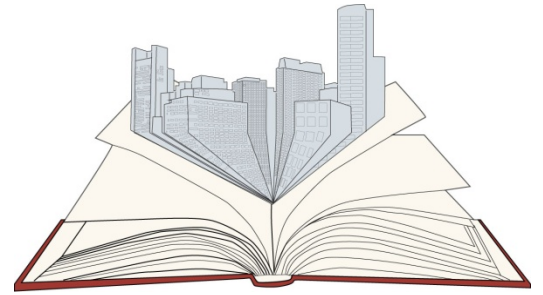


2013 Global Partners Junior Creative Writing Contest



The Contest

Global Partners Junior students in New York City and around the world are eligible to enter the 2013 Global Partners Junior Creative Writing Contest! First place winners will receive laptops; second place winners will receive tablet computers; third place winners will receive e-readers. Award winners will be celebrated at local ceremonies and have their work showcased in at the Brooklyn Book Festival, an international book festival that brings together writers and readers of all ages.

What kind of story should you write?

Students must submit an original fictional short story that takes place in a New York City neighborhood—anywhere throughout the five boroughs of the Bronx, Brooklyn, Manhattan, Queens, and Staten Island. Stories should highlight the NYC setting and include a character that is either a foreign tourist or a new immigrant living in New York.

Rules

- Students must be between 9 -12 years old and enrolled in the 2012-13 or 2013-14 Global Partners Junior program.
- Short stories must be 1,000 words or less. Stories must be typed, 12 point font, and double spaced.
- Entries must be submitted to [gpjunior@cityhall.nyc.gov](mailto:gjunior@cityhall.nyc.gov) by **June 14, 2013**. Global Partners Junior teachers are encouraged to collect student entries and submit them on behalf of their students.
- Students must submit a cover sheet that includes the title of their story, their name, birth date, teacher name, and parent/guardian contact details. Ask your Global Partners Junior teacher for a cover sheet.
- Only one piece of writing from each student may be submitted.
- Entries will not be returned. Students are advised to keep a copy for their records. All entries become the property of NYC Global Partners, Inc. without infringement on the copyrights of the entrants. NYC Global Partners reserves the right to edit for spelling and grammatical errors. Entries will be screened for proper submission procedures and will be rejected if they do not meet the eligibility requirements.

Judging

A panel of teachers, writers, and NYC community leaders will evaluate submissions and choose winners for their technical merit and creativity. Winners will be announced at the Brooklyn Book Festival, the week of September 16-22, 2013. There will first, second, and third place winners in two age groups: age 9-10 and age 11-12.



About Global Partners Junior

Global Partners Junior is an award-winning student exchange program that connects New York City youth to their peers around the world through the internet. This unique program fosters global awareness and develops practical technology skills for middle school youth. Students communicate online about topics relevant to all cultures using an original curriculum. This creative writing contest will kick off the 2013-14 Global Partners Junior program year to begin in September 2013. Through the *Literary Cities* curriculum, students will explore issues unique to their cities through literature, interviews with local residents, and by writing original fiction and non-fiction. For more information, visit www.nyc.gov/globalpartners.