



2019/20 Competition “Impact of Conflict on Communities”

For the 2019/20 academic year, the **Never Such Innocence Competition** is delighted to open a new speechwriting category and to broaden the age range to 9-18. This year’s theme is *‘The Impact of Conflict on Communities’* with a bonus category, ‘75’, commemorating seventy five years since the end of the Second World War. We encourage children and young people to look at conflict that has or is currently affecting their community and respond through a poem, speech, song or piece of artwork. After six successful creative arts competitions to mark the centenary of the First World War, **Never Such Innocence** is giving children and young people from across the world the opportunity to process, respond to and reflect on all forms of conflict throughout history and consider the value of commemoration. We invite young people to have a strong and powerful voice to influence the world’s decision makers.

Congratulations to all participants!

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Anavryta Model Lyceum Senior/Year 12 student, Ms. Panagiota Dalkou eagerly participated in this year's Never Such Innocence Competition with a poem entitled: 'For Them'.

FOR THEM

After all these years of pain and war
Spell me three words
Will they be kind or sharp like swords?

After taking a thousand lives
Tell me loud
Do you feel proud?

After losing every right
Trying to rise
Apologize.

People have suffered
People have cried
Families shattered
Children have died
Can you imagine, how does it feel?
To wake up one day
And realise it's real...

It's not only history
It's not only past
It is our present, our future, it's vast
It is our nightmares
Our most frightening dreams
A reason to think of how to be redeemed

For Them, at least, be kind.

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