



# ISA YOUNG STORYTELLERS COMPETITION

Students are invited to write a story on the theme:  
'Under the sea'

Open to EYFS - KS1

Competition open to ISA Members' schools only.

Visit the ISA website for more information

Deadline

Thursday 27 March

2025

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ISA Arts invites EYFS and KS1 students to use their imagination and write a short story together. The most creative and exciting stories will be selected as winners. Each of the winners will be illustrated by a professional artist and published in a book. This competition provides an opportunity for ISA Member schools to encourage young children to work together on a creative project. The skills that they might use/develop include:

- Listening
- Generating and sharing ideas
- Planning a story
- Using new vocabulary
- Group decision making
- Working as a team

### Eligibility

This competition is open to ISA Members' schools only. Schools can submit a maximum of three entries in total. Stories must be a collaborative endeavour by a class or smaller group of pupils (5 minimum) and typed up by a teacher/staff member. The same pupil cannot be entered in more than one group.

We encourage schools to run their own competition in house and submit their successful entries in the competition.

*At ISA, we are committed to making our opportunities accessible, we welcome applications from all pupils, including those with learning difficulties or disabilities. Alternative formats of these guidelines are available on request. Please notify us at the earliest opportunity so we can provide the document accordingly, if required.*

### Competition Categories

Schools are invited to create a story of no more than 250 words long under the theme 'Under the Sea'.

- EYFS
- Key Stage 1

Schools are invited to submit one piece of artwork to illustrate their story. The artwork must be produced by pupils in the same age category as the rest of the group. This is optional, however if included the image must be high quality as it may be published in a book.

### How to enter

Submit your entry via the form [here](#) on the ISA website on **Thursday 27 March 2025** at the latest.

- Organise one or two sessions for your class or group to write their story. Encourage your students to discuss what will happen in each line of the story and write down their ideas.
- Each story must have a title and not exceed 250 words.
- Stories can be written in any language, provided an English translation is given.
- Your story must be attached as a Word doc or PDF (must be typed, not handwritten and fit on one A4 side)
- Please name your file with the school name followed by the group name e.g. SchoolName\_Class1

If you have any questions, please contact [isaarts@isaschools.org.uk](mailto:isaarts@isaschools.org.uk).

We look forward to receiving your entries.