



# Mother Tongue Other Tongue

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**Closing deadline  
1st June 2015**

**Regional (NW) and National  
celebration event will be held  
on Monday 29th June 2015**

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# It's Back! Bigger, Better and Bolder than Before

A multilingual poetry competition that celebrates cultural diversity and the many languages currently spoken in schools across the North West of England

## The Competition

The Routes into Languages NW and Manchester Children's Book Festival invites young writers to send in their poetry and verse for this free-to-enter multilingual poetry competition.

The competition is led by the Poet Laureate, Carol Ann Duffy, and is this year's Laureate Education Project.

**FREE Open to: 8-18 year olds (Years 5-13) Deadline 1st June 2015**

## The Rules

**Mother Tongue** entries will be in two parts:

*The first part is the poem.* This can be an original, creative piece, or a poem or song that is 'remembered' – i.e. something in your first language that you recall, or that has been told to you by a relative. This can be in any language but English.

*The second part* should be a short explanation of the inspiration behind the piece, where it comes from, or why it is important to the person submitting it. (No more than half a page). This part must be written in English and is the part your entry will be judged on.

**Other Tongue** entries must be an original poem written in a language that is not the first language spoken by the person writing it. The languages that pupils can write in for the North West are: French, German, Spanish, Italian, Arabic, Urdu and Mandarin.

## What to include

Please include the following information with your entry:

- > **Name** (or list of names or group title)
- > **The Title** of your piece
- > **Which category you are entering:** Mother Tongue or Other Tongue?
- > **The language** you have written in (for Mother Tongue entries)
- > **School year** at time of writing
- > **The name of your school** (and town / area) - if a transition project please give all school names

- > **The name of your teacher** (or parent if sending in the work yourself)
- > **Your email contact** (if possible, otherwise please give a telephone number)
- > **Contacts details for your teacher or parent** (email if possible)

## Submitting your work

**By post:** send a copy of your work remembering to include all the information and contact details listed above to:

Routes into Languages Office  
Room 2.05  
Mabel Tylecote Building  
Department of Languages  
Manchester Metropolitan University  
Cavendish Street  
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See the [www.mtot.org.uk](http://www.mtot.org.uk) for further details and to download promotional materials, workshop ideas and resources.

**Or email:** [mtot@mmu.ac.uk](mailto:mtot@mmu.ac.uk) to register your interest in the competition and to request printed materials.

