



HAIKU CONTEST FOR TEENS

CELEBRATE NATIONAL POETRY MONTH BY WRITING A HAIKU.

CONTEST OPEN TO STUDENTS IN GRADES 7-12.

ENTRIES ACCEPTED APRIL 1-24 BY 5PM.

Prizes: One grand-prize winner and two runners-up will be selected at each branch.
Grand prizes: \$25 gift card. Runners-up prizes: Notebook and pen.
You must live in Clallam County to qualify for prizes.

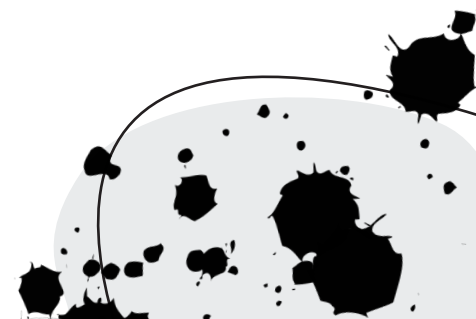
Feeling poetic? Write a haiku and see how much impact you can make in just three lines!

Use a 5-7-5 pattern (5 syllables in the first line, 7 syllables in the second line, and 5 syllables in the third line). See examples on the back.



*Judging will be anonymous, please fill out the form on the back with your name.
You can only enter once, and your writing must be your own work (no AI).*

This program is generously supported in part by local Friends of the Library groups.



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Name _____ Grade _____

Parent/Guardian Name _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Address _____

Winners and runners-up will be contacted by phone or email.

My NOLS Branch

(If you use the Bookmobile, check your nearest branch location.)

☐ Clallam Bay Branch Library ☐ Port Angeles Main Library

☐ Forks Branch Library ☐ Sequim Branch Library

I give permission for the teen's first name to be announced on the library's social media, online at NOLS.org, or other library marketing if they are selected as a winner or runner up.

- ☐ Yes, it's okay to share first name and haiku.
- ☐ No, but it is okay to share their haiku anonymously.
- ☐ No, don't share their name or haiku.

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

Haiku is a poetic form originating in Japan. In English, haiku are most often three unrhymed lines which are five, seven, and five syllables long. Haiku typically describe imagery that helps to capture a moment in time.

Here are some examples of haiku:

"In cold, clear water
jumping raucously upstream,
salmon return home."

"A rock holds jewels:
sea star, barnacle, mussel.
Tidepool full of life."

"Warm smell of baking
Chocolate, butter, vanilla.
Dad's famous cookies."



Prefer to enter online? Visit: NOLS.org/Contest

