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2026 Book Spine Poetry Contest Winning Poems

Ages 5-8 Category



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1st place: Leyton Toor, Saskatoon

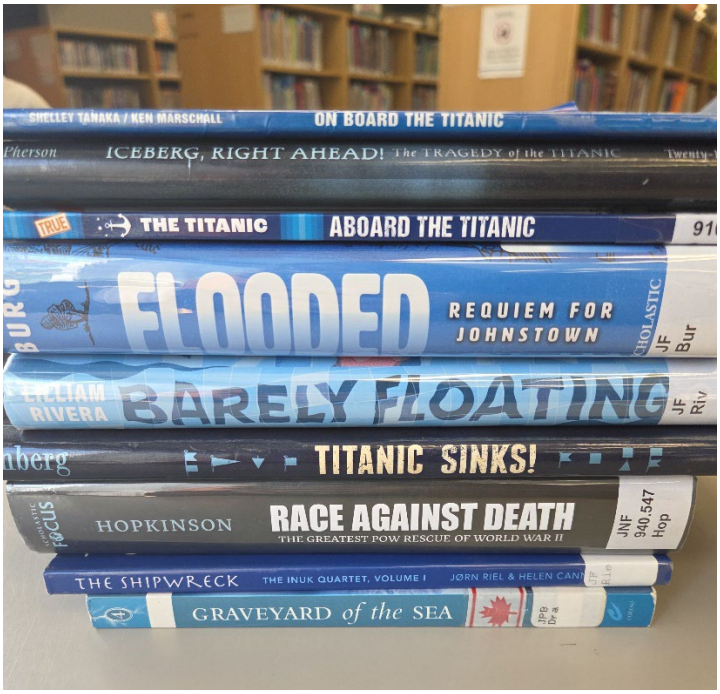
Dear Girl,
I Am Human
I Think, I Am
Dream Big, Little One
Dream On



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2nd place: Evelyn Mundell, Caronport

One Fish Two Fish Red Fish Blue Fish
Run. Jump. Whiz. Splash
What If…
We Move Together
Look Look!
Down The Drain!
Up & Down
I Knew You Could Do It!
Can You See It?
At The Ocean
Hello, World!

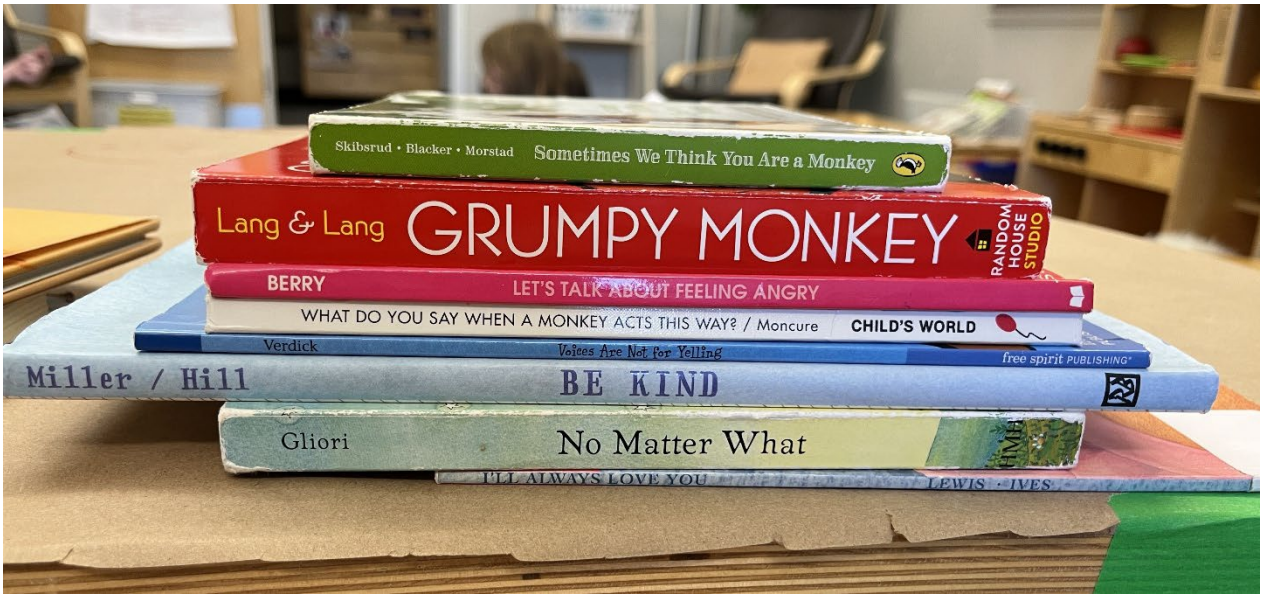


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3rd place: Finnley Halladay, Moose Jaw

On Board The Titanic
Iceberg, Right Ahead!
Aboard The Titanic
Flooded
Barely Floating
Titanic Sinks!
Race Against Death
The Shipwreck
Graveyard of the Sea

Ages 9-12 Category



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1st place: Isaac Mundell, Caronport

Sometimes We Think You Are A Monkey
Grumpy Monkey
Let's Talk About Feeling Angry
What Do You Say When A Monkey Acts This Way?
Voices Are Not For Yelling
Be Kind
No Matter What
I'll Always Love You



