

Ashley Lin, Shawn Zhao, Catherine Dang 獲英文作文比賽前三名

青少年英文刊物 [龍在天涯] 歡迎學子投稿詩文或圖片

[龍林學苑]與[華盛頓領導學院]於九月底舉辦的[青少年英文作文比賽](Youth Writing Contest)，日前成績業已揭曉。該比賽的作文題目為“**Why I love my favorite book?**”除了前三名學生可獲獎學金一百元、六十元、三十元之外，另外三名佳作亦分別可獲得獎狀和獎品一份。此外，獲獎的學生將應邀擔任兩個主辦單位合辦的青少年英文刊物“Dragon Youth Magazine”(龍在天涯)的小記者。該比賽的結果如下：

- 第一名 **Ashley Lin**
- 第二名 **Shawn Zhao**
- 第三名 **Catherine Dang**
- 佳 作 **Andy Jin, Derek Chu, Michael Xie**

以服務社區、發揮青少年影響力為宗旨的“Dragon Youth Magazine”，目前正緊鑼密鼓籌備十一月份的“Fall Issue”(秋季季刊)，青少年編輯和記者們計劃將他們對社區的服務理念和經驗刊登於雜誌上。該雜誌亦歡迎青少年投稿，無論是英文作文、小詩、有趣的漫畫或是，可愛的圖片，都歡迎寄給該刊物的兩位編輯：Jasmine Wung <jasminewung@gmail.com>; or Joanne Lee <joanne1097@gmail.com>。稿件一旦被採用，主辦單位將致贈一份獎品給投稿的學生。歡迎家長鼓勵孩子投稿。電話詢問：240-460-4594。



“Dragon Youth Magazine”(龍在天涯)的編輯和小記者們開會。

[2011 Dragon Youth Writing Contest]

(1st Place)

Why I Love My Favorite Book?

Ashley Lin (6th grade)

My favorite book is 'Tom Sawyer' by Mark Twain. I have read this book many times before, and it inspires me each time I read it. With varieties of characters, lots of dialogue, and each chapter a grabbing one, nobody can decline reading this book without putting the book down.

The first reason I like this book is because each character is different. Tom Sawyer is one of the most interesting ones. Being mischievous, you may think all he causes is trouble. While that is partially true, Tom has a grateful heart that that can admit that he is wrong and asking to forgive him. He also saved Becky's life by being brave and traveling in the cave, even if they didn't have food and candles.

Huck is a savage boy in the story, with him swearing and smoking unlike well-mannered boys. But he still saves Widow Douglas when Injun Joe and the stranger plan to take revenge.

The second reason is that this book has a lot of dialogue. Dialogue makes the reader seem like they are actually in the book, and talking to the characters. It also makes the reader think, "Hey, that's what I would do!" and relate the story to their lives. In fact, there were actually a lot of pages that was entirely dialogue! That makes me try to say it myself!

Grabbing chapters are crucial to a book's success. So that is why it is my third reason. 'Tom Sawyer' gets the reader's attention just by the first paragraph; the first chapter will let the reader keep on reading until the story is finished, and even then you won't want to put it down, you just want to read it over again. The last sentence in each chapter leads on to the next chapter, and if you stop you will still wonder about the next chapter.

'Tom Sawyer' is my favorite book and I have enjoyed it since I was little. This book will stay my favorite book for a long time, because of the grabbing sentences and characters, with the feeling that I am in the book also. I hope you will enjoy this book too!