



PBS SOCIAL WRITERS CONTEST



Get Ready to **WRITE!**

If you could write a story about anything, what would you write about?





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Brainstorming Where the best stories begin.

Brainstorming is a way to come up with new and different ideas. Use this activity booklet to write or draw whatever comes to your mind. You'll end up with a GREAT STORY!



Story Structure All stories have a beginning, middle and an end.

Write down or draw how you want the story to start, what happens during the story, and how will it end.

Beginning

Middle

End



For more information and how to enter visit:

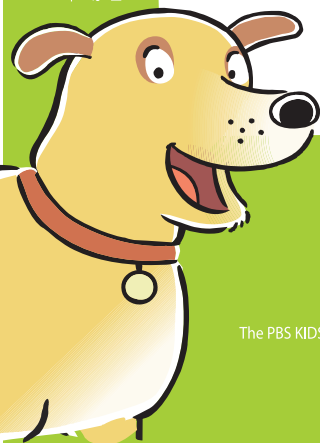
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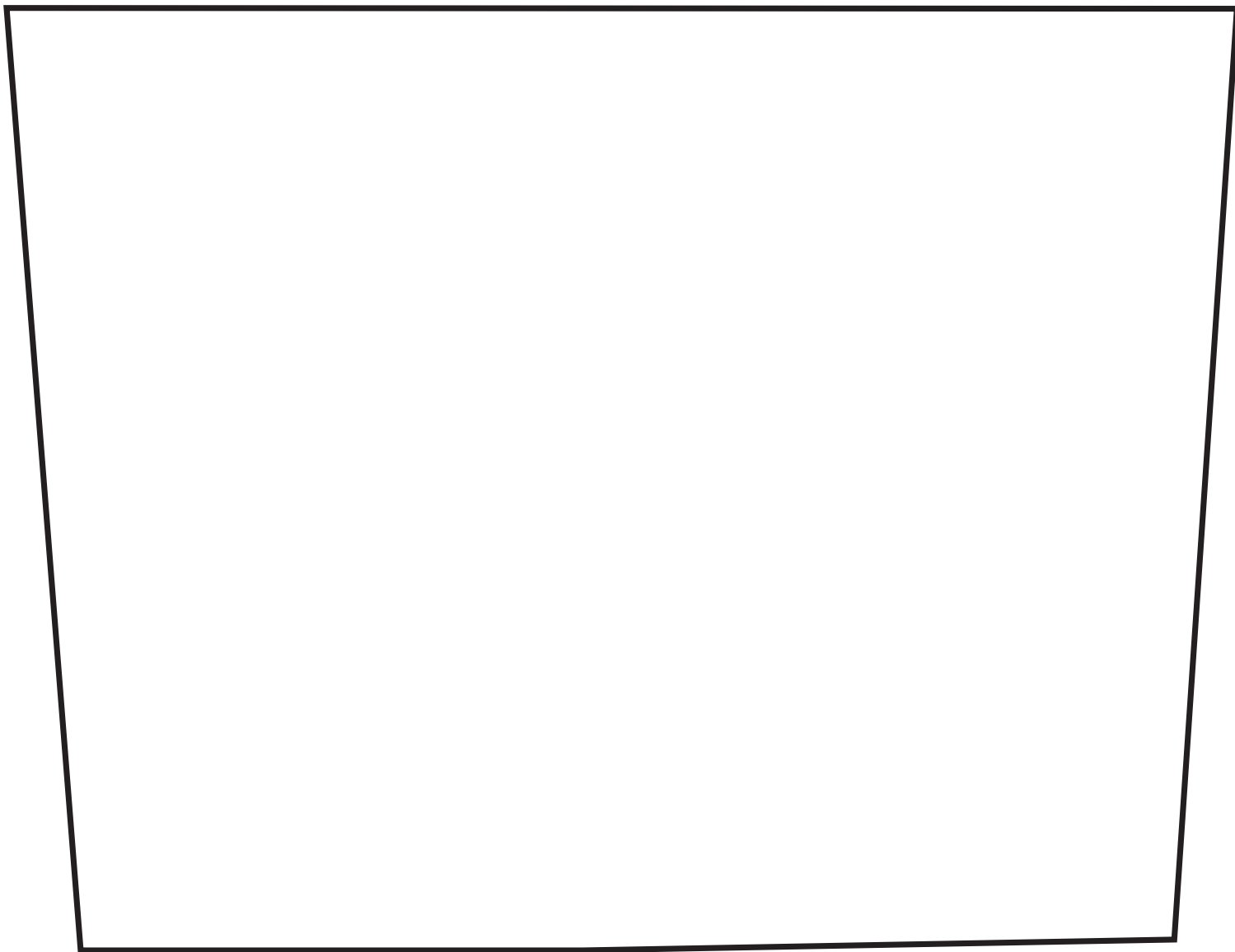
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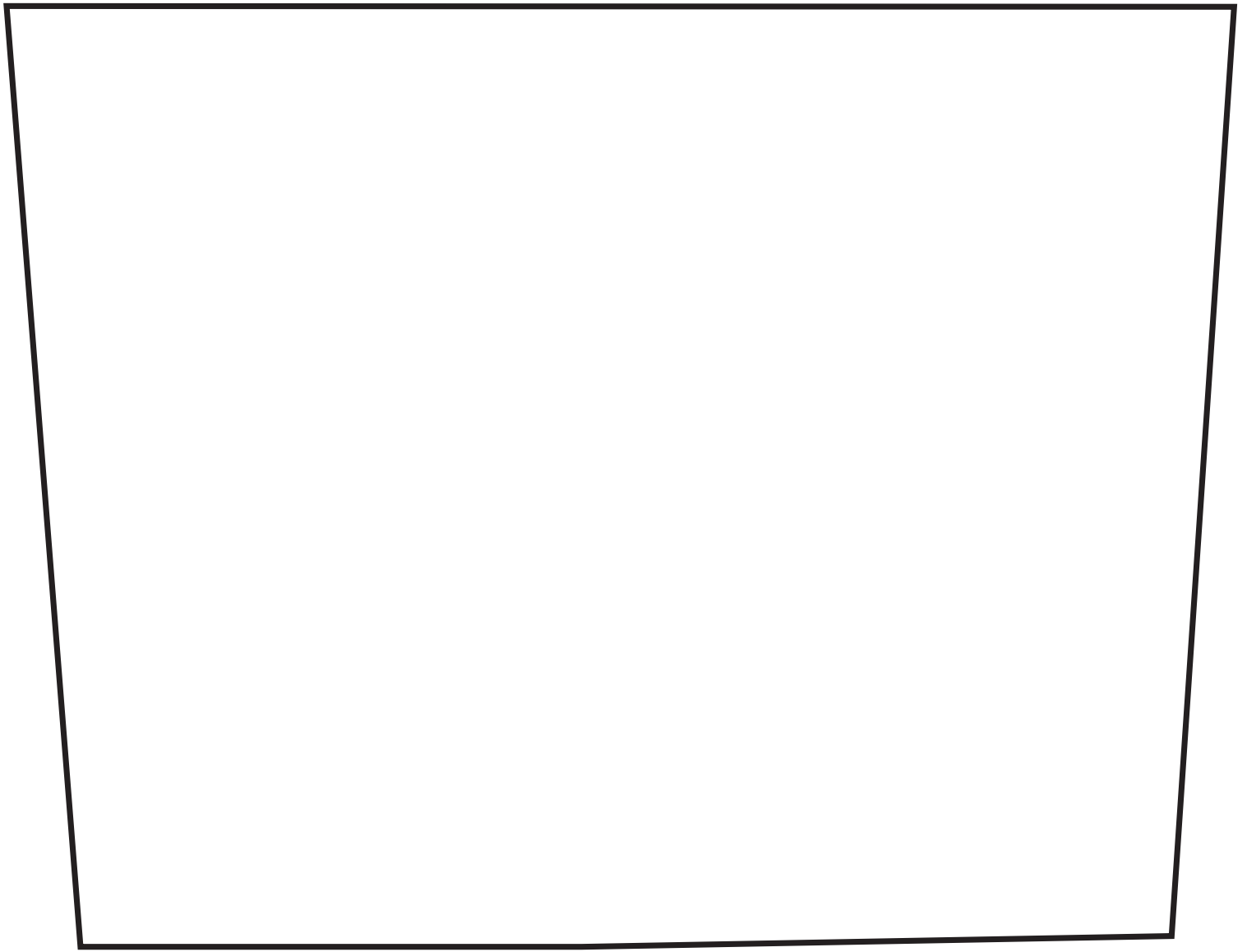
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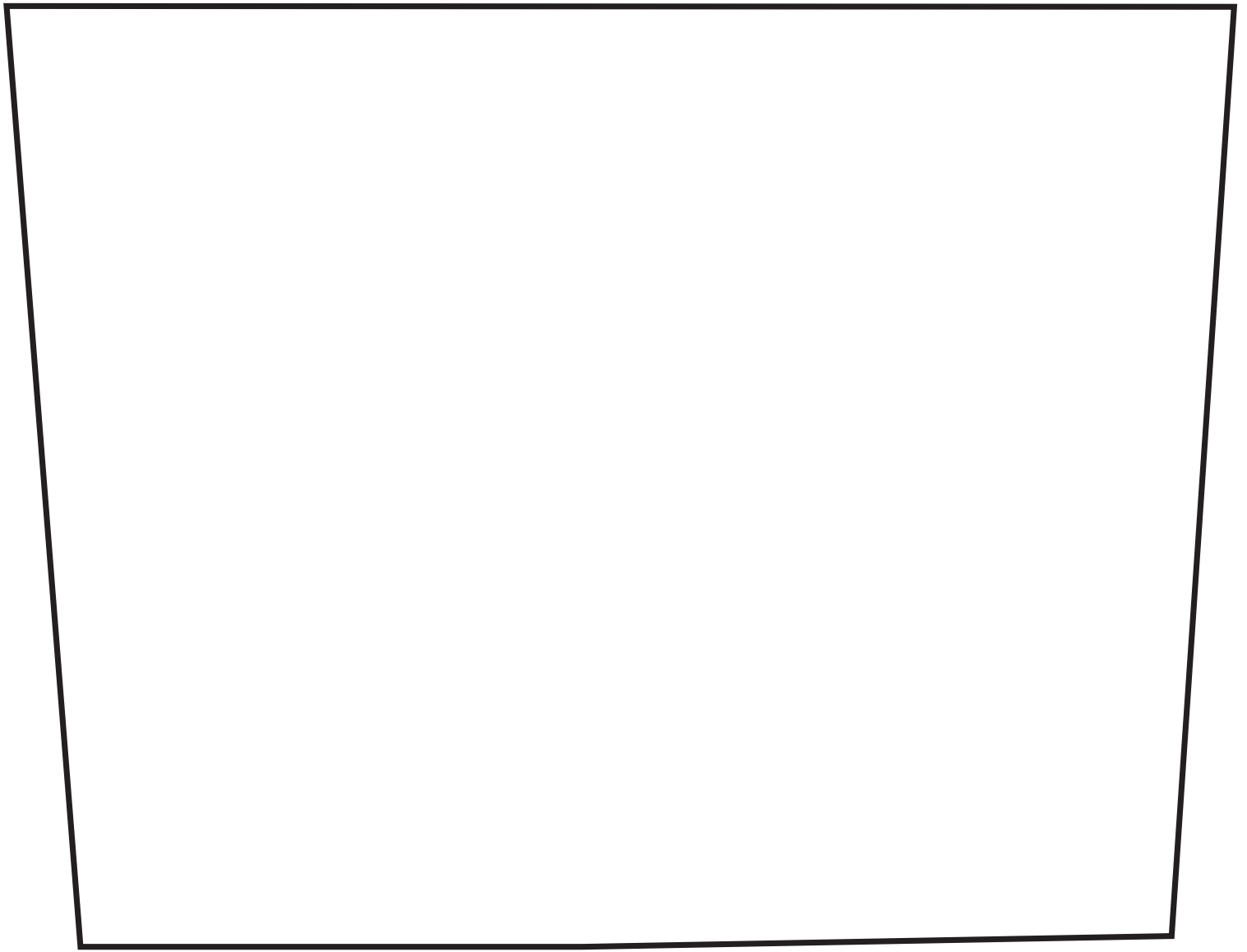
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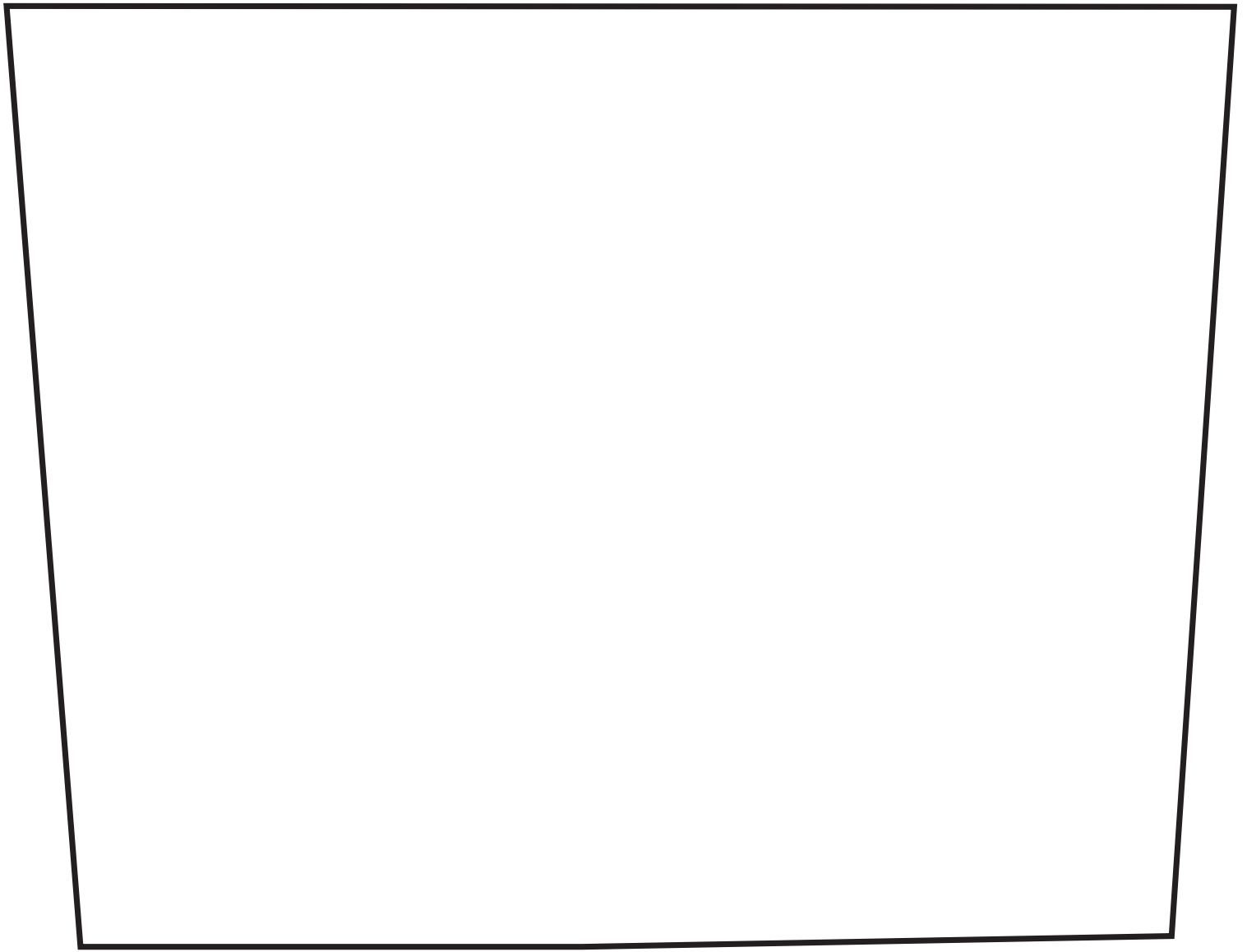


