

# Mother Tongue Other Tongue



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Regional (NW) and National celebration event will be held on Monday 29th June 2015

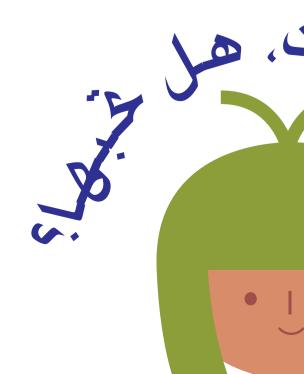




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# It's Back! Bigger, Better and Bolder than Before

A multilingual poetry competition that celebrates cultural diversity and the many languages currently spoken in schools across the North West of England

## The Competition

The Routes into Languages NW and Manchester Children's Book Festival invites young writers to send in their poetry and verse for this free-to-enter multilingual poetry competition.

The competition is led by the Poet Laureate, Carol Ann Duffy, and is this year's Laureate Education Project.

# FREE Open to: 8-18 year olds (Years 5-13) Deadline 1st June 2015

### The Rules

**Mother Tongue** entries will be in two parts:

The first part is the poem. This can be an original, creative piece, or a poem or song that is 'remembered' — i.e. something in your first language that you recall, or that has been told to you by a relative. This can be in any language but English.

The second part should be a short explanation of the inspiration behind the piece, where it comes from, or why it is important to the person submitting it. (No more than half a page). This part must be written in English and is the part your entry will be judged on.

Other Tongue entries must be an original poem written in a language that is not the first language spoken by the person writing it. The languages that pupils can write in for the North West are: French, German, Spanish, Italian, Arabic, Urdu and Mandarin.

#### What to include

Please include the following information with your entry:

- > Name
  (or list of names or group title)
- > The Title of your piece
- > Which category you are entering: Mother Tongue or Other Tongue?
- > The language you have written in (for Mother Tongue entries)
- > School year at time of writing
- > The name of your school
  (and town / area) if a transition
  project please give all school
  names

- > The name of your teacher (or parent if sending in the work yourself)
- Your email contact
   (if possible, otherwise please give a telephone number)
- > Contacts details for your teacher or parent (email if possible)

#### Submitting your work

**By post:** send a copy of your work remembering to include all the information and contact details listed above to:

Routes into Languages Office
Room 2.05
Mabel Tylecote Building
Department of Languages
Manchester Metropolitan University
Cavendish Street
M15 6BG

See the **www.mtot.org.uk** for further details and to download promotional materials, workshop ideas and resources.

**Or email:** mtot@mmu.ac.uk to register your interest in the competition and to request printed materials.



