



Carrying the Olympic Torch

This month the Olympic Torch makes its way across Canada...

It is an exciting time as we get closer and closer to the Winter Olympics! The Olympic torch has started its long journey across Canada, carried proudly by Canadians from all over the country. Let's celebrate this amazing event on village.org by sending in your Olympic torch writing. This month you could win some really cool Olympic prizes!

- Do you know someone who has already carried the torch? Or maybe someone who will be carrying it soon?
 - Interview that person about what it was like or what he or she thinks it will be like. Make up some questions, interview the person and then act like a reporter and report what you found out.
- Do you feel creative? Make up a story that features the Olympic torch.
 - The Day the Torch Went Out
 - The Case of the Missing Torch
 - Want a real challenge? Write your story from the torch's perspective!
- Do some internet research on the Olympic torch and write a short report.
 - What does the torch represent?
 - Where exactly will it be carried in Canada?
 - How are torch bearers selected?
 - Would you like to have carried the torch?
- Some people like the way our torch looks, others think it should look different. Design your version of the perfect Olympic torch.
 - What would it look like? What special features would it have?

You can use whatever technology you would like – word processing documents, PowerPoint presentations and so on – it just have to be a piece of writing.

The deadline to send in your writing so you can be put in the draw for prizes is **12:00 noon November 27th, 2009**. We can't wait to hear from you!

Check out some of the prizes you could win...





Virtual Voices Village

November Activity – Carrying the Olympic Torch

This November, SET-BC and Virtual Voices Village (www.vvillage.org) invite BC students to participate in a “Carrying the Olympic Torch” writing activity. We will welcome submissions in a variety of formats including:

- **Typewritten** – students can use standard or adapted word processors (e.g. MSWord, ClickerWriter, Classroom Suite 4, etc.) – stories should be less than 500 words
- **Electronic book** – use PowerPoint, Clicker, or Classroom Suite to create an interactive book – each slide should contain text – please keep number of slides/grids less than 20.
- **Digital audio recording** – If your student is unable to complete written work, a digital audio recording can be submitted in its place.

***All students who send in a submission by the deadline will be placed in a draw for FIVE Olympic prizes (e.g. stuffies, toques, mitts). All submissions will be featured on our student website [vvillage.org](http://www.vvillage.org).

Deadline for “Carrying the Torch” submissions is **12:00 noon (Pacific) Friday, November 27th**.

Submission Instructions...

1. Each submission **must** be accompanied by an information form and a signed form granting SET-BC permission to post the student’s work and/or audio/video on the website. You will find this form attached – please include it with the submission itself or FAX it to us if submitting electronically.
2. If you are submitting stories **physically** – either an actual book or a book/video/audio clip on CD - please send to: SET-BC, 105-1750 West 75th Ave, Vancouver, BC V6P 6G2 (attention: Virtual Voices Village). By request, we’ll be happy to return the physical book.
3. Stories can also be submitted electronically – if they are less than 4 MB in size, they can be emailed to: submissions@vvillage.org. Remember to attach or FAX the permission form! If the story is larger than 4 MB, please upload your files to <http://sendspace.com> making the recipient “submissions@vvillage.org”.
4. If you have any questions at all about submitting your student’s work, don’t hesitate to contact us at submissions@vvillage.org. We will be happy to help you!

Finally, please ensure that any work submitted...

- is original student work that does not contain copyrighted material or material or images that would violate any third party rights
- does not contain any photographs or images of other students unless the appropriate permission forms are also signed by their parents



Student Work / Photo / Audio / Video Permission Form

Dear parent/guardian,

Special Education Technology – British Columbia (SET-BC) sponsors a student-focused website called Virtual Voices Village (www.vvillage.org). This site is dedicated to showcasing BC student news, events, and work and offers regular opportunities for students to submit their work, photos, and multimedia projects. We request permission to profile your child or your child's work on the Virtual Voices Village website and/or the main SET-BC website (www.setbc.org). All materials will be used in positive ways to promote awareness of the potential for students using technology in the schools and in the community.

Consent for Publication of Written/Visual Art, Photo and Multimedia

I grant permission for my child's work / photo / audio or video recording to be published on the Virtual Voices Village (vvillage.org) and / or the SET-BC website (setbc.org).

Student's Name: _____

(Please Print)

Parent/Guardian's Name: _____

(Please Print)

Parent/Guardian's Signature: _____

Date: _____ Parent/Guardian's Daytime Phone: _____

Please return completed form to
SET-BC, #105-1750 West 75th Ave, Vancouver, BC V6P 6G2
or FAX 604-261-2256

If you have any questions about this permission form, please call 604-261-9450 ext 0.

SET-BC is a Ministry of Education Provincial Resource Program designed to assist BC schools in educating students whose access to curriculum is restricted primarily due to physical disabilities, visual impairments, intellectual disabilities and autism.

For more information on our program, please visit www.setbc.org.



Student Information Form

Name of Student: _____

School / School District: _____

Grade level: _____

School Contact for Student: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Name of Project: _____

Type of Project / File format (e.g. Powerpoint .ppt, video .avi, document .doc, etc.)

Additional information to be included on www.vvillage.org web page:

(e.g. How did the student create the project? Were others involved?
What technologies were used? Was it presented to the class?)

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