

2026 PBS RENO WRITERS CONTEST

PRESENTED BY Rotary Club of Reno

SECOND GRADE: 2nd Place

“Martin Saved the World” by Emmett

Brown Elementary School

Once upon a time there was an alien named Martin. He looks like an octopus but with 5 tentacles. Then there were evil aliens. They used their ray-guns to attack Martin’s planet. Martin’s parents sent him to Earth. Martin was washed up on the shore and was found by a family. They thought he was just an injured octopus missing 3 of his tentacles. They didn’t know he was special. Martin’s tentacles had special abilities. Martin’s abilities were Fire Power, Plant Power (can make a fortress), Water Power, Healing Power, and Electricity Power. One day Martin’s family was relaxing. Then the evil aliens attacked Earth. Martin thought he was too young to save his old planet, but now he was ready to fight back. He used his Fire Power to burn the alien’s spaceship so they couldn’t get more supplies. He used his Plant Power to make a wooden fortress to protect his family. He used his Electricity Power to shock the evil aliens so his family could get the ray-guns. He made a big wave with his Water Power to trap the aliens. The fight was over. Martin has won. He used his Healing Power to give to the humans after the fight was over. Martin saved Earth and his new family and humans realized he was special. And he lived happily ever after.

