# Imagine this...

# STORY WRITING CONTEST

Sponsored by the California Foundation for Agriculture in the Classroom, the *Imagine this...* Story Writing Contest challenges students to write creatively about agriculture and the world around them by writing narratives.

Third through eighth grade students in California are eligible to write a creative story about their favorite agricultural topic for the chance to be selected as one of six state-winning authors!



Winning stories are illustrated by high school art students and published in the *Imagine this...* Stories Inspired by Agriculture book each year!



# Imagine this... Story Writing Contest

Annual Deadline: November 1

# **Entry Details:**

- Stories must be written by one student author; no group entries allowed.
- Stories should not exceed 750 words.
- Stories should not be similar in theme to winning entries from previous years.
- Submit up to five stories from each classroom to your regional coordinator listed below.
- Each story must have an entry form attached.

### **REGION 1**: Jacki Zediker

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Butte	Lassen	Sierra
Colusa	Mendocino	Siskiyou
Del Norte	Modoc	Sutter
Glenn	Nevada	Tehama
Humboldt	Plumas	Trinity
Lake	Shasta	Yuba

#### **REGION 3**: Sandi Gist-Langiano

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Invo Mariposa San Benito San Luis Obispo Kern Merced Kings Mono Tulare

# **REGION 2: Doni Rosasco**

(209) 984-3539

Santa Cruz Calaveras San Francisco Stanislaus Contra Costa San Joaquin El Dorado Marin Santa Clara

#### **REGION 4: Mary Landau**

330 East Las Flores Dr., Altadena, CA 91001 (626) 794-4025

San Bernardino Los Angeles San Diego Santa Barbara

# Winning stories must be:

- Titled and original, creative student work
- Fact or fiction
- Appropriate for classroom use
- Grammatically correct
- Related to California agriculture in a positive way
- Typed, preferably, or neatly handwritten
- Written without reference to registered trademarks

## Awards & Recognition:

All students will receive a certificate and a packet of seeds for their participation.

Regional Winners: Up to two stories from each grade level in each region will be chosen for regional recognition. Each winner will receive a plaque, book about agriculture, & Resources for their teacher.

**State Winners:** One story from each grade is selected, illustrated by high school art students, and published. Each winner will receive a medal, e-reader, and an expense-paid trip to Sacramento for the student, teacher and two parents/guardians. The award ceremony takes place during the third week of March, at California Ag Day.





# **ENTRY FORM**

# Send story and entry form to your Regional Coordinator

Student Name		
Title of Story		
Grade	Word Count	
Teacher Name(print first and last name)		
Teacher Signature		
School Name		
School Address		
City, State, Zip		
School Phone ( )_		
County	Region Number (se	ee map)
Teacher's E-mail		
School District		
How did you hear about th	is contest?	
Hometown Newspaper		
Public School	Private School	Home School

Postmarked by November 1, annually