



# Story Contest

## Topics to choose from



### A story about the weather

- Choose your favorite season and write a story with your observations. Include vivid vocabulary and rich sensory detail. We want to hear about the season through your perspective—what makes it enjoyable for you?
- Choose your favorite kind of weather and write a story about the activities you and your family like to do in that weather. There might be some special foods, customs or traditions you hold close to your heart.

### A story that has a dinosaur in it

- Write a story about a pterodactyl. Describe the ancient world as he or she would see it.
- Imagine you discover a missing dinosaur egg! Tell us about it. What do you wonder? What do you learn? What happens when the dinosaur egg hatches? Give background information on the species of dinosaur you have chosen and the qualities of those eggs.
- Write a story about an ancient underwater dinosaur species. Research and look at fossils to help imagine your character's ancient world.
- Write about a group of baby dinosaurs and their adventures.

### A story that has to do with something in space

- Imagine you are on board a space craft and exploring space! Write about what you see and observe from your window. Are you going through a nursery for stars? An asteroid belt? What is it like and how do you feel?

### A story about an ecosystem

- Write a story about animal homes from the tundra or grass lands ecosystem.
- Write a story about animals local to a state, like California or Hawaii.
- Can you imagine a lush forest with animals working together to achieve a goal? Write a story about it!

### A story about a robot

- Imagine a robot who was built for a special purpose, but one day it discovers it has a dream of its own. Maybe it wants to learn how to paint, become a gardener, or help animals in need. Write a story about how the robot tries to follow its dream. What challenges does it face? Does it meet any new friends along the way?

### A story about an animal

- Think of an animal that lives in the wild or on a farm. One day, something unusual happens—maybe it gets lost, meets a mysterious new friend, or even has to save its family from danger. Write a story about the animal's adventure. How does it solve the problem? Does it discover something special about itself by the end?