

# ACT-SO GUIDELINES

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## POETRY

1. Only **one (1) poem**, with **six (6) copies**, should be submitted.
2. Poem must be **typed, double spaced, and must not exceed five (5) pages**.
3. Contestant's **name and borough** must appear at the top of each page.
4. Poem must be an **original work** of the contestant.
5. Poem must be accompanied by a **notarized statement** confirming originality and identify the author.
6. Contestants must be prepared to **answer judges' question if necessary**.

## JUDGING CRITERIA

<input type="checkbox"/> Appeal to the Senses	<b>20 Points</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> Emotional Response	<b>20 Points</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> Appropriate Development of Theme	<b>20 Points</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> Use of Language as Relates to Theme	<b>20 Points</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> Structure of Stanzas	<b>20 Points</b>
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	<b>100 Total</b>