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**“HOW CHAMELEON GOT
HIS COLOR CHANGING SKIN”
by Reagan**



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THE WINNERS!

KINDERGARTEN

- 1st Place:** “Astro Wonders” by Uriah
North Star Online School
- 2nd Place:** “I Wonder About Nature” by Eleanor
Poulakidas Elementary School
- 3rd Place:** “The Tasty Clouds” by Allistair
Bohach Elementary School

FIRST GRADE

- 1st Place:** “Maddy Has a Solution” by Sophie
Coral Academy of Science
- 2nd Place:** “I Wonder...” by Maya
Honors Academy of Literature
- 3rd Place:** “The Pickle Jar” by Emerie
Yerington Elementary School

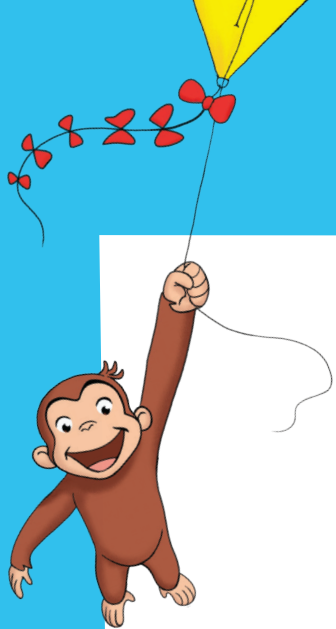
SECOND GRADE

- 1st Place:** “A Rainbow Rock” by Ivan
Coral Academy of Science
- 2nd Place:** “How Chameleon Got His Color Changing Skin” by Reagan
Hall Elementary School
- 3rd Place:** “An Adoption Story” by Ava
Individual

THIRD GRADE

- 1st Place:** “The Adventure in Space” by Kelsey
Coral Academy of Science
- 2nd Place:** “The Wonder Land” by Claire
Westergard Elementary School
- 3rd Place:** “Finn Goes to Taylor” by Winston
Taylor Elementary School





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PBS member station, PBS Reno, serving northern Nevada and northeastern California, is proud to take part in the PBS Reno Curiosity Classroom Writers Contest.

Few things can capture a child's imagination like a good book. PBS Reno Curiosity Classroom Writers Contest invites children, kindergarten through third grade, in communities across our area to use their boundless imaginations to create original stories and illustrations and then submit them to their local PBS station. This year, thousands of children from across northern Nevada and northeastern California participated in the PBS Reno Writers Contest, building their creative voices, and developing critical reading and writing skills.

Visit our website at pbsreno.org/writerscontest to find out more about the contest, read the winning stories and watch the winners announce their stories.



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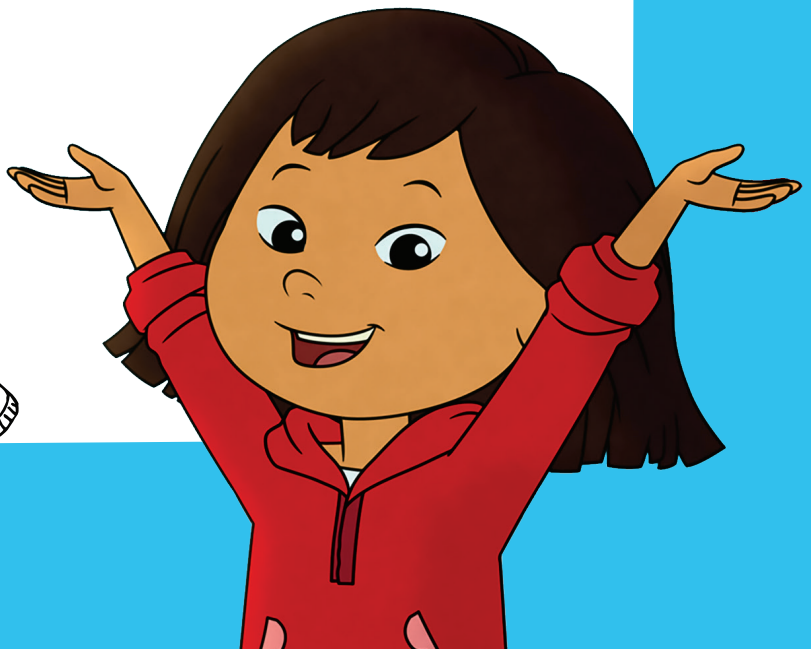


SECOND GRADE: 2nd Place

**“How Chameleon Got His
Color Changing Skin”**

by Reagan

Hall Elementary School



How

Chameleon

got

What color should I change to next?



