Two Minute Tales

Dear Teacher,

<u>Two Minute Tales</u>, BBC Northern Ireland's short story competition for children, is back.

We want children aged between **5 – 16** to write a short story of no more than **300 words** based on the theme *'What happened this winter...'*.

Teachers can submit entries using our <u>online uploader</u> or they can enter single or **bulk** submissions at once via <u>email</u> or <u>via post</u> - having first obtained permission from parents or guardians.

They must also agree to the <u>competition rules</u> and read the <u>privacy notice</u> before submitting entries.

Entries close at 8pm on Tuesday 7th November 2023.

Those who enter will have the chance to hear their wonderful short stories brought to life on BBC Radio Ulster... or even made into their very own animation!

Entries will be split into four categories. Three English language for ages **5** – **8**, **9** - **12** and **13** -**16**, and one <u>Irish language</u> category for ages **5-11**. Twelve stories will be shortlisted, three in each category.

All finalist stories will be voiced by an actor and will be broadcast on **The Lynette Fay Show** or **Blas** on BBC Radio Ulster in the run up to Christmas 2023.

The top story in each category will be <u>turned into an animation</u> and featured across the BBC.

We can't wait to read your pupil's Two Minute Tales!

For more information, go to: www.bbc.co.uk/twominutetales

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