



# Entry Form

## 2026 Book Writing Contest for Grades K-3

Type or print legibly

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Circle Grade:    **Kindergarten**    **1st Grade**    **2nd Grade**    **3rd Grade**    Sex:   **F**   **M**

Title of Story \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Words \_\_\_\_\_

Word count range: Grades K-1 minimum-50, maximum-200

(The word count includes "a," "an," & "the.")

Grades 2-3 minimum-100, maximum-350

Number of Illustrations \_\_\_\_\_ (minimum of 5)

Only one entry per child • Only single author stories (no co-authors) • Story must be original work of the child • Story may be fact or fiction, prose or poetry • Use only one side of the paper • For mailed entries, number each page on the back  
• Text must be printed/written legibly or typed • Children who can't write may dictate their story to be printed or typed • Invented spelling is accepted • Story text may be on pages with illustrations or on separate pages • Non-English text must be translated into English text on the same page and the translated English text must adhere to the word count • Word count includes "a" "an" "the" but not words on nonstory pages (e.g. title page) or those that enhance illustrations

I acknowledge that I have read the Contest rules & regulations prior to signing this and that I understand the rules.

**Required:**

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

If different from the above address:

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

**Optional for School-Related Entry:**

Teacher Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name \_\_\_\_\_

School Name \_\_\_\_\_

School Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_ School Phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

**Entry address:**

**APT Young Writers Contest  
Alabama Public Television  
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Birmingham, AL 35205**

**Entries must be postmarked by March 31, 2026**