

2023-2024



Sijo (Korean Poetry)

STUDENT COMPETITION

The East Asian Studies Center at The Ohio State University presents a Sijo Competition for K-12 students in Ohio & Kentucky to honor the traditional Korean form of poetry and introduce it to students. New to Sijo? No problem, visit easc.osu.edu/sijo for details to help students write Sijo. [Asynchronous Sijo workshop](#) for teachers in any state available, book sent upon completion.

DEADLINE FEBRUARY 15, 2024

Rules:



- Open to Kentucky & Ohio K-12 students.
- Students create original sijo poem.
- Submit Sijo online by Feb. 15, 2024.

Prizes:



- First Place: \$250
- Runner(s) Up: \$150
- Each sponsoring teacher of place winners will receive \$100 of Korea-related materials

Divisions:



- High School (grades 9-12)
- Elementary/Middle School (grades K-8)

Syllables/Pauses:

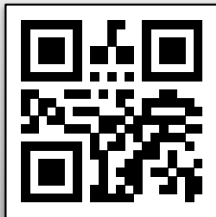


- 3 lines, 4 sections per line (12 total)
- Major pause in middle of each line, small pause between other sections.
- 44-46 syllables total, 14-16 per line.
- Lines 1&2:
 - ◊ Similar syllable count and content
 - ◊ Syllables per section 3-4-3-4
- Line 3:
 - ◊ Different syllable count and content (twist)
 - ◊ Syllables per section 3-5-4-3

Flow:



- Line 1:** Introduces subject/theme (Question)
- Line 2:** Develops subject/theme (Answer)
- Line 3:** Twist or anti-theme (twist/end)



Website (sijo submission and details):

<https://easc.osu.edu/sijo>



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