

Kancil Story Writing Competition Organised by Irene Ritchie

Sponsored by the Consulate General of Indonesia in Melbourne

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The Kancil is an important character in Indonesian children's literature and in shadow puppet theatre. His tales provide moral teachings, delightful stories, colourful characters and give Australian students an understanding of an aspect of Indonesian culture.

The Kancil in Indonesian folk lore is very clever at the art and science of manipulation, by flattery, intelligence, and exquisitely calculated deception. Usually he is just trying to save his life!

Create a Kancil tale with the theme of preserving the environment in 400 - 1000 words.

Categories: Primary

Secondary

Schools are to enter the 2 best stories in those categories.

Criteria

1. Must include animals of Indonesia
2. Must have a message of preserving the environment and animals
3. Kancil must solve a problem using wit and intelligence, not violence.

There will be 10 state winners.

Winners will receive prizes and certificates from the Consulate General of Indonesia in Melbourne and will have their stories published in an illustrated book. Each winner will receive a copy of the book.

Please send 2 entries per school or 2 entries in each category to :

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Website for examples of Kancil stories: www.kancilforest.info/

All entries must be received by June 21, 2014