

BEST BOOKS FOR KIDS & TEENS ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

1. All children's books written and/or illustrated by Canadians are eligible for consideration, provided they have a valid ISBN. In addition, magazines, CDs, CD-ROMs and DVDs produced in Canada and/or created by Canadians or featuring Canadian performers are also eligible.
2. A Canadian is, for the purposes of the committees, deemed to be a citizen of Canada or a landed immigrant who has lived in Canada for at least two years.
3. The committees will consider any children's book, magazine, CD, CD-ROM or DVD written or produced in English; any translation from another language into English; and any children's book, magazine, CD, CD-ROM or DVD produced in two or more languages, where one is English and where the versions are bound together. They will not, however, consider titles originating abroad but purchased for Canadian publication, other than those written, illustrated or created by a Canadian.
4. For *Best Books for Kids & Teens 2010* we will accept any title published from 2007 onward, provided it has not been submitted before.
5. New editions of previously published works are not eligible for consideration; however, collections of published works are eligible supposing all other criteria are met.*
6. A book, magazine, CD, CD-ROM or DVD must be in print and available for commercial distribution at the time of judging. Imprints from non-standard publishing houses are eligible, provided they have been assigned valid ISBNs or ISSNs.
7. Galley proofs intended for binding and distribution in the near future may be considered at the committees' discretion. Committees reserve the right to postpone reviewing a galley proof if they feel it is not in a complete enough state to be judged fairly. A title that has been postponed for consideration for this reason may be submitted in finished book form the following year.
8. Both fiction and non-fiction materials are eligible, for age levels up to and including eighteen years of age.

*Please note that we do appreciate receiving new editions of previously published books. If the first edition was selected for an earlier year of *Best Books for Kids & Teens*, we will not send the new edition out for review by this year's committees, but we will mention its re-release in *Best Books for Kids & Teens 2010*. If the title did not appear in a previous *Best Books for Kids & Teens*, we will send it out for consideration.

Paperback re-issues of hardcover picture books (with no revision) are not eligible for consideration for *Best Books for Kids & Teens*, but will be included in our library collections.