

You have two powerful prompts to choose from:

Prompt One

Write a letter in the form of a song, poem, or short writing (up to 800 words) to an adult in your life. Tell them what you wish they understood about growing up online. What does it feel like when you hear adults talk about the internet - as if they know, but don't really see you? What are the things you've tried to say that no one seems to really hear? Let your words say what your heart has been holding in.

Prompt Two

In the form of a song, poem, or short writing (up to 800 words) write about a monster you met online. Not the kind hiding under beds, but the kind who hides behind a screen. Someone who pretended to be kind, safe, or trustworthy... until their mask slipped. What did they say? How did they make you feel? When the truth came out, did you tell anyone? And when you did - did anyone listen? Did anyone care? This is your chance to name the monster in whatever way you choose and reclaim your voice.

Vulnerability and honesty are not things to hide from. They are your superpowers.

This contest isn't about grammar or perfection. It's about expressing yourself and having a good time. Whether your story is heavy or hopeful, what matters most is your voice. We are listening so this is your moment to speak to us.

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CALLING ALL OREGON TEENS BETWEEN THE AGES OF 14-17

The Lioness In The Darkness is hosting a Writing Contest just for YOU.

Two winners will be chosen in August 2025 and will receive:

- A signed author copy of the psychological thriller "If I Was There".
- A set of exclusive The Lioness In The Darkness stickers.
- A personalized gift box handpicked by the founder of TLTD, Brie.

Submissions open now through July 31st.

Two ways to enter
Email your entry to

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with the subject line: TLTD Teen Writing
Contest Entry. Make sure to include your
chosen entry and your contact
information.

Or Scan for Google Form

