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WHAT & HOW

Who Can Enter?

- Students in Grades 8 to 12.
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What to Write

- Formats accepted: Short Stories.
- Genre – Fiction.
- Max word count: 500 to 650 words.

Submission Details

- Submit entries in PDF format only – on the submission portal.
- Up to 3 unique entries per participant (each submitted separately).

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