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THE WINNERS!

KINDERGARTEN

- 1st Place: “Dear Charlie” by Charlie**
JWood Raw Elementary School
- 2nd Place: “Someday” by Sadie**
Individual Entry
- 3rd Place: “Someday Traveling” by Sosefina**
Lena Juniper Elementary School

FIRST GRADE

- 1st Place: “Gerald the Caterpillar” by Uriah**
North Star Online School
- 2nd Place: “Someday I want to be an Astronaut Cat” by Eli**
Sonoma Heights Elementary School
- 3rd Place: “The King of the Capybaras” by RJ**
Hidden Valley Elementary School

SECOND GRADE

- 1st Place: “Maybe Someday...in the Future” by Sparrow**
Nick Poulakidas Elementary School
- 2nd Place: “Someday” by Fin**
Gene Scarselli Elementary School
- 3rd Place: “Someday I will be a Baker” by Ella**
Elizabeth Lenz Elementary School

THIRD GRADE

- 1st Place: “Hope Acts Now” by Violet**
Mamie Towles Elementary School
- 2nd Place: “Courage” by Grant**
Roy Gomm Elementary School
- 3rd Place: “The Time Machine” by Edwin**
Caughlin Ranch Elementary School





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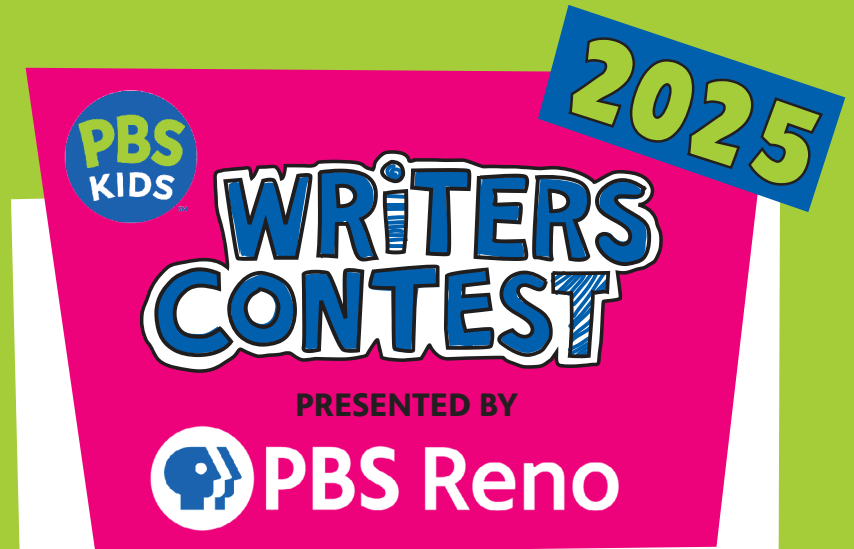
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Few things can capture a child's imagination like a good book. PBS Reno Curiosity Classroom Writers Contest invites children, kindergarten through third grade, in communities across our area to use their boundless imaginations to create original stories 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.

