

# Imagine This...

## Story Writing Contest



### **Agriculture can help promote literacy for life**

If you count the number of items that come from farms and ranches in your classroom you'll see the natural connection agriculture has to all of your core subjects. Imagine you and your students have been given 500 acres—what would you grow? Take this opportunity to introduce your students to the world of agriculture and watch them discover the connection between what they are learning in school and their life in the real world.

Meet California State Board of Education Content Standards for grades 3-8 through this creative writing contest! Standards include: Writing 1.0 and 2.0 and Reading 1.0 and 2.0

### **Imagine one of your students as a published author!**

Six state-winning authors, one from each grade, will have their stories published in an illustrated book that will be distributed across the state.

### *Awards...*

#### **Regional Level**

Two stories from each grade level will be chosen for regional recognition and awarded:

- Plaque
- Children's literature book about agriculture
- Resources for their teacher

#### **State Level**

One story from each grade level will be chosen as the state winner and awarded:

- Medal
- \$100 savings bond
- \$100 worth of resources for their teacher
- Expense-paid trip to Sacramento for student, teacher and two parents/guardians for an awards ceremony during National Agriculture Week



**Deadline: Postmarked by November 1**

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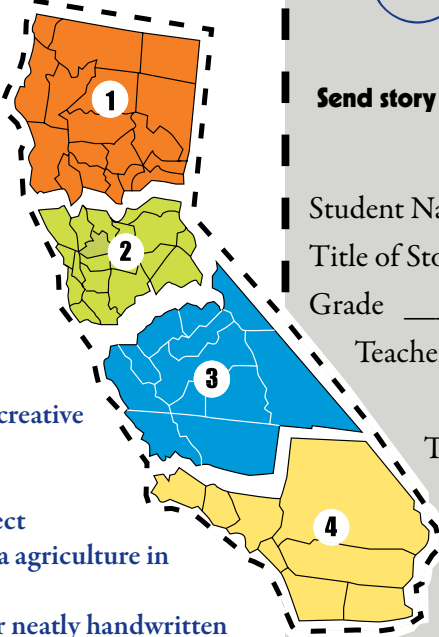
*All entries become property of the California Foundation for Agriculture in the Classroom (CFAITC) and will not be returned. Winning stories, illustrations and photos may be distributed to local/state media and reprinted at their discretion.*

## Entry details...

- Submit the top five stories from your class
- Each story must have an entry form attached
- Individual grade categories: grades 3-8
- Each story must be individually written by student authors
- Stories should not be similar in theme to winning entries from previous years' contests

## Winning Stories must be:

- Titled and original, creative student work
- Fact or fiction
- Grammatically correct
- Related to California agriculture in a positive way
- Typed, preferably, or neatly handwritten
- Written without reference to registered trademarks
- Stories exceeding 750 words will not be selected as state winners
- Suitable for illustration



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## Entry Form

**Send story and entry form to your regional coordinator (listed below).  
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Student Name \_\_\_\_\_  Male  Female

Title of Story \_\_\_\_\_

Grade \_\_\_\_\_ Word Count \_\_\_\_\_ Class Size \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher Name \_\_\_\_\_  
(Print first and last name)

Teacher Signature \_\_\_\_\_

School Name \_\_\_\_\_

School Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

School Phone \_\_\_\_\_

County \_\_\_\_\_ Region Number (see map) \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher's E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Principal \_\_\_\_\_  
(Print first and last name)

Superintendent \_\_\_\_\_  
(Print first and last name)

School District \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about this contest? \_\_\_\_\_

Hometown Newspaper \_\_\_\_\_

Public School  Private School  Home School

## Regional Coordinators

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