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### **SPRINGFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY ANNOUNCES SHORT STORY CONTEST FOR TEENS**

*The library is holding a writing contest for young adults between the ages of 12 and 19*

The Springfield Public Library announces a short story contest for teen writers. Stories will be judged by library staff members and prizes will be awarded to two winners. The rules of the contest are as follows:

1. The story must begin with the sentence: *I am alone in the library.*
2. Writers must be 12-19 years old.
3. Stories can be no longer than 3,000 words.
4. Stories must be typed and double-spaced.
5. DO NOT put your name on your short story. Instead, fill out the Short Story Submission form available at the library or online at <http://www.ci.springfield.or.us/library/teen/teenwriters.htm>
6. Turn in your stories at the library reference desk. No email applications, please.
7. The deadline is Wednesday, January 31, 2007.

**What:** Library is accepting short story submissions

**When:** The deadline is Wednesday, January 31, 2007

**Where:** Applications in the library's young adult center and online

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