

Dates

ROCKSTAR 2026

Young Geologists' Competition

is open to everyone, whether or not you are a Rockwatch member.

Send your entries to
Rockwatch at the Geologists' Association,
Burlington House, Piccadilly, London
W1J 0DU by 31 August 2026. Winners will
be notified by 25 September 2026.

Rockwatch is the national
club for young geologists.
It is the junior club of the
Geologists' Association.



Rockwatch members receive a magazine
3 times a year as well as Fact Cards and
details of geological events around the
country. You can join online at
www.rockwatch.org.uk

The Rockstar competition is supported by

Anglo American Foundation

Entry form

Send your entry with this completed form to:

Rockwatch, Geologists' Association, Burlington House,
Piccadilly, London W1J 0DU, by 31 August 2026.

Also, enclose a suitable stamped addressed envelope
or packaging so we can return your entry (and an entry
gift!) after judging.

YOUR NAME

ADDRESS

Postcode

E-mail:

Phone:

Age on 31 Aug 2026:

PLEASE TICK THE CATEGORY

YOU ARE ENTERING:

Rockstar 8 & Under

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Movie/Sound*

Rockstar 9-12

Rockstar 9-12

Movie/Sound*

Rockstar 13-16

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Movie/Sound*

Rockstar Young Writer

(age 16-18)

* All Movie/Sound
entries must use
MP4 format (see
overleaf for advice)
4 minutes
MAXIMUM runtime

I am already a
member of
Rockwatch
YES/NO

If **NO**: We will send
you information
about the club,
together with your
entry prize.

Below, please give us the title of your work:

I give permission for my entry to be published in Rockwatch
magazine and website, the Geologists' Association (GA) Magazine
and website. I also permit photographs taken at any Rockstar
prizegiving to be published by Rockwatch and/or the GA as above.

Signed

Signed below (parent or guardian – if you are aged under 18)

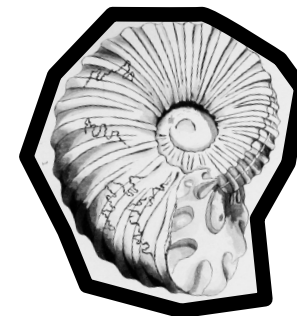
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ROCKSTAR Young Geologists' Competition 2026



Great prizes!

Open to everyone aged 18
and under



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The club for young geologists

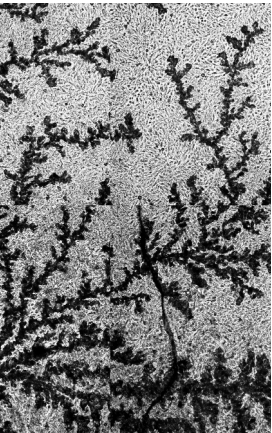
www.rockwatch.org.uk

Do you love geology?

If so, our Rockstar competition is for you!

What do you have to do?

We want you to use your imagination to make a competition entry that can be about anything at all to do with geology.



It can be about rocks, fossils, dinosaurs, mountains, cliffs, caves, beaches, building stones, volcanoes, metals, crystals, geological pioneers and explorers, landscapes, earthquakes, or anything else geological you can think of!

Your entry can also take any form you want it to... In the past we've received geology-themed models, board games, word

games, drawings, paintings, illustrated books, recipes, Powerpoint presentations, mini-films, embroidery, knitting, clothing, puzzles and sculptures. The variety has been astonishing... and we expect to be amazed again this year.



What are the categories and prizes?

The categories for Under 16s are:

- 8 and under
 - 8 and under movie/sound
 - 9-12
 - 9-12 movie/sound
 - 13-16
 - 13-16 movie/sound
- Each category carries 3 cash prizes:
First prize £150
Second £125
Third £100

The person voted overall winner – the best entry we receive from any of the age groups – becomes **Rockstar 2026** and receives an additional £150 prize.

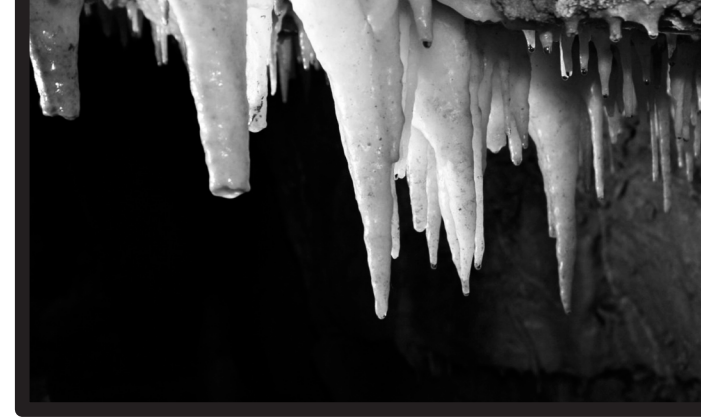
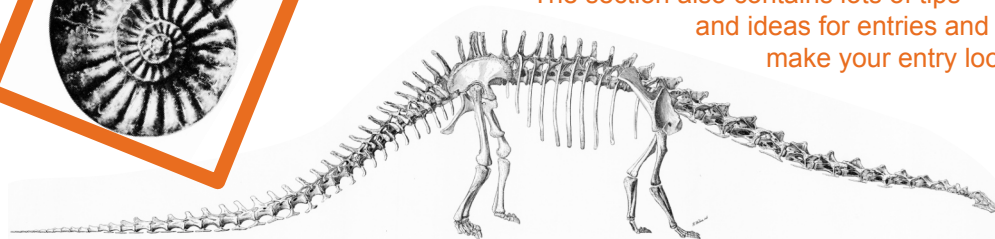
Everyone who enters the competition will receive a small gift. Some of the competition entries may be published in the Rockwatch club magazine in full and we may use extracts from others.

Where to find help and ideas

Movie/Sound entries must be **no longer than 4 minutes** and must be submitted in MP4 format. Help on converting other movie/sound file types to MP4, is in the competitions section of the Rockwatch website (tinyurl.com/3535z9km).



The section also contains lots of tips and ideas for entries and advice on how to make your entry look its best.



What do the judges look for?

They have these criteria when judging each competition entry:

- Originality
- Geological Content
- Geological Accuracy
- Presentation
- Inventiveness and Knowledge (*related to the age of the entrant*).

Rockstar Young Writer

is for those aged between 16 and 18 on 31 August, 2026. Your written entry must be no longer than 1,500 words and illustrated if possible.

The winning **Rockstar Young Writer** receives £150, plus Student membership of the Geologists' Association (GA). Their article may be printed in the GA magazine. (This would look great on your CV when applying for university or a job!)

