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Annual Short Story Competition - 2022

All students across the College can enter the competition. The due date is Friday 12th August. Make sure you send your story to your English teacher on the assigned Learning Task, with the cover letter below attached. For some students, this task will be a CAT, so make sure you confirm this with your teacher.

Short stories should be at least 400 words.

Look at the different stimuli below and use it to guide your response. You should use one.

If you would like to write a story that does not utilise one of these stimuli that is allowed.





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COVER PAGE

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CLASS: 10EALA

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WORD COUNT: 773

TITLE OF THE STORY: 10 Suns

Kenny really worships and has blind faith in foreign things. When he heard his classmates talking about his country's fable, he stays away and rolled his eyes up "Boring, your bumpkin. Have you guys watched an American movie? I think Avengers is way better than those Chinese myths?" Others just ignore him and he also thinks his classmates are cheesy.

Here comes his least favorite subject Chinese, he needs to finish a school project about Chinese traditional culture. He started to do research and he yawned rapidly. Instantly, he glanced at some weird things sobbing inside the computer. He isn't able to control himself and felt dizzy. The light of the room suddenly shut off, and the room became silent. Kenny is frightened and sweating, and his heart keeps pounding in his chest. He rush to the door but a force pulled him back into the computer. In a flash, he found out he was riding on something similar to a paper airplane then he realized it is the computer cursor.

He looks around and can see an enlarged size of the software logo, he uses his hand to touch around and feel what it is like, his hand accidentally touches Siri, and half of his hand goes on. Then a loud robot voice comes from the top left corner 'Good evening, How can I help you?'

Kenny is frightened and round-eyed shouts, "Hey Siri, would you just kindly help me to escape from this nonsense world." Siri replies, "Sure, the cursor will bring you back to where you belong."

The cursor speeds up. Kenny holds on tightly and lands on the website called 'How can people survive under 10 suns? '. He travels through a bright door. Kenny reaches a village that is torrid. When he arrives he immediately started sweating. He was searching around to see what is going on and noticed that 10 blinding suns are nearby him. He looks down and sees the villagers are all suffering from this hot weather. "That's horrible!" Kenny asserts, 'If I live in this village, I would rather die.'

Instantly, he sees a man shoot him with a bow. Kenny is scared and his whole body moves back. He yells to the man 'Stop! Can you see I am still here and got almost shot by your bow for no reason?' The man doesn't pause his action. He removes the bow from his shoulder, takes out the arrow, and shot at the proud sun. Followed by the other 8 bows. The whoosh of an arrow shoots, at first, there is no sound. After a while, Kenny only sees the sky in the flow of fire, fireball bursts silently. Then, a bright red ball of stuff falls to the ground. 1 bow passes his chest, Kenny thinks he will die and murmur ' I know this would be my last day of life please god, Blessed Virgin Maria, Guanyin just help me tell my parents I love them very much.' The bow just goes past his body, nothing else happens. He raises his eyebrows and almost fainted.

Then the man shouts loudly to the last sun. "From now on, you must rise on time and fall on time every day, and benefit the people!" The man gains many people's respect and his name is known by all the people in the village. His name is 'Hou Yi'.

Siri pops out "Hey Kenny, how do you feel after being a part of 'Hou Yi's' story?"

Kenny replies "Not going to lie, I think it's an amazing story! The ancients are full of creativity, they have so many imaginative and clever ideas for nature. I kind of admire Hou Yi for saving the life of the villagers, it's pretty similar to the character I love from the Avengers. They help people who are suffering and bring them a better life. But he just puts my life on the table."

When Kenny is back in real life, he immediately starts his project. He does an excellent job on his project, and his teacher and classmates are impressed with his work. He becomes interested in the history of China after experiencing travel in this myth. And more importantly, Kenny makes a lot of friends with the same interests. Some classmates discuss different Chinese cultures with him. One day, he goes to the library and is obsessed with reading a book about Chinese myths. Suddenly a stunning woman popped out, Kenny rubbed his eyes to see clearer "Nice to see you, I'm Huang Mu" and brought Kenny to travel into another interesting myth. To where? This will be another story.