



YOUTH WRITING CONTEST

Write about something funny and win great prizes!

Youth in grades K-12 can participate in the Ruth Blank Venner and Mary Jane Blank McCormick Youth Writing Contest. The 2024 topic is: *Something funny that happened to you or someone you know.*

Grand prizes awarded in four categories:

Grades K-2, 3-5, 6-8, 9-12.

- First place: \$200 Visa gift card
- Second place: \$100 Visa gift card
- Third place: \$50 Visa gift card
- Branch finalists: \$25 Visa gift card (one per location)



Entries are due by **(Sa) Nov. 16, 2024** and may be dropped off at any Library location, submitted online at toledolibrary.org/writing-contest, or mailed to Youth Services (see below.) Scan the QR code for more details and full rules or visit toledolibrary.org/writing-contest.

Guidelines

To enter, your story must:

- Be your original work, which comes solely from your imagination
- Be hand-written or typed (12+ point font) and stapled to the entry form or entered online
- Include three parts: a beginning, middle, and end
- Be text only - no pictures
- Be 500 words maximum
- Be on 8 1/2" x 11" paper

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Library Branch: _____

School: _____ Grade: _____

Entries may be dropped off at any Library location, submitted online, or mailed to: Youth Services at the Toledo Lucas County Public Library, 325 Michigan St., Toledo, OH 43604.



Winners will be notified by telephone after December 12, 2024. With their guardians' permission, winning entries will be posted on the Toledo Library's OverDrive website after January 11, 2025. Winners will be invited to pick up their prizes on January 11, 2025. Call 419.259.5200 for more information.

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National IMLS Medal Winner

