



**E Ola Pono**

**Competition**

**Story Judging criteria – All stories will be evaluated**

**A maximum of 5 points per judging criteria – Total Points scored = 30 PTS**

- 1. Content – The story is clear and focused and holds the interest.**
- 2. Organization – The story hooks the reader’s interest at the beginning, The story continues to build the reader’s interest and curiosity and has a satisfying conclusion.**
- 3. Voice – the story has a unique “voice” as if the writer is speaking directly to the reader. You can really feel the character in the story or feel a strong connection to the writer of the story.**
- 4. Word choice – words chosen to convey the story are natural and concise. They carry a lot of power and are persuasive.**
- 5. Sentence structure – the writing has a good flow and rhythm.**
- 6. Conventional/non-conventional style – for a conventional style there is a solid command of spelling, punctuation, grammar, etc.  
For Nonconventional style – the writer has a good command of conventional writing but chooses to break conventional styles to enhance a character’s voice or the writer’s voice (i.e. pidgin used in narration or dialogue)**