



2017 WAFC FOOTY WRITING COMPETITION

The WAFC Footy Writing Competition is an ideal way for teachers to help motivate reluctant writers and prepare students for the upcoming NAPLAN tests.

The competition is open to all Year 3 and Year 5 students in Western Australia.

Entries close Friday April 7. No late entries will be accepted.

Prizes will be awarded to the winners and their schools in both Year 3 and Year 5 categories.

HOW TO ENTER

- Write your original narrative of 1,000 words or less.
- Complete the entry form.
- Stories may be submitted in hard copy to **postal address** or electronically to **email address**.

FORMAT OF ENTRY

- Your entry must include the entry form.
- DO NOT PUT YOUR NAME ON YOUR WRITING (just on the entry form) as judges will be supplied anonymous entries.
- Use a standard font eg. Times New Roman, 12 point, double spaced.



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CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

- Your school must have an AFL School Ambassador on staff.
- Your narrative must begin with the story starter supplied (below).
- Your entry must not exceed 1,000 words.
- You must be in Year Three or Year Five in a Western Australian school.
- Your cover sheet must be signed by your class teacher and your school's AFL School Ambassador.
- Entries will not be returned to you; you may wish to keep a personal copy.

JUDGING

- An independent judging panel will assess the entries using the NAPLAN narrative marking guide.
- The entries will be assessed on the following ten criteria: audience, text structure, ideas, character and setting, vocabulary, cohesion, paragraphs, sentence structure, punctuation, spelling.

PRIZES

- There will be one Year Three winner and one Year Five winner selected from the entries.
- The winning students will receive a football Guernsey of their choice and a football.
- The schools of the winning students will receive a prize pack including books from Penguin Random House Australia (valued at \$250), a school visit from children's author Timothy Bristow (author of Billy the Brilliant) and more.

STORY STARTER

To help get you started on your narrative we have supplied you with the opening paragraph. You must begin your story in this way (you may change the names), but where you take it after that is entirely up to you and your imagination.

"Crash!" The shattering of glass rings in my ears. This football match was destined for disaster, right from its beginning. Macca tempted me to the challenge, I knew we had to do the chores before Mum came home, now my footy is lost forever; everyone on Dundas Street knows when the footy goes over the fence at number 17, there's no getting it back! It all started...

If your school does not have an AFL School Ambassador you can register by following the links at <http://www.wafootball.com.au/schools/school-ambassadors/program>

We look forward to reading your stories. Good luck and happy writing!



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- ENTRY FORM -

STUDENT DETAILS

Name:

School:

Year Level:

Title of Entry:

AFL SCHOOL AMBASSADOR DETAILS

Name:

Email:

Phone:

Signature:

Class Teacher Signature:

Submitting Entries:

All entries may be emailed to

schools@wafc.com.au

Or can be **posted** to:

David Lindsay

Manager Schools Programs

WA Football Commission

PO Box 275

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