

# COMPETITION

Secondary Poetry Day



  
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FOR RHYTHM MASTERS AGED 11-19

# **Whether you're a spoken word poet or prefer to keep your words on the page, our poetry competition for 11-19 year olds couldn't be easier to enter.**

There's no set theme, although you may want to think about the ideas that are covered in some of the videos in our Secondary Poetry programme, such as identity, language and protest.

The most important thing is that the passion and energy of your words shine through, whether you're submitting a page poem or a spoken word performance piece.

## **If you're submitting a page poem:**

- It must be typed and double spaced, at least 12pt font
- It must be no more than 40 lines
- If submitting a series of shorter poems that work together, the total length must be no more than 40 lines

## **If you're submitting a spoken word poem:**

- You can submit a file which is audio only or a video of you performing the poem
- Recordings must be three minutes or less

**Competition opens on Friday 26th June and closes on Friday 31st July.**

**To submit your entry, email your story to [schools@bradfordlitfest.co.uk](mailto:schools@bradfordlitfest.co.uk) or [click here](#) to complete our online entry form.**

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# MORE INFO

Competitions open on Friday 26th June and close on Friday 31st July. Winners will be announced on Monday 31st August.

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Competitions have been designed to feel like classroom activities and to offer young people of all abilities an opportunity to participate.

Judging for this competition will be based on 3 criteria:

- How well the brief is met
- The level of enthusiasm/effort apparent in the entry
- Inventiveness

Entries will not be judged on spelling, grammar, handwriting or illustrative ability.

We appreciate that some will need additional help, that some will use computers and others will work on paper – the use of computers will not impact the judging in either direction.

Only one entry per person will be considered.

Unfortunately, it is not possible to offer feedback for every entry. We can only contact competition winners.