

COWBOY POETRY GUIDELINES

1. Recite something YOU wrote.
2. Make poem at least 8 lines long.
3. There is no time limit.
4. No free verse. Must be traditional cowboy poetry.
5. Use basic rhyme and meter patterns explained in Cowboy Poetry Youth Project Book (Sec 4 & Sec 8)
6. Youth may work together on poems as long as each person submits one of their own.
7. You do not need to be in the Cowboy Poetry Project to compete.
8. You may enter as many poems as you wish.
9. Please have 3 copies of each poem available at contest. (1 for each judge and 1 for Extension)

COWBOY POETRY SCORE SHEET

(Each category is worth 10 points each with a total of 100 possible points)

1. Lines 1 & 3 or 2 & 4 must follow rhyme patterns from the book.
2. Rhyme and meter.
3. Creativity.
4. The poem must tell a story.
5. Overall presentation.
6. Volume.
7. Voice. (Excitement, facial features, etc.)
8. Must be nature, cowboy, or ranch related
9. Poem must be at least 8 lines long.
10. Having copies of poem for judges to hold.

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Return this portion to the Extension Office on or before the deadline date posted in your newsletter.

Name: _____ Sr. Jr.

Title of Poem: _____

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