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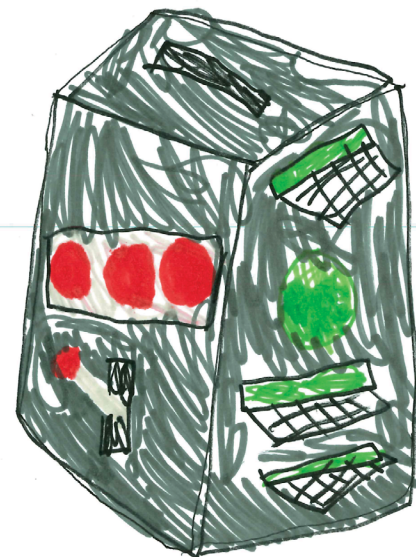
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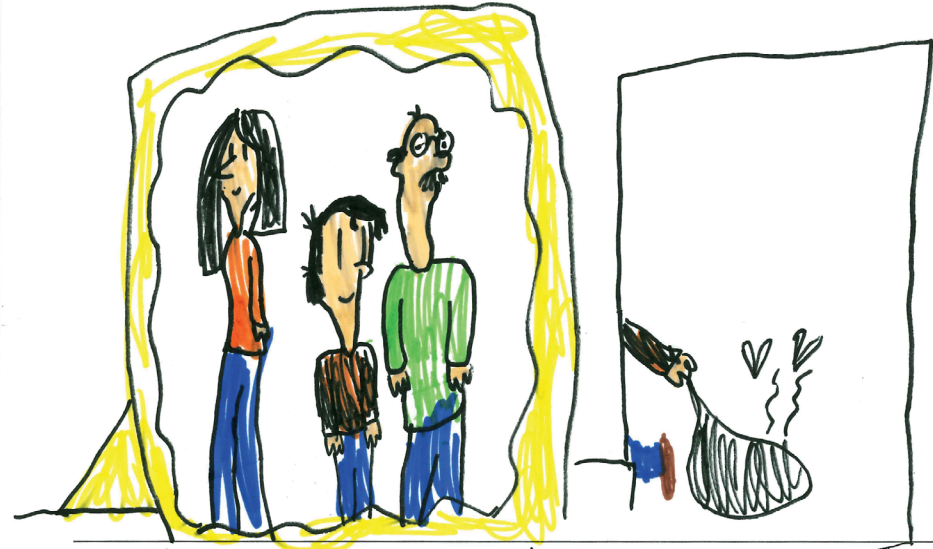
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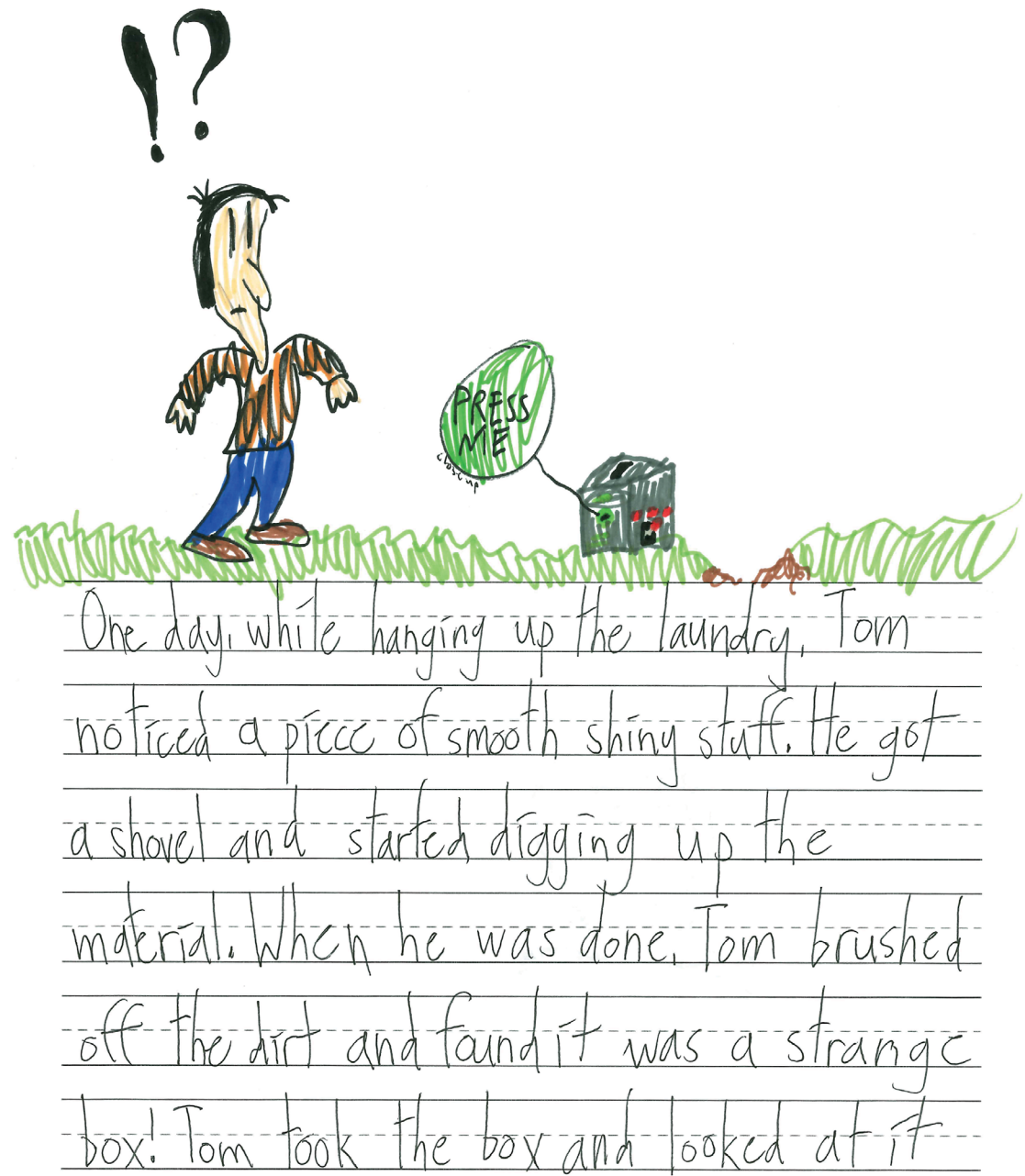


