

Satisfactory resolution



*Clear beginning,
middle, and
ending*



Originality & Creativity

*Strong, authentic & distinct
voice*



*Stories that show,
not tell*



*Uncommon genres &
settings*



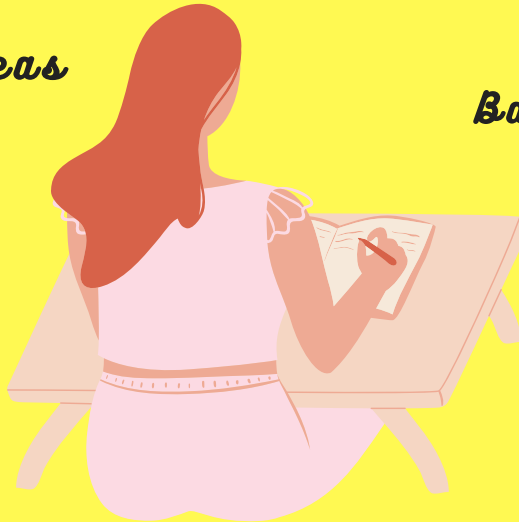
What judges want...

*Well- executed
stories*



Clarity of ideas

Balance of light and shade



Well-edited stories



*Balance of dialogue,
description of setting, and
action*



*Meets competition
guidelines*



*To be surprised, delighted,
entertained. To be wowed!*