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2nd place: Quinn Matz, Regina

The Day You Begin
Courage To Soar
Taking Flight
Keeping Pace
Finally Seen
I Am Enough
These Are My Words
Finally Heard



Ages 9-12 Category

3rd place: Hanley McCracken, Elrose

Building A Future
In Your Dreams
A Road Unknown
One True Path
We Are All Made of Stars
A Glorious Freedom
This Wonderful Thing
See You On A Starry Night

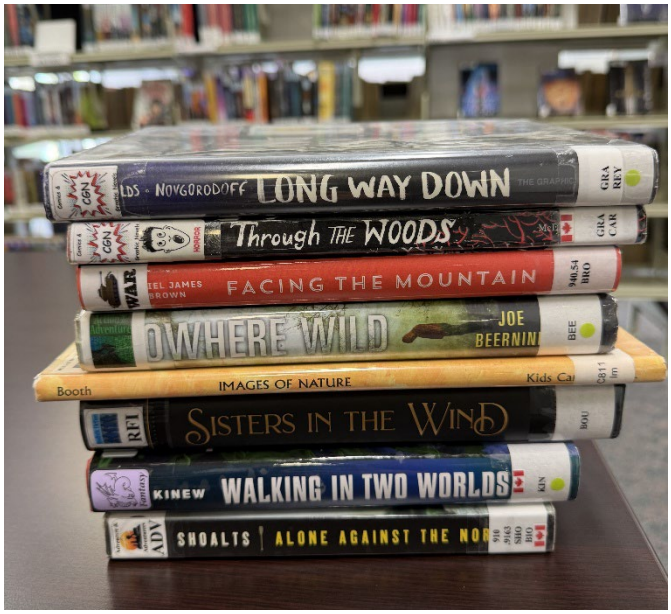
Ages 13-18 (Teen) Category



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1st place: Olaronke Olaleye, Yorkton

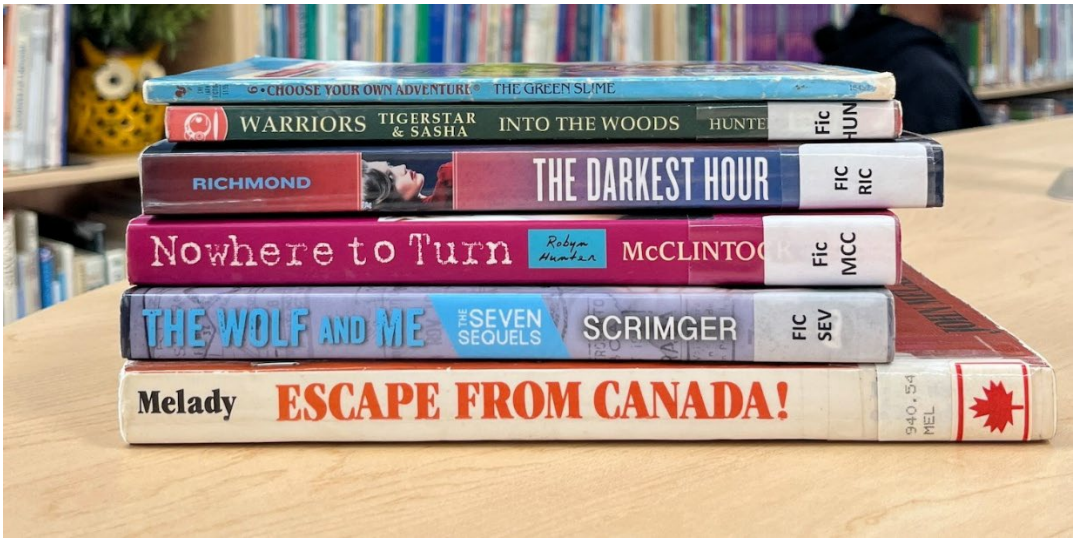
The Lines Of Courage
Whisper
The Heart's Lonely Secret
Every Time We Say Goodbye



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2nd place: Josephine Akinnubi, Melville

Long Way Down
Through The Woods
Facing The Mountain
Nowhere Wild
Images of Nature
Sisters In The Wind
Walking In Two Worlds
Alone Against The North



Ages 13-18 (Teen) Category

3rd place: Deandre Villalon, Eston

Choose Your Own Adventure
Into The Woods
The Darkest Hour
Nowhere To Turn
The Wolf And Me
Escape From Canada!

Ages 19+ (Adult) Category



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1st place: Ricki Siemenes, Caronport

Oceans Apart
Our Last Wild Days
Come Back To Me
Blue Skies
Invincible Summer
Barefoot In The Sand
Yes
Promise Me This
Never Forget
You, Me, And The Sea



Ages 19+ (Adult) Category

2nd place: Sheri Jones, Maymont

Eliza Starts A Rumor
The Night She Died
Just Some Stupid Love Story
Between Friends
Wrong Place Wrong Time
Deadly Little Scandals



Ages 19+ (Adult) Category

3rd place: Stacey Fowler, Annaheim

Highway Of Tears
The Mountains We Call Home
The Lost Girls
These Are The Stories
The Hitchhikers
Wrong Place Wrong Time
Vanished
No One Saw A Thing
The Silent Girls
Find Me
Still Missing
Never Knowing
Gone For Good
A Family Torn Apart
Staying Strong 365 Days A Year