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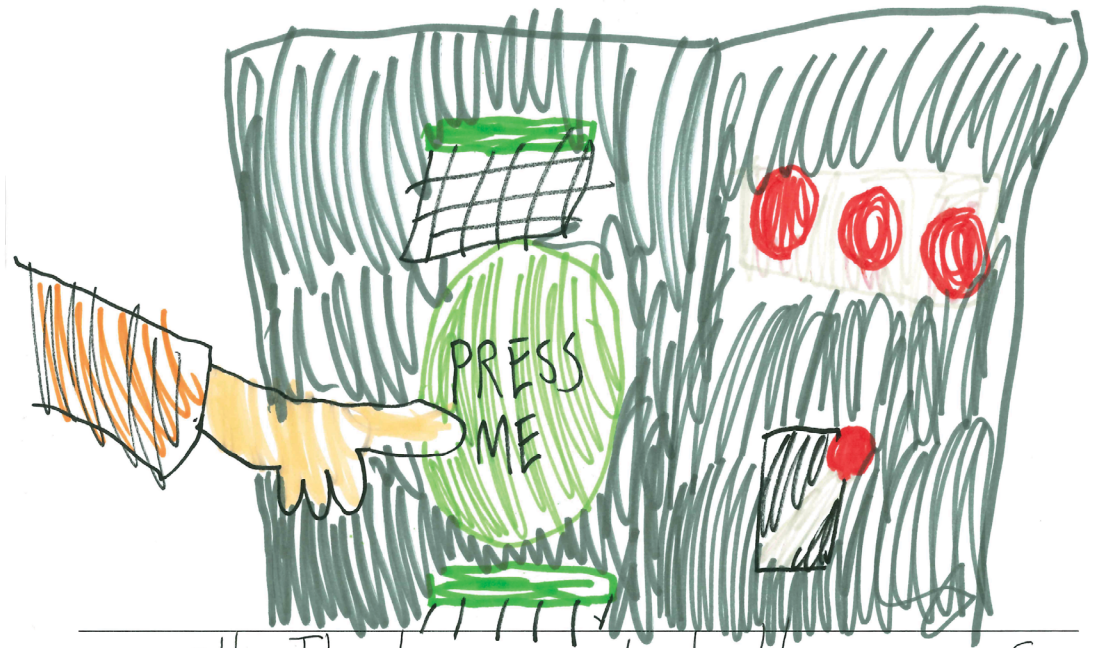
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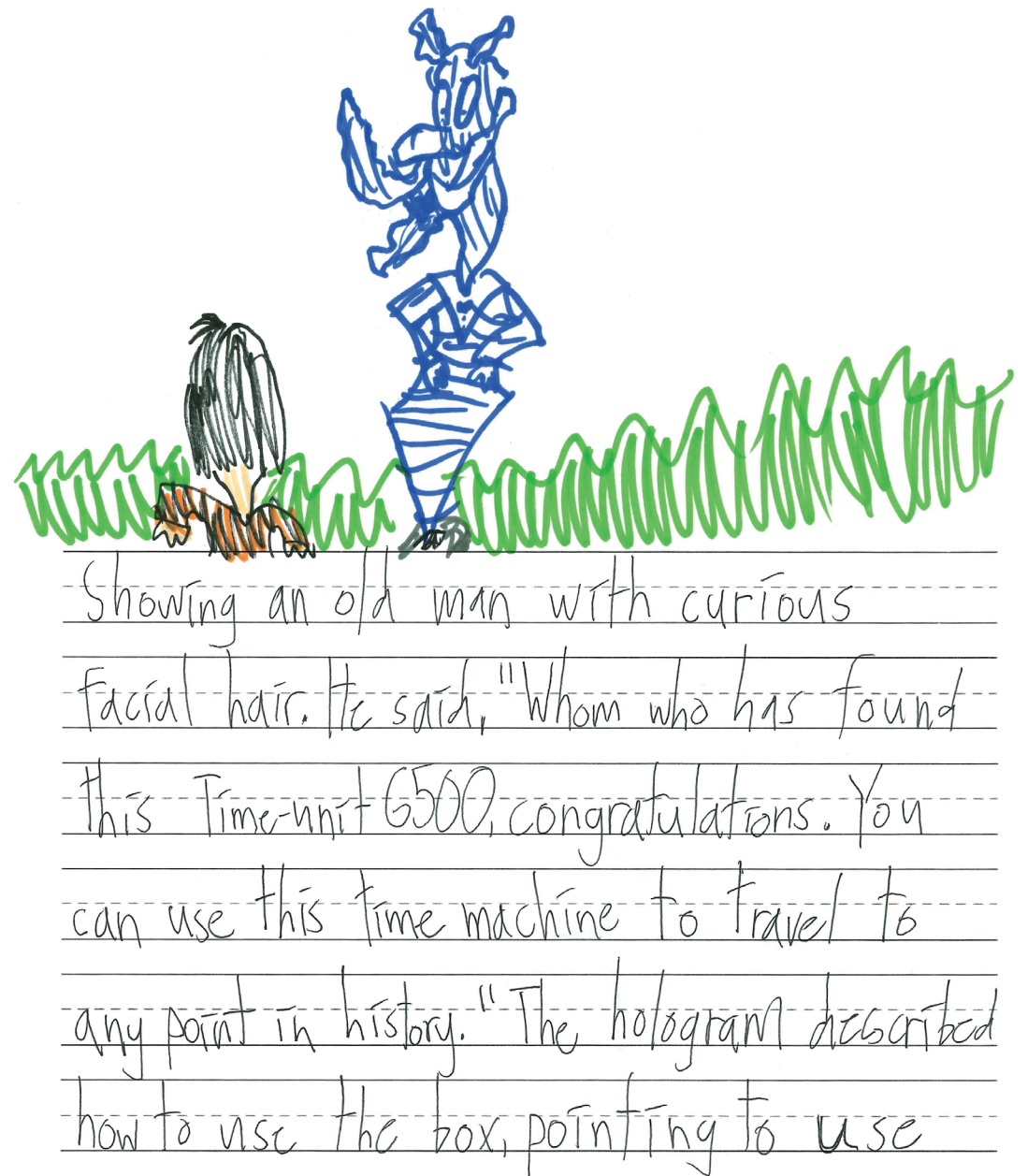
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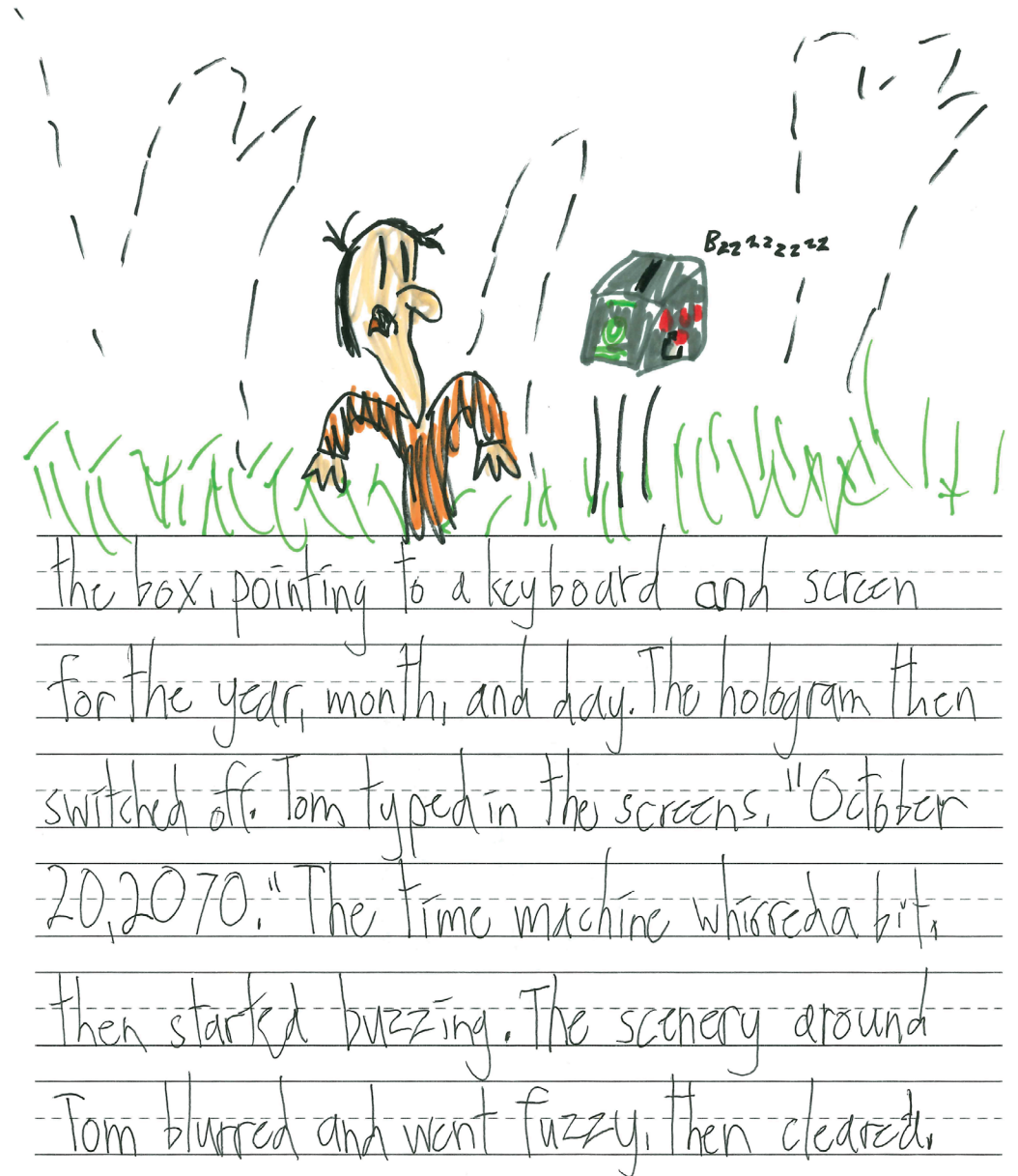


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Time-unit 6500, congratulations.
You can use this time machine
to travel to any point in history.”
The hologram described
how to use the box,
pointing to use



the box, pointing to a keyboard and screen for the year, month, and day. The hologram then switched off. Tom typed in the screens, "October 20, 2070." The time machine whirred a bit, then started buzzing. The scenery around Tom blurred and went fuzzy, then cleared.



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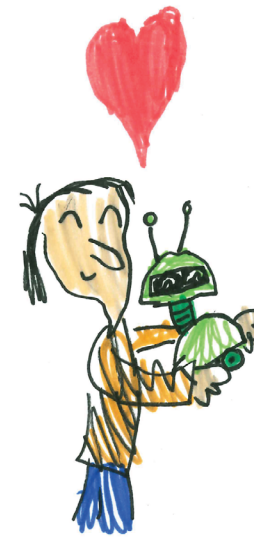


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