

What does MYSTERY mean to you?

- Is it a puzzle to be solved?
- Is it tracking down clues to a crime?
- Is it the unknown in the cosmos?
- Is it the wonder in nature?
- Is it the magic of imagination?

Use your best poetic words to clue us in. Scavenge for good words. Don't stop at the first word that rhymes, but be a sleuth and seek out just the right word. Judges will be looking for evidence of creative word use in order to deduce which is the best poem!

PRIZES:

Six winners of \$50 each. Winners will also receive a book and an Imagination Celebration poster.

ELIGIBILITY:

Open to all fourth and fifth graders in the Pikes Peak region. Meets Colorado Model Content Standards 1, 2, and 4 for Reading and Writing.

CONTEST RULES:

1. One entry per student. Teachers are urged to review poems and submit no more than five per class.
2. Each poem must be the original work of the contestant.
3. Poems will be judged on originality, including poem title and adherence to the theme.
4. Submit two typed, double-spaced copies of each poem on 8 1/2" x 11" paper (no handwritten submissions or illustrations will be accepted).

Poems will not be returned. Please keep a copy.

Submission of a poem constitutes full permission to exhibit, use and publish the poem for any purpose – printed or electronic media – and to publish the name, school, and photographs of the student without compensation.

Jean Ciavonne Poetry Contest for Children

MYSTERY
POETRY

Entries must be postmarked by Sun., Feb. 28, 2016.

Entries may be mailed to:

The Jean Ciavonne Poetry Contest
c/o Nancy Maday
Pikes Peak Library District
P.O. Box 1579
Colorado Springs, CO 80901-1579

Or email entries, following guidelines above to:
Nancy Maday, nmaday@ppld.org

Questions?

Call Nancy Maday at (719) 531-6333, x2405



Award will be announced in mid-April in conjunction with the Young People's Poetry Week.

Cut and attach to poem — — — — —

name: _____ **phone:** (____) _____

home address: _____ **grade** _____

school name: _____ **school address:** _____

teacher name: _____ **principal's name:** _____