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Oiliúna Dhúin na nGall
Donegal Education and
Training Board



Writing Competition 2020

Prizes will be awarded in 3 categories:

1. Secondary School Students - including Youthreach Students
2. Primary School Students
3. Adults - age 18 and over

Prizes

1st Prize	€50 in book vouchers
2nd Prize	€30 in book vouchers
3rd Prize	€20 in book vouchers

In the introduction to her book of poetry "Hopscotch in the Sky", Lucinda Jacob writes -

"Ideas for Poems are all around us; all we have to do is keep our eyes and ears open".

Inspired by Lucinda's words, we are asking you to keep **your** eyes and ears open and write a poem - maximum of 30 lines - and submit it for this year's Creative Writing Competition.

In a change to our previous competitions, we are inviting entries as follows from:

- Individual Students
- Students working in Pairs
- Group of Students
- Whole Class

Entries will be judged on -

- Originality
- Use of Language
- Creativity
- Depth of Feeling

Information, Rules and Conditions of Entry

1. Entrants may submit an unlimited number of poems.
2. Please do not put your name or personal contact details on the same page as the creative writing entry itself.
3. Cover letter accompanying entries should include:
 - Name, address/ school address, email address and phone number of the author(s).
 - Title(s) of each entry submitted.
 - The names of all the students in the class who contributed to the writing of the poem (if applicable)
4. Entry is FREE! Each entry must be:
 - 30 lines or less
 - The original work of the author(s) submitting it.
 - Never previously published (in any media), self-published, broadcast, and/or have never previously won any competition.
 - Typed on one side of the paper only
5. No alterations can be made to the entry once it has been submitted, and no entries can be returned (so please remember to keep your own copy).
6. The committee will select the three winning entries from a shortlist submitted to them by the Judging Panel. All decisions of the Judging Panel

are final, and no correspondence or discussion can be entered into regarding those decisions. Any attempt to contact the judges regarding the competition will result in immediate disqualification.

7. Copyright will remain with the author, but the READ DL committee reserves the right to arrange first publication or broadcast of selected entries as it sees fit.

8. Submission of an entry implies the author's acceptance of the conditions set out above.

9. Winners will be announced at the Read DL Closing Ceremony on:

Thursday 26th March 2020

Closing Date

All entries must be received by 5pm on Thursday 19th March 2020.

All entries should be sent or delivered to:

Read DL Creative Writing Competition
ETB Offices
Adult Education Centre
Ard O Donnell
Letterkenny
Co Donegal

or emailed to:

bridmcintyre@gmail.com