

# *The Edith Nesbit Society*

## *A Children's Poetry Competition*

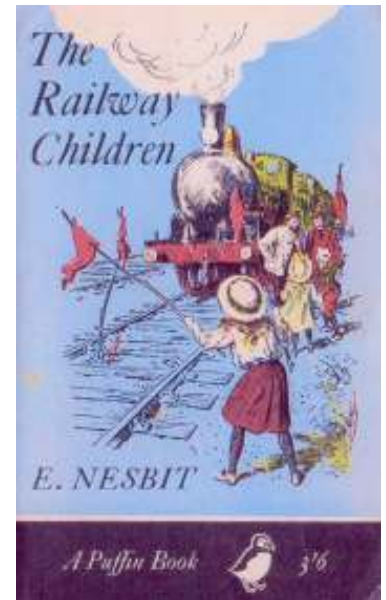
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**To celebrate the 150th anniversary of  
the birth of E Nesbit author of  
'The Railway Children'**

Use your writing skills to create a poem reflecting  
Edith Nesbit's love of nature and children, with just  
a touch of magic.

There are two categories - 6 - 10years and 11 - 16years

**The finalists in each category will be judged by  
author Jacqueline Wilson**



Poems should be in English, no more than 20 lines, not previously accepted for publication  
and must be your own work.

*Here I used to sit and write—verse, verse, always verse—and dream  
of the days when I should be a great poet, like Shakespeare, or  
Christina Rossetti! Ah me! That day was long in coming!  
But I never doubted then that it would come.*

*Edith Nesbit, Halstead, Kent*

Your poem should be sent, no later than Friday 15 August 2008, with an entry form, to:

Mrs Margaret McCarthy, Chairman, The Edith Nesbit Society  
21 Churchfields  
West Malling,  
Kent, ME19 6RJ

or

Email: [Mccarthy804@aol.com](mailto:Mccarthy804@aol.com)

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The winners will be notified by post