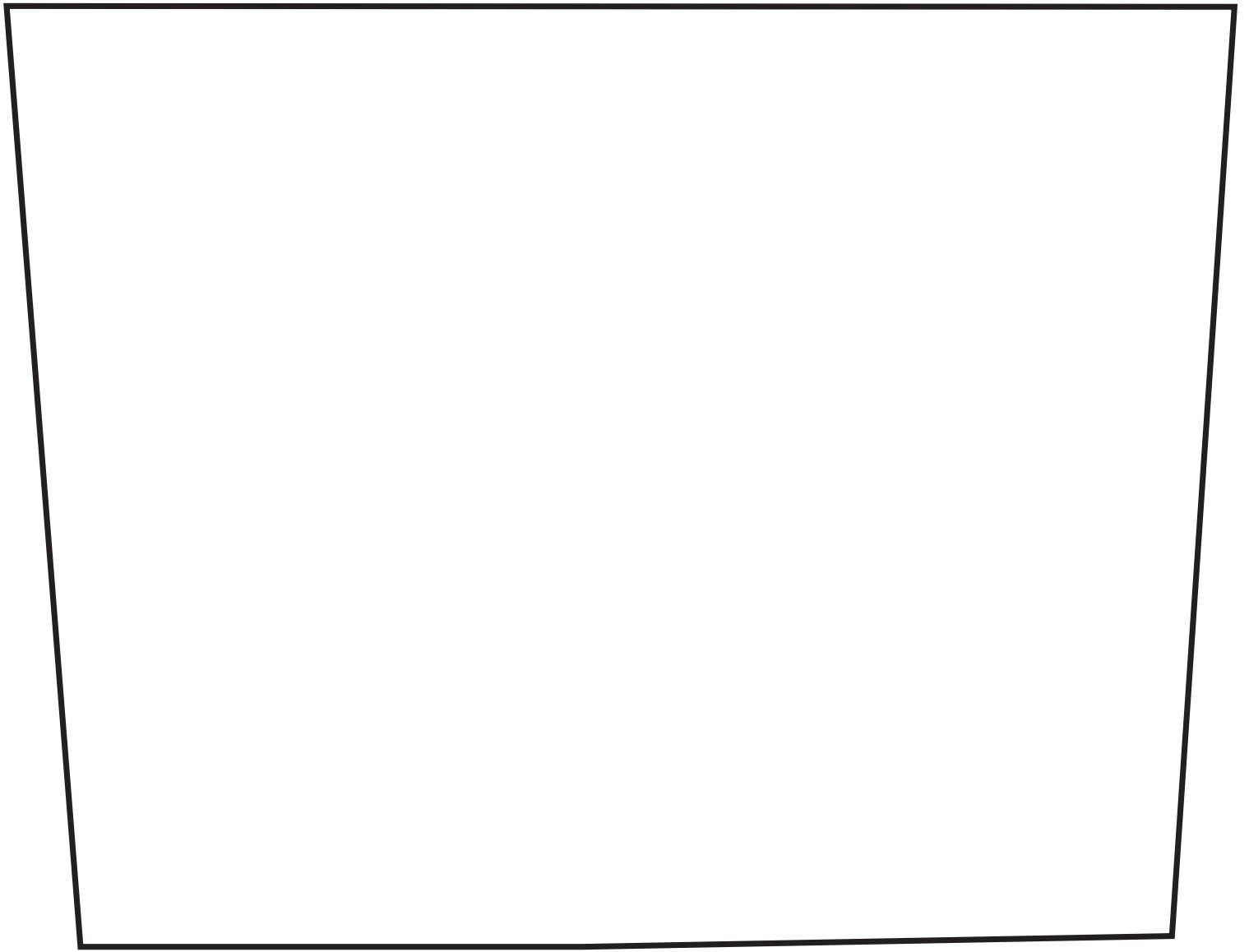
Story running long?
Grab another sheet of paper!





