



Short Story Competition 2020-21

This year's title is *Blue*.

The competition is open to everyone and is free to enter. The winner in each of three age categories (junior school, 7-11 years; secondary school, 11-16 years; and adult, 16 years or over) will receive a £25 prize.

The rules are as follows:

1. Your story, 'Blue', may be any length up to 1000 words (excluding title) but no longer.
2. The story must be your own unaided work.
3. It must not have been published, including privately on a website, and must not have been submitted to any other competition.
4. The deadline for submissions is 14th February 2021.
5. Typed manuscripts are preferred but neatly hand-written ones will be accepted.
6. Do **NOT** put your name or any contact details on your manuscript. Those details (name, address, e-mail, phone number) should be given in a covering letter accompanying the manuscript.
7. The letter should also state whether you're in the 7-11, 11-16 or over-16 age category. If you're in the 7-11 or 11-16 category, please say how old you are.
8. The manuscript and letter should be sent to: CA Creative Writing Competition, 16 Cotton Close, Whaley Bridge, SK23 7GG.
9. The receiver will put a code number on both the letter and the manuscript before sending the manuscript to the judges. When the adjudication is finished the judges will tell the receiver the code numbers of the winning entries. The receiver will then use the number to identify the successful authors, who will then be informed.
10. The judges' decision will be final and no correspondence will be entered into. They will provide general feedback on the entries.
11. If you have any queries about the competition before considering a submission, please e-mail them to mark@markphenderson.com

Good luck!