

“Story to Stage” Puppetry Competition for Primary Schools 2018/19

The “Story to Stage” competition is presented by the NET Section of the Education Bureau. The Puppetry Team of the NET Section organises a professional development workshop and a cluster meeting for the teachers of each participating school. Professional advice will also be given to schools to help enrich the teaching and learning of English language through puppetry. This competition supports our belief in catering for learner diversity by creating a variety of learning opportunities for students that foster the development of all four language skills: speaking, listening, reading and writing. Puppetry is an effective and versatile learning tool with a unique approach to the development of literacy skills in a fun and engaging manner. In preparing for this competition, the native-speaking English teacher (NET) and a local English teacher (LET) will collaborate in training a team of five KS2 students to select a story, devise a script, design puppets and props and apply puppetry skills in their performance.

Important events, venues and dates:

Event	Venue	Date
“Teaching English through Puppetry” Workshop	NET Section, Room 1120, 11/F, Tsuen Wan Multi-storey Carpark Building, 174-208 Castle Peak Road, Tsuen Wan.	October 2018
“Hands-on Puppet Making” Workshop (optional)	NET Section, Room 1120, 11/F, Tsuen Wan Multi-storey Carpark Building, 174-208 Castle Peak Road, Tsuen Wan.	November 2018
A Script-writing Workshop (optional)	NET Section, Room 1120, 11/F, Tsuen Wan Multi-storey Carpark Building, 174-208 Castle Peak Road, Tsuen Wan.	January 2019
A Cluster Meeting	(To be confirmed)	January 2019
Competition	(To be announced)	March-April 2019 (tentative)

Participants will have to:

- access the competition details on the e-platform at nets.edb.hkedcity.net/page.php?p=406
- attend the professional development workshop and cluster meeting
- be responsible for all costs associated with making or buying their puppets and backdrops (a budget below \$1,000 should suffice)

Awards:

- Trophies and prizes will be awarded
- Each team member will receive a certificate of achievement

Remarks:

- If the competition is oversubscribed, schools will be chosen by random draw