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## **~ Media Advisory ~**

### **SHORT STORY WRITING CONTEST FOR TEENS**

*Springfield Public Library invites teens to write an original short story*

Young adults in grades 6-12 are encouraged to write a short story for the Springfield Public Library's Teen Short Story Writing Contest. The story must include the sentence: *No one knew for sure how it happened.* The deadline is Friday, October 30 at 5pm. Entries must include a submission form available at the library or online at [wheremindsgrow.org/teens.html](http://wheremindsgrow.org/teens.html).

Stories will be judged on creativity, grammar and style. First-, second- and third-place prizes will be given in two categories: Middle School and High School. Prizes include gift certificates to Smith Family Books, writing journals and books about the craft of writing. Prizes are sponsored by Smith Family Bookstore and the Cressey Charitable Trust. All entries will be published and added to the library's collection.

**What:** Springfield Public Library's Teen Short Story Writing Contest

**When:** Deadline for submissions is Friday, October 30 at 5 pm

**Where:** Enter at the Springfield Public Library

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