

Teen writing contest 2026

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You have the opportunity to explain your process to the judges! Most writers get help and that is a normal part of the writing process. Here are some questions that famous authors get asked all the time! The explanation of your writing process is required and is part of how your submission will be judged. Please take time to fill this out thoughtfully, accurately and completely

What was your inspiration for the plot, setting, and characters? Are they based on personal experience or did you have to do research?

What kind of research did you need to do (if any)?

You may seek and receive help from family, teachers and/or artificial intelligence models ONLY for research, brainstorming and/or feedback. Did you get any help with your story? If so, please share what type of help you received and how you incorporated it into your final draft.

Briefly describe your writing process. For example, did you plot out your story before you wrote it, or did you make it up as you went? Did you write your story quickly or over a longer period of time? Did you get stuck at any point in trying to make your story work?

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