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**BLACK LIVES
MATTER**

Another brilliant opportunity has emerged!

This competition has been organised by Virgin Radio and invites children (aged 5 to 9 and **10 to 13**) to **write a narrative in relation to the Black Lives Matter movement**. The narrative must be **no more than 500 words**

Please visit the website for more details: <https://500words.me/>

SUBMIT YOUR STORY

Opens at 6:30am on Monday 29th June

- Please respond to the themes and issues emerging from the Black Lives Matter movements across the world with an original story in 500 words or fewer
- Anyone can enter within two age ranges: 5 to 9 and 10 to 13
- Entry is open to children of all backgrounds and ethnicity
- Submissions open on Monday 29th June at 06:30 and close at 23:59 on Friday 3rd July 2020



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The **finalists** will be **invited to attend an exciting day of events** starting out at the Virgin Radio Breakfast show with many special surprises to follow (as soon as government guidelines permit this).

The words of many stories will be read out on air by special guests throughout the competition; **some entries may be turned into podcasts read out by special guests.**

Virgin Radio aim to publish 100 stories as a book and yours may be included!



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Please visit: <https://500words.me/competition-rules/> if you are interested.

If you have any questions, please write to this address support@500Words.me.

If you want someone to review your entry before you send it, feel free to send your entries to Mr. Osmany at a.osmany@alperton.brent.sch.uk

A graphic with a teal background featuring several raised hands in various skin tones. The text '500 WORDS' is on the left, 'BLACK LIVES MATTER' is on the right, and two yellow dots are in the center. The text is in a bold, sans-serif font.

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There is also an opportunity for our staff too.

Virgin Radio are looking for volunteers to judge on their panel!

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BECOME A JUDGE

Opens at 6:30am on Monday 29th June

This is a call for hero volunteer judges! We guarantee to read every story submitted but we need your help to do so. If you are a teacher or librarian, please do register to read, mark and judge stories for us. We'll ask you to be verified by a referee. Judging will run from the 29th June until the 8th July.