Entries

The contest administrators will make every effort, but are not required, to return entries only if accompanied by a stamped, self-addressed envelope of an appropriate size. KETC is not responsible for late, lost, stolen, misdirected, damaged, mutilated, incomplete or illegible entries, or postage-due mail.

Rights Associated with Contest

Winners grant KETC the right to use their names and likenesses in advertising and promotion without compensation or permission, except where prohibited by law. All entries, and any copyrights therein, become the sole property of KETC. By entering, entrants agree to abide by the above stated rules, and warrant that their entries are their original work and do not infringe upon or violate rights of any third party, and grant KETC the right to edit, publish, promote, and otherwise use their entry material without permission, notice or compensation.

No royalties will be paid at this or any time.

Missouri Show-Me State Standards

Channel 9's *Young Writers and Illustrators Adventure in Science* supports the Communication Arts Knowledge standards and Goals of the Performance standards of the Missouri Show-Me Standards.

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