

Wishing for Tomorrow

Writing Competition

To celebrate the publication of *Wishing for Tomorrow*, Hodder Children's Books are running a writing competition judged by Hilary McKay. Two lucky winners will receive a beautiful Victorian writing set and a signed copy of *Wishing for Tomorrow*. Four runners-up will receive a signed copy of the book.

To enter, choose ONE of the writing scenarios below. Send your entry (maximum one side of an A4 sheet) to:

Wishing for Tomorrow Competition
Hodder Children's Books
338 Euston Road
London NW1 3BH

Closing date: 31st January 2010

1. In *Wishing for Tomorrow* Ermengarde desperately misses her best friend, Sara Crewe. Alice, the maid, encourages her to write to her absent friend to tell her about life at the school.

Imagine you are writing to Sara Crewe describing a typical day at your school.

2. In *A Little Princess* there is a poor hungry rat called Melchiesidec who befriends Sara when she is banished to the attic. In *Wishing for Tomorrow*, Ermengarde looks after him when Sara has gone, and also makes friends with Bosco, next door's pampered cat.

Imagine you are an animal living in a school. Write a letter to a friend describing the best things and the worst things about your day.