



Babel

YOUNG WRITERS' COMPETITION

GET PUBLISHED IN BABEL Nº 58!

This year, Babel is running the 12th edition of our Young Writers' Competition, which encourages young linguists who are starting out on their study of language. The competition is open to all linguistics students in further and higher education, i.e. at sixth-form, college or university. If you are a keen Babel reader and a language lover, get writing to be in with a chance of getting yourself published – and receiving a year's subscription to Babel!

Keep an eye on our social media pages for inspiration from previous winners on topics ranging from Love Island lingo to whistled languages of the world. The winner will be announced in January 2027. Good luck!

Follow Babel on:

Bluesky @babelzine.bsky.social

X @Babelzine

Instagram @babel_zine

Mastodon masto.ai/@babel

If you have a question, get in touch at
babelthelanguagemagazine@gmail.com

Guidelines

Deadline: Tuesday 1
December 2026

Length: 2,000 – 2,500 words.

Topic: Entries can be on any linguistic topic – the important thing is that your discussion of it is accessible and interesting for Babel readers.

Format: Entries should be clearly presented in a Word file, with images submitted as separate JPEGs.

Submission:

Email your entry to
abelthelanguagemagazine@
gmail.com
with the subject 'Young
Writers' Competition'