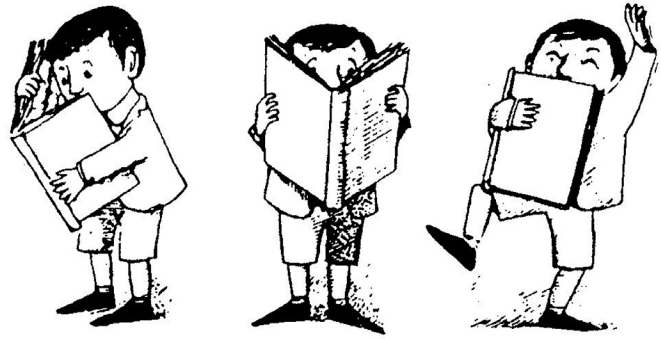


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## A Funny Thing Happened After School ... Children's Writing Contest 2024

What is the funniest thing you can imagine happening after school one day? Do you suddenly have magical powers -- but you can't control them? Or you get lost on the way home -- and find yourself in a zoo? Maybe you discover that your mom is your new bus driver! Tell us the funniest story you can imagine.

Entries are due in the store **before March 1**. Winners in each grade level (one through eight) will receive gift certificates from The Open Door, and awards will be announced in the spring.

Please observe the following rules:

1. You may enter the contest if you are in first through eighth grade.
2. Your entry must be your original work. You must have your parent's or guardian's permission to enter, and your parent or teacher must sign the entry form saying that you have done the work yourself.
3. Your entry must be printed in ink or typed on white paper 8 1/2" x 11", **one side only, two pages or less. We are sorry; we cannot read more than two pages!** Write your name, address, grade, and school on your entry. Submit a copy of your story, not the original. Entries cannot be returned.
4. One entry per person.
5. No video or audio tape entries will be accepted.
6. Submit your story and entry form to The Open Door, 128 Jay Street, Schenectady, N.Y. 12305 **before March 1, 2024**.

**Please fill out the form below, cut on dotted line, and STAPLE it to the front of your story. Please PRINT clearly! Each story must have its own entry form.**



NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

(house/apt number, street)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(city, state, zip code)

SCHOOL \_\_\_\_\_ SCHOOL PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

GRADE \_\_\_\_\_ TEACHER \_\_\_\_\_

This story is original, written by the above-named student without help.

Parent or Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY! WE MUST BE ABLE TO READ YOUR NAME!**