



# The Learn2Think Young Journalist Prize, 2017 In Association with the Guardian Foundation and The Week Junior

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*Learn2Think is holding its inaugural Tolerance Day journalism competition for children aged 8-9, and 10-11 to have their voices heard.*

LONDON, LONDON, ENGLAND, September 15, 2017 /EINPresswire.com/ -- We believe that only by encouraging children to think for themselves, to find their own voices, can we teach them to face a world of overwhelming information.

Some people are naturally curious, and intent on getting to the bottom of things. They could easily become journalists, and by starting to write when young, children have time to develop their skills. Journalists play a really important part in our society, making sure that everyone understands important information about what's happening in the world. Being younger doesn't mean that a child doesn't know interesting things or have opinions that count.

We not only want to find out what matters to our children, but also get them thinking critically for themselves, so that they can start to identify misinformation, develop a reasoned argument, and give voice to their own unique thoughts and opinions.

Children will probably write a stronger piece if they some have some experience in or passion about a subject, but there are always questions to be asked. WHO? WHAT? WHEN? WHERE? WHY? and HOW? We have created characters for children to use to explore these questions (see Editors Notes).

The challenge is to write a column of up to 500 words (that's about 1 page of A4). The winner will be announced on the UN International Day for Tolerance, 16th November 2017. Entries are due by October 16th 2017, to [info@learn2think.org.uk](mailto:info@learn2think.org.uk).

The competition will be judged by the Executive Director at the Guardian Foundation, the Editor of The Week Junior, the Chair of the Learn2Think Foundation, and the CEO of SAPERE, who promote Philosophy for Children in the UK (for more details on each, see Editors Notes). The prize, in both age categories, is to receive a laptop to continue their writing, as well as 6 months subscription to The Week Junior for them and a year's subscription for their school.

Entries should be made by email by 16th October to [info@learn2think.org.uk](mailto:info@learn2think.org.uk) and the winner will be announced on 16th November 2017, as part of our marking of the UN's International Day for Tolerance.

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