His

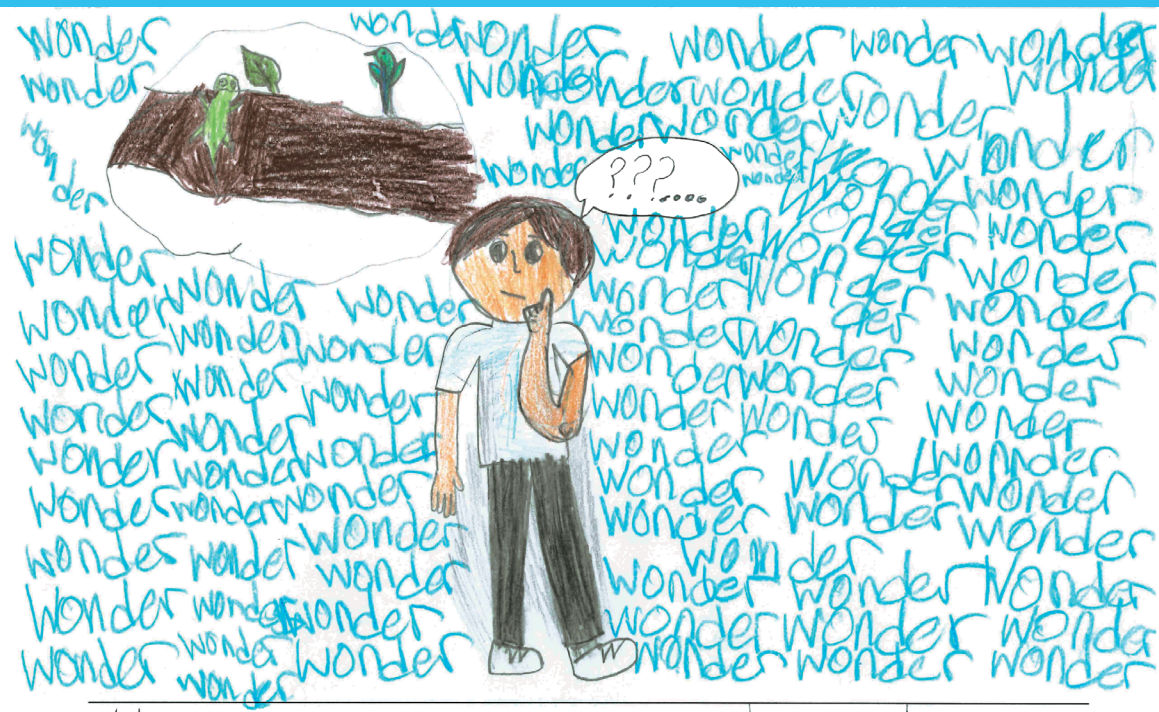
colors

Changing



Skin

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Interaction

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which one was better,
being clever or being fast.
So, one day they said,
let's have a challenge.
"We'll play hide and seek,"
said Monkey.
Hummingbird laughed,
"There's no way I'll lose!
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“I’d rather not,”

Chameleon replied.

“You can’t get up in the places
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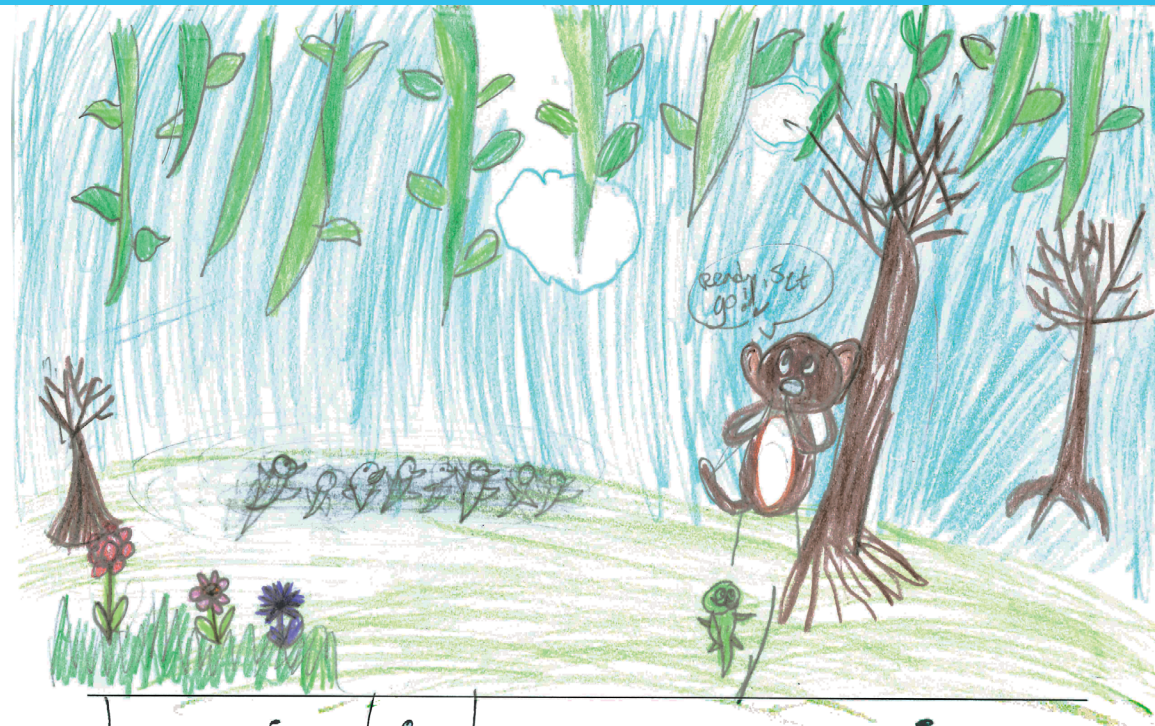


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Hummingbird was preparing her wings, zooming back and forth, showing off to the audience. Finally, Monkey shouted, "Ready, set, go!" and started counting. "1, 2, 3." Chameleon heard. He scattered up a tree and up on a leaf.



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Monkey swung right past
Chameleon! He looked deep
in the flowers and shouted,
“Found You!”

Hummingbird asked confused,
“Did I win?”

“Chameleon won the challenge!”
Chameleon came out
of his hiding spot.

“I proved you wrong!”

“I am sorry,” said Hummingbird.

“I was being a show-off.”
Chameleon said, “It’s okay.”
And that’s how Chameleon
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