

***Ninth Annual***  
**FRANCES LEVER MEMORIAL WRITING CONTEST**

Literacy Link Eastern Ontario is pleased to announce the Ninth Annual Frances Lever Memorial Writing Contest.

The contest is open to all adult LBS learners within our region, and begins on Wednesday, January 25, 2012 with a closing date and time of Wednesday, March 21, 2012 at 4:30 p.m.

Once again, we will have categories for the 5 LBS Levels. There will be a winner in each category, and the prize is **\$50.00!**

The contest rules are as follows:

The writing is to be done in class.

Your entry must be typed, double spaced.

Times New Roman, 12 point font.

Plain "8.5 x 11" format, no watermarks, no graphics.

The title of your piece and your name is to be at the top of each page.

To enter your story in the contest follow these steps:

1. Submit your story as an **attachment to an email** addressed to [donna@lleo.ca](mailto:donna@lleo.ca)

Faxed copies of your story **will not be accepted.**

2. Complete an **Entry Form / Release Form** and fax it to our office at 613-507-5174.

***Note: If you would like your entry published, you must complete and sign the release form at the bottom of the entry form.***

3. All entries must be received by 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 21, 2012. Entries received after this date and time will not be eligible.

This year's contest will be based on the following painting by Canadian artist Louise Olinger. Louise resides in Alberta.



The Contest details, entry form/ release form are also available on the LLEO website at [www.lleo.ca](http://www.lleo.ca) under the **What's New** link.

***What your work will be evaluated on:***

Meet contest rules as specified  
Focus, development and organization  
Voice, vocabulary, and sentence variety  
Grammar and mechanics  
Creativity

***Assignments for each Level***

***LEVEL 1***

Your assignment is to write a ***paragraph of not less than 25 words.***

***LEVEL 2***

Your assignment is to write a short piece of ***not more than 200 words.***

***LEVEL 3***

Your assignment is to write a story, of ***not less than 200 words and not more than 350 words.***

***LEVEL 4***

Your assignment is to write a story which is ***not less than 300 words and not more than 500 words.***

***LEVEL 5***

Your assignment is to write the ***first chapter of a novel.*** Your submission should be ***not less than 300 words and not more than 600 words.***

The contest deadline is **March 21, 2012 at 4:30 p.m.** The winners will be announced on **May 09, 2012.**

Please keep a copy of your work. We cannot return submissions.