

35th ANNUAL Ghost Story Writing Contest

Can you give us goosebumps? Write down your most terrifying summer campfire story and enter it in the 35th Annual Ghost Story Writing Contest.

Helen Creighton knew what made a good ghost story: howling winds, creepy characters, ghostly ships, strange apparitions and things that go “bump” in the night.

Get writing and send us some thrills and chills.

CONTEST RULES

1. The contest is open to youth age 7 to 15.
2. Submit your ghostly tale in one of the following age categories: Ages 7-9, Ages 10-12, Ages 13-15.
3. The contest runs until **Monday, September 9, 2024**.
4. The story must be your own work: either an original piece, or a retelling (in your own words) of a ghost story that you've heard. Works generated by Artificial Intelligence (AI) are not permitted.
5. Judges will pick the two ghostliest stories in each age category to receive book prizes.
6. Winners will be announced and all entrants honoured at an awards ceremony in Fall 2024.
7. Limit of one story per writer. Individual entries only; group or class submissions will not be accepted.
8. All entries should be submitted on 8½ x 11 paper.

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