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"Who wants to be the next Shakespeare?" 2020 Term 4 Book Review Competition



Reading quality literature is essential for the continued development of literacy skills for all students.

When reading quality literature, students are exposed to correct sentence structure, paragraphing, spelling, punctuation and grammar. Most importantly, students encounter new and interesting vocabulary.

Who can enter the competition?

Years 1 to 5 WEMG/EMG students in Term 4 at Pre-uni New College

How to enter the competition

Students write and submit a detailed Book Review on their **Term 4 WEMG/EMG novel** (see the novel list below) using the official entry form provided.

Novel List for 2020 Term 4 Book Review Competition

Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
My Father's Dragon by Ruth Stiles Gannett	Mother Goose in Prose by L. Frank Baum	Stories of King Arthur's Knights by Mary MacGregor	The Railway Children by Edith Nesbit	The Shakespeare Stories by William Shakespeare

Competition Closing Date

All entries must be submitted **by 30th January 2021**.

Prize for Winners

Entries will be marked based on the students' knowledge and understanding of their texts. Winners will be announced **mid-March 2021**. The winning entries from each grade will be awarded a **\$100 Credit** that can be used for the Year 2021 Autumn Holiday or Term 2 WEMG course enrolment at Pre-uni New College.

For more information, please read the rules and conditions of the competition.



2020 Term 4 Book Review Competition – Rules & Conditions

1. This competition is open to Years 1 – 5 students who attend the 2020 Term 4 WEMG/EMG course at Pre–Uni New College.
2. All reviews must be based on the novel from the **2020 Term 4 Novel List** for each student’s appropriate grade and must be **submitted by Saturday, 30th January 2021**.
3. All reviews must be neatly written using PEN (not pencil) on the ‘Book Review Competition Entry Form’ which is obtainable from the head office.
4. Marks will only be given to well–presented and completed reviews according to the book review guideline below.

Years 1 & 2 Book Review

Fill in the information below based on the Term 3 novel. Answer in full sentences.

- What is the title of your novel?
- Who is the author?
- Does the book have illustrations?
- Who is the illustrator?
- Who are the main characters in the story?
- What is the story about?
- Does the story have a special message?
- Which part of the story did you like most and why?
- Who do you think would like to read this book?

Years 3, 4 and 5 Book Review

1. Book Summary

- What is the title of the book and who is the author?
- What type of narrative is the story? (e.g. adventure, fantasy, recount, mystery etc.)
- Who are the main characters and what is special about each of them? (Include information about their physical appearance, personality, interests, attitude to others etc.)
- Where is it set?
- What is the story about?
- Does the story have a moral?

2. Personal Opinion – What do you think?

- Is the book well written?
- Is the book exciting or not?
- Did the author use interesting words?
- Are there any illustrations? Are they effective in contributing to the story?
- Would you recommend this book?
- Who would you recommend it to?

5. The credit as the prize for this competition must be used for the 2021 autumn holiday course or 2021 Term 2 WEMG course enrolment at Pre–Uni New College. Parents must make the full–term payment one week before the course starting date. Unused credit will expire on 24th April 2021. The credit is not transferable and not redeemable for cash.

