

Odyssey
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For All Kids Grades 1 through 5

22nd Annual Children's Writing Contest

2015 Prompt:

Imagine a story where your main character somehow finds themselves within the pages of a book. Which book are they in? How did they get there? How does this change the story? Are they a hero or villain? How will they get home?

Best Story prizes will be awarded at **each grade** level as follows:

1st Prize — \$20 Odyssey Gift Certificate

2nd Prize — \$15 Odyssey Gift Certificate

3rd Prize — \$10 Odyssey Gift Certificate

One \$15 Odyssey Gift Certificate will also be awarded for the **Best Illustration** for each grade. Stories should be no longer than 600 words. Third, Fourth, and Fifth-grade stories should be typed on a computer, but we encourage First and Second graders to handwrite their stories.

Children from homeschooling families in comparable grades are encouraged to enter.

We are only accepting submissions in English. **Illustrations are optional but encouraged!**

ENTRY FORMS AT WWW.ODYSSEYBKS.COM

Timeline

Entries Due

Friday April 24, 2015 by 7 pm
at The Odyssey Bookshop
9 College Street, South Hadley, MA or emailed
to kids@odysseybks.com

Winners Notified

Friday, May 1, 2015 by 6 pm
Winners names will be posted on our website
and called.

Awards Ceremony

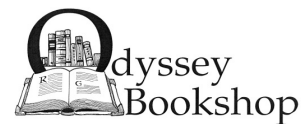
Wednesday, May 20th, 2015 at 6 pm
At Odyssey Bookshop

Pick up Stories

- At the Awards Ceremony, or
- by **June 15**, or include a stamped self-addressed envelope with your story and we will mail it back to you.

Things To Remember

- All entries **MUST** be accompanied by an official entry form. **Remember:** include the child's grade level.
- One entry per child.
- Entries will be judged on originality, creativity, and quality of writing, including grammar, punctuation, and spelling. There should also be evidence that the child completed the project independently.



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Hours: Monday-Friday 10 a.m.-8 p.m.
Saturday 10 a.m.-6 p.m. • Sunday 12 noon-5 p.m.