COP30 Poetry Competition

Group entry form instructions

1. **Ask your group/class to create** their poems based on the theme ‘There is no planet B’.
2. Entries need to be submitted electronically, so please **scan or photograph** entries if needed. If you are sending a large number of entries, we suggest moving them to a shareable folder (on, for example, Google Drive, Dropbox or Teams), rather than sending a message with multiple attachments. Remember to set permissions that allow us to download entries so we can share them with the judges.
3. **Complete the form** on the next page.You can extend the table if needed.
4. **Send the form *and* *either* the files *or* a link to a folder** to Outreach@space-park.co.uk.

**Entries must abide by the rules below and arrive by 23:59 (UK time) on Thursday 13 November.**

Rules

1. You can submit one poem per person.
2. Poems must be written in English, but entrants do not have to live in the UK.
3. Each poem must have a title and be no more than 40 lines long (500 words for a prose poem), not counting the title.
4. Poems must be the entrant’s own original work and should not be AI-generated. You may write out or type up poem if the poet cannot do so, but must not make any changes to the work.
5. Poems can be submitted as a text document (.txt, .rtf, .doc. .docx), pdf or as a photograph. Please make sure entrants names do not appear on the document or photo.
6. Published poems – including those that have been broadcast, or shared on a website or social media – and any poem that has been placed in another competition before 1 October 2025 are not eligible.
7. You must send a fully-completed entry form with the poems.
8. Entries must be sent to Outreach@space-park.co.uk and arrive by 23:59 (UK time) on Thursday 13 November 2025.
9. Please be patient: it may take us several days to let you know your entries have arrived.
10. The judge(s) will read all entries. Their decision is final and they will not offer feedback on any individual poem.
11. We will notify winners by noon on Tuesday 18 November. If any winner cannot be present, we will make arrangements for someone to read their poem at the event and get the prize to them.
12. We will send everyone who enters a list of the prizewinners by the end of November.
13. The copyright of poems remains with the writer even if you tick the box on the entry form giving us permission to publish their poem.
14. For category winners, accepting the certificate/prize gives NCEO/SPL permission to share the poem at the event on 19 November and to use it in publications (including on websites and social media), even if you such permission has not been given on the entry form. Once again, the copyright of the poem remains with the poet.

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| **Group/school name**  |  |
| **Town, city or county or country if not UK** |  |
| **Your name** |  |
| **Email address** |  |
| **Entry file name** | **Entrant name** | **Age category\*** | **May NCEO/SPL publish this?** ✓ = yes 🗶 = no |
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