

<p style="text-align: center;">CATEGORY <i>*Creative Writing*</i></p>
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EVENTS:

Poetry
Fiction

RULES

1. All entries must be original. Each piece may only be entered one year.
2. Entries may be on a religious or a secular topic, but all entries must be in harmony with the doctrines and lifestyle standards of the Church of the Nazarene.
3. All entries should be displayed before an audience at the local church prior to being displayed at Xtreme.
4. Acceptable fonts are Times New Roman and Arial.
5. Entries are to be typewritten on 8 1/2 x 11 inch typing paper, double-spaced, 12 point font, pages numbered, and must be contained in a cover. The name, district, age level, and category of the entrant is to be included at the top right hand corner of the first page, followed by any title of the piece centered underneath.
6. Please check your writing for grammatical, spelling and punctual errors before submitting.
7. No piece can be submitted in both speech and creative writing categories.

GUIDELINES OF THE COMPETITION

1. Sources quoted must be properly cited. All pieces must be narrative in structure.
2. Initials of the author should be typed in the bottom corner of each page in case the text becomes separated.
3. Only one copy must be submitted to judges, and the entrant should keep an extra copy in possession in case of loss.
4. Judging sheets are to be filled out according to instructions given and placed inside the entry cover.
5. Entries are judged on the basis of organization, content, style, grammar, logical flow, creativity, and depth of thought.
6. Entries may be of any length, yet excessive or inadequate length without cause may bring a deduction of points.

Kansas Xtreme - Evaluation Form Creative Writing: Fiction

Name _____ Middle School _____ High School _____
 District _____ Home Church _____
 Name of Piece: _____

I - Outstanding II - Excellent III - Average

Narrative perspective	PLOT	15 14 13	12 11 10	9 8 7
		Very appropriate and effective sequencing of scenes	Somewhat appropriate and effective sequencing of scenes	Somewhat lacks appropriate and effective sequencing of scenes
	CHARACTERIZATION	15 14 13	12 11 10	9 8 7
		Very appropriate development of characters	Somewhat appropriate development of characters	Somewhat lacking appropriate development of characters
	POINT OF VIEW	15 14 13	12 11 10	9 8 7
		Very good use of the most effective narrative perspective	Somewhat good use of the most effective narrative perspective	Fair use of the most effective narrative perspective
	TONE	10 9	8 7	6 5
		Very relevant mood and pace of the story	Somewhat relevant mood and pace of the story	Somewhat lacking relevant mood and pace of the story
	SETTING	7	6 5	4 3
		Very good use of place as an expressive part of the fiction	Somewhat good use of place as an expressive part of the fiction	Fair use of place as an expressive part of the fiction
PRESENTATION	5	4	3	
	Correct use of all grammar, punctuation and spelling	A few issues with grammar, punctuation and spelling	Many issues with grammar, punctuation and spelling	
TOTAL POINTS		***Please write constructive/helpful	comments on back.	

RATING TABLE

I 57-67 pts.
(Outstanding)

II 44-56 pts.
(Excellent)

III 31-43 pts.
(Average)

Kansas Xtreme - Evaluation Form

Creative Writing: Poetry

Name _____ Middle School _____ High School _____
 District _____ Home Church _____
 Name of Piece: _____

		I - Outstanding	II - Excellent	III - Average
<i>Meter and free verse</i>	IMAGERY	15 14 13	12 11 10	9 8 7
		Imagery is very expressive and shapes the poem	Image is somewhat expressive and shapes the poem	Imagery lacks expressiveness in areas
	RHYTHM	15 14 13	12 11 10	9 8 7
<i>Word-choice, figures of speech, syntactical patterns</i>		Rhythm very effectively uses line lengths and beats	Rhythm somewhat effectively uses line lengths and beat	Rhythm needs improvement using line lengths and beat
	DICTION	15 14 13	12 11 10	9 8 7
		Very good	Fair	Somewhat lacking
<i>Stanzas</i>	SOUND VALUES	10 9	8 7	6 5
		Very good use of alliteration and rhyme	Good use of alliteration and rhyme	Fair use of alliteration and rhyme
	LINE GROUPINGS	7	6 5	4 3
RATING TABLE I 57-67 pts. <i>(Outstanding)</i>		Very good use in traditional or verse form	Somewhat good use in traditional or verse form	Somewhat lacking use in traditional or verse form
	PRESENTATION	5	4	3
		Correct use of all grammar, punctuation and spelling	A few issues with grammar, punctuation and spelling	Many issues with grammar, punctuation and spelling
II 44-56 pts. <i>(Excellent)</i>				
III 31-43 pts. <i>(Average)</i>				
TOTAL POINTS		***Please write constructive/helpful		comments on back.
