

## KATHA CREATIVE WRITING SEARCH FOR EXCELLENCE

Dear Students

Katha is organising 'The Creative Writing Search for Excellence 2017' for classes VI-XI. Interested students are requested bring their original writings (fiction/nonfiction, poetry or prose) and submit it to their respective English teachers latest by August 25, 2017. The topics for various classes have been given below:

### Classes VI-VIII:

- a. If I become the Prime Minister of India for one year, I will...
- b. You're late for work because you overslept, but your boss hates over-sleepers. He does love entertaining stories, so create the most outlandish excuse as to why you were late.

### Class IX-XI:

- a. If you had the chance to create your own country, what would it be called? What kinds of laws, cultural traditions will it have?
- b. It was the last gift on the table. It was a black case with a note on it: *To my best friend, on her birthday, I present to you the toy called Time. Handle with caution.* As she opened the case, she saw something that resembled a watch...

**Poetry prompts:** you may write a poem in any of the following topics:

- In conversation with God
- The world of my dreams
- Dear friend
- Mirror
- What you wish you knew when you were younger
- Autobiography of 100 rupee note
- Nature

Please note that the poetry prompts are the same for all grades. These simply offer a general context. Your poems may have different titles.

The word limit for prose writings is 500-750 words. Give a suitable title to your stories and essays.

This is the first phase of this program which will be followed by a Regional Writer's Workshop in the month of October, to be attended by a selected group of budding writers. The final stage is a three day national level workshop in the month of December.

Those selected at the school level will have to pay an entry fee which is 300/- for grades VI-VII and 500/- for grades VIII-XI

Every year this workshop sees pan Indian participation and only selected entries make it to the second round. Please make sure you submit only ORIGINAL writings for this workshop.

For more information refer to the following link: <http://www.ilovereading.in/>