

2026 PBS RENO WRITERS CONTEST

PRESENTED BY Rotary Club of Reno

FIRST GRADE: 1st Place

“A Special Power” by Sadie

Individual Entry

One day I was walking my dog when he ran away. I felt fearful as tears ran down my cheeks. Someone noticed and helped me. She made me feel special when we found him. I decided to focus my attention on people’s emotions and help them.

Later that day I saw a man. Instantly his emotions appeared in my head. I saw big raindrops falling. I asked him why he was sad. He turned to me with wide eyes. “Why do you want to help me?” I told him that I noticed he was sad. “My daughter is missing.” Together we found the school bus with a flat tire and his daughter beside it.

I saw a family taking a walk. The girl was crying. Instantly, her emotions appeared in my head, loud thunderstorms with lightning. I asked her why she was mad. Shocked, her mom turned to me and said, “She is angry because her sister lost her toy.” Together we found the toy. When I got home, my brother said, “I’ve been following you and noticed you helping everyone. Why?” I smiled and said, “Everyone is special to me and I want them to know it.”

