

# Pooh's Reading Corner Short Story Competition



"So off they went, Pooh stumping along with Penguin waddling by his side.
'Where did you come from?' asked Pooh.
'Oh, you know,' replied Penguin vaguely.
'Ah,' said Pooh, who didn't.
'The Usual Place actually,' added Penguin."

Inspired by one of the stories within the new anthology sequel *The Best Bear in All the World*, schools are encouraged to enter a short story competition. Fantastic prizes are available including £500 worth of library books for the winning child's school; a signed anthology sequel for the winner; and a chance to share the excitement with their friends during a class visit to London Zoo to see the penguins.

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Winter in which Penguin arrives in the Forest is a charming wintery tale set in the Hundred Acre Wood in which Winnie-the-Pooh and friends are introduced to a visitor.



"It was a strange looking creature that seemed to be mostly black and white with a hint of yellow about the feet and what was a rather beaky face."

#### SURPRISE a short story competition for 4–7 year olds

One morning Winnie-the-Pooh looked out of his window and saw something that took him by surprise. 'This is very Strange and Unusual,' said Pooh, 'but, unless I'm mistaken, somebody has taken the Forest away and...'

Your challenge is to finish the Winnie-the-Pooh story that has been started above in no more than 100 words. An adult or older child can help write it out but make sure it is your story!

### FRIENDSHIP a short story competition for 7–11 year olds

Christopher Robin thought and, after a long time, said: 'Well, I like new friends because you never quite know what they'll do next. But I like old friends, too, because, however long you've known them, you are always discovering things that you didn't know before.'

Your challenge is to write a short story, up to 250 words, with friendship and discovery as the two core themes. Be as creative as possible, and don't forget that dialogue is used within the Winnie-the-Pooh stories.

# The judging panel can't wait to be amazed by your pupils' creativity!

### PRIZES FOR EACH AGE GROUP

Winner: Signed anthology sequel,  $\pounds$ 500 worth of books for their school library and a visit to London Zoo to see the penguins for the winner and their class.

Runner Up: Signed anthology sequel and £250 worth of books for their school library. Highly Commended: Signed anthology for four Highly Commended entries in each age category.

### SCHOOL ENTRY FORM

Pooh Reading Coordinator Name:
Pooh Reading Coordinator Job Title:
Pooh Reading Coordinator Email Address:
Pooh Reading Coordinator Telephone Number:
School Headteacher Name:
School Headteacher Email Address:
School Name:
School Address:
School Postcode:
School Telephone Number:
School Twitter Handle:

By submitting the enclosed entries, on behalf of our school, I hereby agree to the following important competition terms and conditions.

- 1. Entries will be accepted from any school in the United Kingdom, on behalf of their 4 to 11 year old pupils. Only one entry per age group is allowed per school.
- 2. By entering the competition, entrants will be deemed to have accepted these Terms & Conditions.
- 3. The organiser is Egmont Publishing, The Yellow Building, 1 Nicholas Road, London W11 4AN.
- 4. Entries must be completely the pupil's original work and must not copy any other work.
- 5. The full copyright of any story entered in the competition shall (as between the entrant and Egmont Publishing) be transferred from the entrant to Egmont Publishing.
- 6. Entries must be entered directly onto the official entry form. Entries in a digital format will not be accepted.
- 7. Entries must be submitted by post by 16th December 2016. Entries received after this date will not be accepted.
- 8. Entries must include the following:
  - a. School Entry Form, including Pooh Reading Coordinator Name and Contact Details, School Address, Headteacher Name and Contact Details and Acceptance of the Terms & Conditions
  - b. Pupil's Official Entry Form, including Story, Pupil's Name and Age, School Name and Postcode
- 9. The school of the winning pupil will be informed by email or telephone call on 6th February 2017. The judges' decision will be final and no correspondence will be entered into.
- 10. The organiser reserves the exclusive right to inform the media

of all details and results of the competition, including the work, names and details of the winning pupils and schools, to include these details and results on its website, and for use in any publicity or promotional activities.

- 11. Employees of the organiser and members of their immediate family are not eligible to enter.
- 12. Responsibility cannot be accepted for entries lost, damaged or delayed in transit. Proof of submitting is not proof of receipt. Entries cannot be returned, please take a copy before submitting.
- 13. The prizes are as stated. In the event of unforeseen circumstances, the organiser reserves the right to offer an alternative prize of equal or greater value. No cash alternative will be offered, nor are the prizes transferable.
- 14. The prize of a class visit to ZSL London Zoo will consist of up to 32 child tickets and up to six adult tickets for accompanying staff, plus up to £500 cash contribution towards travel costs for up to 32 children and six adults upon proof of purchase.
- 15. With regards to data protection, the organiser will use personal data for the purposes of administering the competition or setting up any activities associated with this competition.
- 16. The organiser reserves the right in their reasonable discretion to:a. add or waive any rules on reasonable notice, andb. cancel the promotion or any part of it at any stage due to circumstances beyond its reasonable control.
- 17. The decision of Egmont Publishing is final and binding.
- 18. Full competition terms and conditions can be read on www.egmont.co.uk

Entries must be received by 16th December 2016, and should be sent to the judges at the following address:

**Pooh Reading Corner Short Story Competition**, c/o Jem Education Direct, The Boulevard, Orbital Park, Ashford, Kent TN24 0GA.

## PUPIL ENTRY FORM

Pupil Name:	Pupil Age:
Category entered (please tick): 4-7 year olds 🔘	7-11 year olds 🔘
School Name:	Postcode:
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