

# FRIENDS



## 2024 Creative Writing Contest

For our student authors and contest judges

A rubric is a scoring tool that teachers often use to grade student work. It offers a way to grade or judge the work in a consistent manner.

Teachers give the scoring tool to students ahead of time so the students know what level of quality their work needs to meet in order to earn a certain score.

Our Creative Writing Contest Rubric provides the same kind of useful tool.

We designed it to help student authors evaluate their own work before they submit it. This also helps them to accept responsibility for their work.

Attached are separate rubrics for each grade grouping used in the contest: Grades 1-2; Grades 3-5 and Grades 6-8.

The rubric also makes it easier for our judges to evaluate an author's work. It will also make it easier for judges to explain why authors got the score they did and what they might do to improve.

For student writers looking for more inspiration, please visit our website at [friendslittleton.org](http://friendslittleton.org). There, on our blog, you'll find tons of creative writing tips and a list of last year's winners. Contest rules and a digital entry form are also online.

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