



Dear Teachers and Lovers of English language,

We are pleased to invite you and your students to our  
**Original English Prose and Poetry Competition 2012** -  
creative writing in English language.

Our Schools of C.S.Lewis are happy to organize this international competition 11th year and offer to your students another chance to express their deep thoughts and feelings based on their personal sensitive observations and creative way of writing.

We would like to share with your students great experience of joining a group of young authors and give them a professional feedback from the Judge Committee. Students are from various types of Schools and this is the excellent challenge, especially for children that use English as a second language.

Throughout those previous years we have been impressed by the standard of writing. We have received very interesting poems and stories and the judges performed the difficult task of deciding which one was the best. Three chosen pieces in each category are printed in a very original brochure.

This Annual we would like to invite your students to write a poem or a story that will go with this year's theme: **JUST LIKE ME**.

We would be pleased if you could find young fans of writing among your students. Please send their submissions for evaluation by Judge Committee. We would appreciate if you could help us in evaluation process before the Award Ceremony and proof-reading part before printing the brochure.

**Dead-line is March 8th** and the **Award Ceremony will be held on May 9th**.  
PLEASE follow the attached **instructions** and **FILL IN** the **Registration Form**.  
We look forward to receive and read students Works.

Many thanks for all your support and cooperation.

Sincerely,

Saša Petriskova, Coordinator

#### INSTRUCTIONS:

We keep the categories as follows below. In order to choose the right category for your student, please pay attention and attach age, frequency of English lessons and if they are the native speakers. The judges will take into consideration all these differences. You may help the students with HOW to write, but not the actual writing process.



### CATEGORIES:

**Group A** (6th & 7th graders, age 12-13)

**Group C** (8th & 9th graders, age 13-15)

A - poetry, A - prose

C - poetry, C - prose

from Základné školy

**Group B** (6th & 7th graders, sekunda&tercia, age 12-13)

**Group D** (8th & 9th graders, kvarta&kvinta, age 13-15)

from 8-ročné gymnáziá and schools with extended teaching of English

B - poetry, D - poetry

B - prose, D - prose

**Group E** (age 15-16 )

from 8-ročné gymnáziá, Bilingual High Schools, International Schools

E - poetry

E - prose

**Group F** (age 16-18)

from 8-ročné gymnáziá, Bilingual High Schools, International Schools

F - poetry

F - prose

Please, encourage your students to follow requirements as follows:

Prose entries must be:

500-800 words (Group A, Group B);

800-1000 words (Group C, Group D), and

1000-1200 (Group E, F);

PLEASE:

- All entries must be with English quotation marks,
- All entries must be typed and have 2 copies submitted by mail;
- All entries please send by e-mail in Word document;
- Evaluation will be based on originality, proper English usage, form (poetry) and style (prose).
- Each school may send a maximum of 4 entries in each category (two proses and two poetry entries or 4 pieces of one)

### Deadlines are as follows:

- **March 8, 2012** - Final entries with application forms to be submitted: to CZŠ Narnia, Beňadická 38, 851 06 Bratislava, [sasa.petriskova@gmail.com](mailto:sasa.petriskova@gmail.com)
- **March - April, 2012** - entries will be evaluated
- **April - May** - winning works prepared for publishing
- **May 9, 2012** - Award Ceremony + workshop for students