

Reading Teachers = Reading Pupils
Key Stage 3 Creative Writing Challenge

Howl's Moving Castle by Diana Wynne Jones is one of our 2026 Reading Teachers = Reading Pupils
KS3 books.

We are challenging KS3 pupils across the country to participate in our creative writing challenge
inspired by **Howl's Moving Castle**.

Choose one of the tasks below.

Either

Write a description suggested by this picture:



Or

Write the opening of a story that begins '*I wasn't supposed to open the door.*'

Or

Write a story about two unlikely characters forced to travel together.

Send your finished pieces to education@cheltenhamfestivals.org by **Thursday 18th June**. One lucky winner will be awarded a prize and a certificate and we will showcase some of the pieces on our website for all to read!