

Communications Creative Writing



Project Introduction

The 4-H Creative Writing Project is designed to help you explore your writing talents through types of writing. While there are categories to choose from, every type and form of writing will fit in a category. So grab a pen and paper or log on to your computer and start writing!

Exhibit Requirements

- Members will each exhibit a collection of their writing, meeting level requirements.
- Writings may be neatly handwritten, typed, or computer generated in a basic font of at least 12 points. Double space all work.
- Writings must be submitted in a three prong folder or ring binder. Sheet protectors are suggested, but not required.
- Each piece should have a title and a summary of how many words, lines or boxes listed on the bottom of each piece; example - Poem: 20 lines, 150 words.
- Project must be included on the Floyd County Record Sheet, which must be completed and attached in the 4-H Member's Green Record Book; bring to Project Check-In.
- **Be sure to site sources used in a "Works Cited" bibliography when quotes, facts, or research information is used in your writing. This follows Copyright Law. An exhibit will be given a participation ribbon if a bibliography is not provided and quotes, facts or research is included in their work.**
- Complete the Floyd County Record Sheet.

Level 1 (Grades 3 - 5)

A notebook including three or more different activities you have completed, as suggested in the Creative Writing Manual.

★These should be original works completed since last year's 4-H Fair.

Level 2 (Grades 6 - 8)

Submit 2-3 examples of your work from one of the following categories: See the Creative Writing Manual for more details.

- Essay (up to 500 words)
- Poetry (20 to 50 lines)
- Short Story (up to 500 words)
- Dramatic Script (three pages in script format)
- Comic Strip (6-12 boxes)
- Children's Illustrated Story (3-10 pages)
- Advertisement (a one page promotional ad for 4-H)

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Level 3 (Grades 9 - 12)

Submit 2-3 examples of your work from the following categories (may be from same or different category): See the Creative Writing Manual for more details.

- Short Story (500-1000 words)
- Poetry (30+ lines)
- Essay (600 to 1000 words)
- Humor (600 to 1000 words)
- Dramatic Script (six pages in script format)
- Comic Strip (12-20 boxes)
- Children's Illustrated Story (10-20 pages)
- Advertisement – create two Public Service Announcements promoting 4-H. One should be 30 seconds and one should be 60 seconds.
- Research Paper (if over 4 pages may be submitted alone)

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