

Coventry Building Society's Young Writer of the Year competition 2025

Top tips and entry form



We want your imagination to run wild. And with prizes to be won*, we want you to go BIG with your idea, so let's get creative.

Start your story with this sentence:

'I came home from school and there was a mystery box at the end of my bed. I couldn't believe what was inside...'

Using only the lines on the entry form, we want you to make up a story. Your teacher will share our writing tips, but remember to:

- Add your name, school, year group and class name to your entry
- Include a title
- Use your best handwriting (if it is being handwritten)
- Write in black pen
- Use a blank piece of A4 paper (with your name, school, year group and class name on it too) if you're drawing a picture to go with your story.

To enter the competition, your story must start with the sentence

'I came home from school and there was a mystery box at the end of my bed. I couldn't believe what was inside...' and it needs to be given to your teacher by 5pm on Friday 29 November 2024.

This competition is open to all pupils in year groups 3, 4, 5 and 6 who attend a Coventry based primary school.

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Kindness changes lives.

We're passionate about making a real difference to the lives of young people in and around Coventry. That's why we work with local schools to help support children's education.

Good luck - and we hope you enjoy writing your story!

*There will be two runners up and one winner per year group category. There will be one runner up and one winner per year group for the English as an additional language (EAL) category. There will also be one overall competition winner for each category who is chosen out of the year group winners. Prizes include a Kindle Kids, access to English and Maths mentoring services provided by Explore Learning and vouchers for books or stationery. Winners will be announced on Tuesday 4 March 2025. Terms and conditions can be found at <https://www.coventrybuildingsociety.co.uk/member/why-choose-us/in-the-community/terms.html>.

