



## Personal Essay Contest

# Favorite Places, Special Spaces

**WHAT:** We all have places we treasure. For some of us, it's outposts in our own backyards and for others it's a nook on the other side of the world. The reasons that we love these locales can show us a lot about ourselves.

In 500 words or less, tell us about the spot where you most like to be in the world.

**HOW:** Write a personal essay (no longer than 500 words) about this place.

**WHEN:** All entries must be postmarked by Dec. 31, 2008. One entry per student, please.

**WHERE:** Mail your entries to  
*READ* Magazine  
Favorite Places, Special Spaces Contest  
Weekly Reader Publishing  
1 Reader's Digest Road  
Pleasantville, NY 10570-7000

**PRIZES:** Four winners will be selected by a special guest judge

Each winner will receive a cash prize.

Winning entries will be published in the May 1 issue of *READ*.

## ENTRY FORM

Entry Category (check one): \_\_\_\_ Junior (grades 6–8) \_\_\_\_ Senior (grades 9–12)

Title of Entry: \_\_\_\_\_

School Name: \_\_\_\_\_

School Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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School phone number (with area code): \_\_\_\_\_

Student name: \_\_\_\_\_

Student age and grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher name: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

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Signature of teacher/principal/parent

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