Eligibility Guidelines
- Entrants must be in kindergarten, first, second, third, fourth, or fifth grade.
- One entry per person per category.
- Only single-author stories written within the current school year are eligible.
- Stories can be fiction or nonfiction.
- Children of judges and KET employees are not eligible.

Entry Procedure
- Complete the online entry form: KET.org/WritersContest
- Entries may be uploaded via the entry form, or mailed to KET:
  KET Young Writers Contest
  600 Cooper Drive
  Lexington, KY 40502
- Entries must be submitted digitally, or postmarked by, midnight EST May 1, 2020.
- KET is not responsible for postage-due mail or late, lost, misdirected, damaged, incomplete or illegible entries.

Story Format & Illustrations
- Student's full name and grade level must be included on a cover or title page, or at the top of the first page.
- All work should be the front of the page.
- Lined paper is permitted, but illustrations should be on an unlined area.
- Text should be written legibly or typed.
- Invented spelling is accepted, but the intended words should be clear.
- Each entry must include at least 5 original illustrations.
- Digital artwork should be student generated.
- All characters must be original.
- Copyrighted names and images are not allowed.
- Nonfiction work based on research should include a list of sources used.
- Students may conference with parents, teachers, and peers on their work.

Word Count
- Kindergarten and first grade stories must include between 50-200 words; second and third grade between 100-300 words; fourth and fifth grade between 100-400 words.
- The word count includes "a," "an," and "the" but not words that enhance illustrations, such as labels.