

# The Writeidea Prize

## Short Story Competition



### ENTRY INSTRUCTIONS AND RULES

#### Your entry

Entries must be submitted by 30 October 2017 at 23:59.

Stories must be a maximum of 3,000 words (no minimum).

There is no set theme. Stories are welcome in any form or genre.

There are no set layout or presentation requirements, but all entries must be typed, in electronic format.

Entries will be judged anonymously. **Please do not put your name on the document.**

Entries must be in English (or English dialect).

No amendments may be made after receipt.

Entries must be entirely the work of the entrant.

#### Eligibility

Competition entrants must be 16 years old or over on the closing date; Teen competition entrants must be 13 – 19 years.

Entrants must be residents of the UK.

Writers who have previously been published (print, online, broadcast), or won a writing competition are not eligible to enter.

Writers may **not** enter more than one story.

Current Idea Store employees are not eligible to enter.

#### Prizes:

Prizes are: 1<sup>st</sup> £300; and four finalists will receive £50 each.  
Teen prizes are: 1<sup>st</sup> £50; and four finalists will receive £20 each

Prizes will be awarded at the Writeidea 2017 Festival and will be sent to any finalists who are unable to attend the awards ceremony.

Entries will be judged by a panel.

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The finalists and their stories will be published on the Writeidea website in early November 2017. The winner will be announced on the Writeidea website after the award ceremony.

### Other terms:

Entry to the competition implies agreement to have your story published in print form or as a webcast by Writeidea. You also agree to have an excerpt from your story performed at Writeidea Festival on Sunday 19 November 2017.

Entry implies an acceptance of these rules. Entries that do not comply with the entry rules and requirements may be disqualified.

### Entry instructions (please read carefully):

Entries must be made via the online entry form:

<https://www.ideastore.co.uk/short-story-competition-form>

- Entries can be submitted in the following formats only:  
.doc .docx or PDF  
The file name of the entry must be the title of the story.
- Please **DO NOT** put your name on your entry.
- Please keep a copy of your entry.

### Administration:

Entries will be read by the Writeidea 2017 panel, made up of officers and professionals from the library and reading fields. The panel will shortlist the finalists and choose the winner. The decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into.