



Annual Remembrance Day Literary Contest

Rules and Regulations

The Literary Composition Contest, part of the Legion's Youth and Education program, is meant to foster an understanding of the sacrifices made on our behalf by many young men and women in World Wars I and II, and the Korean War. To this day, many brave young men and women put their personal security at risk in the name of peace and humanity in places like Bosnia, Cyprus, and Haiti. East Timor, Afghanistan, etc.

The entry may be in the form of a poem or an essay.

When are the contests held?

Contests are held each year just prior to Remembrance Day by local Legion branches throughout Ontario Command. Winners of local contests have the opportunity to compete against other branch level winners at zone level, zone winners participate at district level, district winners at provincial level and provincial winners then compete at the Dominion or national level.

Categories

The contest is divided into three categories.

Senior	- Grades 10, 11 and 12
Intermediate	- Grades 7, 8 and 9
Junior	- Grades 4, 5 and 6

What can I write about?

The subject matter is remembrance. The writer's work should inspire or reflect upon remembrance.

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Candidates will submit an essay and/or poem based on the subject of REMEMBRANCE.

Entries may be printed, written, typed, computer generated, etc.

1. Entries may be submitted in English or French.
2. Candidates will use only one side of an 8½" x 11" page.
3. Entries will be marked on the basis of originality of thought, expression, presentation, grammar, spelling and Canadian content.
4. Each candidate to state clearly on a separate registration form his or her name, address, age, grade, name & address of school, and local Legion Branch so that it remains on the entry.
5. Poems can not have more than 32 lines (excluding title) and Essays can not have more than the word count stipulated for each age group (excluding title).

	Essay (words)	Poetry (lines)
Category 1		
Senior (Grades 10, 11 & 12)	800	32
Category 2		
Intermediate (Grades 7, 8 & 9)	500	32
Category 3		
Junior (Grades 4, 5 & 6)	350	32

6. Students may enter both the Essay and Poem contests, but may submit only one entry for each category.
7. All entries are to be submitted to their local branch of the Royal Canadian Legion.
8. Students who have been out of the educational system at any time for more than two years, are ineligible to compete in the Literary contest at any level.