

## **Creative Writing**

*Project not eligible for State Fair*

This project is designed to help you explore your writing talents. You may choose to try poetry, play writing or you may wish to experiment with essays, biographies, novels, short stories, or autobiographies.

### Exhibit Rules

- a) Members may enter up to 3 writings, but they must be in different categories.
  - b) Your writing may be hand written, typed, or by computer, but should be easily read. Adult assistance in typing is acceptable.
  - c) Writing is to be displayed in a paper folder or e-mailed to the office or on a flash drive.
1. **Beginner (Gr 3-5)** Select up to 3 of the following:
    - a. A poem of any length or style
    - b. A story, or any other prose piece consisting of approximately 100 to 500 words.
    - c. A poem of any length or a story between 100 to 300 words in length that is illustrated by the writer.
    - d. A one-page advertisement for a fictional product. May be with or without illustration by the exhibitor. May be serious or humorous. You must attach one paragraph describing the product on a sheet under the advertisement.
  2. **Intermediate (Gr 6-8)** Select up to 3 of the following:
    - a. A poem of any length or style
    - b. A story, or any other prose piece consisting of approximately 200 to 500 words.
    - c. A poem of any length or a story between 200 to 400 words in length that is illustrated by the writer.
    - d. A one-page advertisement for a fictional product. May be with or without illustration by the exhibitor. May be serious or humorous. You may attach one paragraph describing the product on a sheet under the advertisement.
  3. **Advanced (Gr 9+)** Select up to 3 of the following:
    - a. A poem of any length or style
    - b. A story, or any other prose piece consisting of approximately 300 to 500 words.
    - c. A poem of any length or a story between 300 to 500 words in length that is illustrated by the writer.
    - d. A one-page advertisement for a fictional product, with or without illustration by the 4-Her. May be serious or humorous. You may attach one paragraph describing the product on a sheet under the advertisement.

### Creative Writing Scorecard Criteria:

1. Meets length requirement
2. Opening
3. Closing
4. Meter (poetry only)
5. Originality
6. Creativity
7. Grammar (Word Usage, Sentence or line structure)
8. Neat & Orderly