

# Whitney's Kiss

## NATIONAL SCHOOLS ESSAY COMPETITION 2010

### TOPICS (CHOOSE ONE)

- **WHAT THE BOOK "WHITNEY'S KISS" MEANT TO ME.**
- **MY LIFE BEFORE AND AFTER I READ THE BOOK "WHITNEY'S KISS"**

### GUIDELINES

- Your essay must be between 500 and 1000 words.
- The essay must be based on true facts and life experiences, and may not be fictional.
- The essay must be the original work of the learner (not parents or teachers).
- The essay must be based on the book Whitney's Kiss, as well as on the learner's real life situation, values and experiences.
- The essay may be submitted in English.

### CRITERIA

- Use of language, grammar and readability.
- Impact of the novel "Whitney's Kiss" on the learner's life and values.
- Honesty and credibility – the top ten essays will be screened and the writers may be interviewed to determine the accuracy and credibility of the essay as a "real life story".

GRADE 7 to 10 LEARNERS are invited to take part in the **NATIONAL SCHOOLS ESSAY COMPETITION 2010** based on the bestselling novel **WHITNEY'S KISS** by Onne Vegter.

### PRIZES to the WINNING LEARNERS

1st Price: R2000-00 Cash  
2nd Price: R1500 Vodacom Gift Voucher  
3rd Price: R500-00 Musica Gift Voucher

### PRIZES to the WINNING SCHOOLS

1st Price: R3000-00 Cash Donation  
2nd Price: R2000-00 Cash Donation  
3rd Price: R1000-00 Cash Donation

### CLOSING DATE:

**30 September 2010**

### Terms and Conditions

- **Only ONE BEST essay will be accepted per school.**
- There is no entry fee.
- Schools are free to select their own finalist to be entered into the competition.
- The publisher Voices in Africa will judge the competition and decide on the winning essays. The judge's decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into regarding the choice of winners.
- Essays will only be accepted in English.
- Essays may be typed or handwritten, as long as they are readable.
- Each entry must be clearly marked with the learner's full name, grade, home language and contact details.
- The accompanying questionnaire is a requirement for entry.

### ANNOUNCEMENT OF WINNERS

The winning schools and learners will be informed per email, fax and telephonically. The winners will also be announced in the **SOWETAN** and **SUNDAY TIMES NEWSPAPERS** on the **30th and 31st of January 2011**.



The completion of the questionnaire is a requirement for entry (please turn over)

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## ENTRY FORM (Can also be downloaded from [www.voicesinafrica.co.za](http://www.voicesinafrica.co.za))

Educator Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of School: \_\_\_\_\_  
Postal Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
PROVINCE: \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Fax: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
Full Name and Grade of the learner:  
Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ Home language: \_\_\_\_\_

### QUESTIONNAIRE

PLEASE ASSIST US TO EVALUATE THE IMPACT AND SUCCESS OF THE WHITNEY'S KISS NOVEL AS A TOOL IN THE FIGHT AGAINST HIV AND AIDS. THE COMPLETION OF THE QUESTIONNAIRE IS A REQUIREMENT FOR ENTRY.

How many Whitney's Kiss novels have been ordered and delivered to your school? \_\_\_\_\_  
How many facilitators' manuals were received? \_\_\_\_\_  
In which grades were the books distributed? \_\_\_\_\_  
How many classes are using the Whitney's Kiss novel? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have any feedback or recommendations regarding the Teacher's Guide?

Please tell us more about the attitude and response of your learners while reading Whitney's Kiss.

Do you think educators need prior training before the implementation of the Whitney's Kiss project?

If yes-why? \_\_\_\_\_  
If no- state why? \_\_\_\_\_

WOULD YOUR SCHOOL LIKE TO RECEIVE A FREE COPY OF THE FOLLOW-UP NOVEL BASED ON WHITNEY'S KISS TO BE LAUNCHED IN 2010? \_\_\_\_\_

### WAIVER

The class teacher or headmaster is required to sign this entrance form and statement in loco parentis, on behalf of all the entries accompanying this form: By entering this essay competition, I declare on behalf of the learners who have entered that to the best of my knowledge this essay is their factual and original work. By entering this essay competition, I also grant, on behalf of the entrants, the publisher Voices in Africa the right to print, reproduce and publish any of these essays, in full or in part, for any purpose. I waive my and the writers' copyright to the work, and I understand that no royalties or remuneration will accrue to the school or the individual entrants for the use or reproduction thereof.

“ CLOSING THE TAP ON HIV & AIDS! ”



Name \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Position \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Please attach the ENTRY FORM to your school's BEST ESSAY and post it to WHITNEY'S KISS NATIONAL ESSAY COMPETITION 2010, VOICES IN AFRICA PO BOX 2895 BELLVILLE 7535