

4-H CREATIVE WRITING PROJECT

St. Joseph 4-H - Youth Program  
St. Joseph County, Michigan

Following is a list of "suggested" (not required) "writing projects" from which to choose when developing 4-H Creative Writing project exhibits for fair. You are encouraged to try different writing projects each year in order to best develop your writing skills.

FICTION

- \* short story
- \* stage or screen play
- \* lyrics
- \* greeting cards
- \* original story about a picture/photo
- \* "extended story"/"fractured fairy tale"  
(i.e. Cinderella's life in the  
"happily ever after")
- \* mystery
- \* science-fiction
- \* fantasy
- \* opposing point of view  
(i.e. "Three Little Pigs" story told  
from the Wolf's perspective)
- \* commercial/advertisement
- \* "period piece" (historical fiction)

POETRY (@)

- \* ballad
- \* couplet
- \* sonnet
- \* blank verse
- \* free verse
- \* haiku
- \* cinquain
- \* "tongue-twister"
- \* limerick
- \* alphabet poem
- \* diamante
- \* simile
- \* metaphor
- \* tanka
- \* onomatopoeia

NONFICTION

- \* journalism  
(i.e. feature story, editorial, news  
article, etc.)
- \* biography
- \* autobiography
- \* historical piece  
(i.e. regarding your family, community, etc.)
- \* text of a speech
- \* "how to" instructions
- \* correspondence  
(i.e. thank you, sympathy, congratulations,  
request for information, etc., including a  
correctly prepared mailing envelope)
- \* crossword puzzle
- \* script for radio/television interview  
(i.e. questions to be asked by interviewer)
- \* essay  
(i.e. persuasive, argumentative, informative)

(@) See examples of these various types of poetry attached.