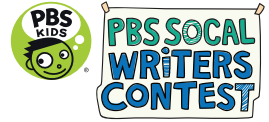








PBS KIDS Writers Contest Entry Form



Type or print legibly

Child's Name _____ Age _____

Child's Mailing Address _____

City/State/Zip _____ Home Phone (_____) _____

Circle Grade: **Kindergarten** 1st Grade 2nd Grade 3rd Grade Sex: F M

Title of Story _____

Number of Words _____ Word count range: Grades K-1 minimum-50, maximum-200

(The word count includes "a," "an," & "the.") Grades 2-3 minimum-100, maximum-350

Number of Illustrations _____ (minimum of 5)

Only one entry per child • Only single author stories (no co-authors) • Story must be original work of the child • Original art can include drawings, collages, 3-D and photos taken by the author • Story may be fact or fiction, prose or poetry • Use only one side of the paper • Number each page on the back • Text must be printed/written legibly or typed • Children who can't write may dictate their story to be printed or typed • Invented spelling is accepted • Story text may be on pages with illustrations or on separate pages • Word count includes "a" "an" "the" but not words on nonstory pages (e.g. title page) or those that enhance illustrations

I acknowledge that I have read the Contest rules & regulations prior to signing this and that I understand the rules.

Required:

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Email address: _____

Printed Name _____ Date _____

If different than the above address:

Mailing Address _____

City/State/Zip _____ Phone (_____) _____

Optional for Promotional Offers to Parent/Guardian named above from PBS KIDS partners

Yes / No (circle one) PBS KIDS partners may contact me via email up to two times for promotional offers related to the PBS KIDS Writers Contest

Optional for School-Related Entry:

Teacher Signature _____ Email address: _____

Printed Name _____

School Name _____

School Mailing Address _____

City/State/Zip _____ School Phone (_____) _____

Mail your entry form and story to:

**PBS SoCal
Attn: PBS KIDS Writers Contest
3080 Bristol Street, Suite 100
Costa Mesa, CA 92626
The deadline for entry is July 31, 2020**

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