

# Historica Canada Education Portal

## Aboriginal Arts & Stories: Junior Writing Teacher's Guide

The Junior Writing learning tool provides interactive classroom activities that aid in the research and creative process, as well as encourage critical thinking. The guide outlines four projects that explore cultural significance and personal awareness.

The annual Aboriginal Arts & Stories deadline is March 31. Please note that the contest accepts submissions year-round; post-deadline, submissions will be considered for the following year's contest. The contest is open to Canadians of Indigenous ancestry (self-identified, Status, Non-Status, Inuit, and Métis) between the ages of 9 and 29. We ask Indigenous youth to create a piece of writing (max. 1,000 words) or art that explores Indigenous heritage or culture.

Your entry into the Aboriginal Arts & Stories competition must include a 200-400 word writer's statement that explains how your piece explores Indigenous heritage and culture and tells us a little about yourself. The prompts in the Writer's Statement section are guidelines; you may choose to express yourself differently. You may enter online at [our-story.ca](http://our-story.ca) or by mail.