

# a Lesson

## LittleStar CISB Short Story Competition 2017-2018



### Theme: A LESSON

Everyone has lessons to learn. As students, we have all had many memorable lessons at school – a lesson that we love, a lesson that we hate, and a lesson that we will remember for a long time. As a person, we also learn lessons from life. Lessons in life are awesome, because of the change they can make in our hearts.

### Entry Requirements

Short stories: 2,000 words maximum (no minimum); the title is not included in the word count. Entries must be the sole work of the entrant, must not have been published (including self-published) on any form of online or offline media, and must not have been used in any other competition.

### Entry Format

Entries must be in English, with pages numbered, and the word count and entrant's name noted at the top of the first page. The filename for online entries must be: **the title of the entry + byline of the author's name + age level + school name** (E.g. A Lesson Forever by Alice\_16\_CISB). The submitted file must be a Word document, single-spaced, and with text aligned to the left. Preferred font of the text is Times New Roman, size 12. No corrections can be made following submission. Failure to comply with the entry requirements will result in disqualification. All entries must be submitted online at [www.internationalschool.info/littlestar/competition/shortstory](http://www.internationalschool.info/littlestar/competition/shortstory). LittleStar will confirm receipt of entries via email.

### Eligibility

The competition is open to all international school students in China, competing in four age groups:

- Group I: 9 years old and under
- Group II: 10-12 years old
- Group III: 13-15 years old
- Group IV: 16-18 years old

### Deadline for submission

Closing date for submission of online entries is **15 January 2018**.

### Prizes

There will be ONE 1<sup>st</sup> prize winner; TWO 2<sup>nd</sup> prize winners; and THREE 3<sup>rd</sup> prize winners for each age group. In addition, LittleStar Magazine will award the grand prize of the latest Apple iPad to one student writer of LittleStar's choice. The winner will also have the opportunity to do an internship at LittleStar Magazine.