



YOUNG WRITERS CONTEST

be empowered, write well

Theme: Overcoming Challenges

Top 3 Winning Entries and 12 Finalists
Win Attractive Prizes!

Writing Scholarships + Google Chromebooks
(worth up to \$1280)

Open to all Primary 4 to Secondary 5 students
Closing Deadline: 8 July 2022 (Friday)

Learn more at: www.website.com

1 | About the Contest

EduEdge's **Mission** is to *Empower* people so that they can *move forward in life* and *improve their lives*. To realise this goal, we believe that the answer lies in the **English Language**.

That is why we dedicate ourselves to helping students to not just improve their English grades but more importantly, **acquire and develop language skills**, which they will need *in life* and will be with them *for life*.

As one of the ways to forward this mission, the **EduEdge Young Writers Contest** is organised to promote excellence in writing for students of the Primary and Secondary levels.



Our goal with this contest is to provide a platform for young writers to express their creativity and hone their writing skills. At the same time, we celebrate our children's writing achievements.

This year, we invite all EduEdge students to respond to the theme of "Overcoming Challenges", producing essays that will give us a glimpse of how they will respond when facing adversity.

The **top 3 entries** from each category will be featured on our social media platforms.

There are also attractive prizes to be won!

All finalists and winners are eligible to receive **writing scholarships** and **Chromebooks** from our sponsor, **Scribo Campus**!

We can't wait to read all the stories submitted by contest participants!

2 | Prizes



All prizes are sponsored by [Scribo Campus](#), whose mission is to help every student develop a love for writing and become a high achieving English Writer.

Using Scribo Campus' **proprietary A.I. powered technology**, your child will receive **instant detailed feedback** on every essay they write!

The writing checks performed by Scribo will be especially useful whenever your child needs to submit an essay for school or if your child needs additional revision practices right before their Paper 1 writing exams.

There will be a Top Winning Entry and 12 Finalists for each category.

- Top Winning Entry: **Scribo Writing Scholarship + Chromebooks** (worth \$1280)
- 12 x Commendation Awards: **Scribo Writing Scholarships** (worth \$580)



3 | Categories

Level	Category	Type of Writing	Word Count
Primary 4 - 6	A	Creative Writing	150 to 250
Secondary 1 - 2	B	Mixed Hybrid (Reflective Recount)	350 to 500
Secondary 3 - 5	C		

3 Winning Entries and 12 Finalists will be selected in each category (A, B & C).

4 | Essay Topics

Participants must select an essay topic from the relevant category.

Category A (Primary 4-6)

Write a composition which is **between 150 and 250 words** about a **challenging situation**.

The pictures are provided to help you think about this topic.

Your composition should be based on **one of more** of these pictures.



Consider the following points when you plan your composition:

- What was the challenging situation?
- How was the challenging situation overcome?

You may use the points in any order and include other relevant points as well.



Category B & C (Secondary 1-5)

You are advised to write between 350 and 500 words for the following topic:

“The lessons we take from the adversities we encounter can play a significant part in our success later in life.”

Write about a time when you faced a challenge, setback, or failure. How did it affect you, and what did you learn from the experience?

5 | Judging Criteria

All essays will be evaluated based on the following:

- Relevance to topic
- Coherent and cohesive presentation of ideas
- Accuracy of language in terms of grammar, sentence structure, spelling and punctuation
- Appropriate use of varied vocabulary
- Appropriateness of register and tone

6 | Competition Rules

- This contest is open to all EduEdge and CDAC students who are in **Primary 4 to Secondary 4 / 5 (or its equivalent)** in 2022.
- The essay submitted must be in relation to the chosen topic within the relevant category. **Bonus points will be awarded to essays with unique local context.** The essay must be written entirely in English.
- Each participant may only submit ONE entry. The entry must be submitted via this **platform**.
- For Primary Level participants: The entry must include the **(a) participant’s full name, (b) parent’s mobile number** and **(c) parent’s email address**.
- For Secondary Level Participants: The entry must include their **(a) full name, (b) mobile number** and **(c) email address**.
- Only essays within the word count will be accepted. The essay must **not** exceed the maximum word count.
- **The essay submitted must be original work.** All essays must not have been published or awarded by other organisations or other competitions at the time of submission. Essays must not be plagiarised from other sources. In the case of any copyright infringement and/or plagiarism, the entry will be disqualified. As for the winning entries, qualifications will be cancelled, and the prize will be returned to the organiser.
- The final essay submitted must be the participant’s own work and cannot be excessively corrected or improved by another person.

- The copyright of the work sits with the original writer, however, EduEdge retains the non-exclusive, perpetual, world-wide, royalty-free license (with right to sublicense) to keep and use submitted entries for any purpose consistent with the mission of EduEdge, including educational, archival and research purposes, and for publicising EduEdge or any programme, including derivative works for such purposes, without additional consent from or paying a fee to the writer.
- The submission deadline is **8 July 2022 (Friday) at 2359 hours**. Late submissions will not be accepted.
- The judging panel will comprise representatives from EduEdge and Scribo Campus. Winning essays are selected based on the **judging criteria**. The judges' decision is final. We regret that there will be no email / phone replies to enquiries on the release of results.
- All winners and finalists will be contacted **by 31 July 2022** as per contact details (email address / mobile phone) given in their submission. Winners who are uncontactable will have been deemed to have made an incomplete submission, and the prizes will be withdrawn.
- All winners and finalists who receive prizes from Scribo Campus will be required to attend a Prize presentation ceremony and share their learning experience using Scribo Campus via a professional video shoot.
- Prizes are not transferable or exchangeable for cash. EduEdge and Scribo Campus accepts no responsibility for any tax or other liability that may arise from the prize winnings. Prizes are subject to availability and EduEdge and Scribo Campus reserves the right to substitute the prizes with another item of a similar value without prior notice.
- Submission of entries signifies your acceptance of the Competition Rules listed herein.