

The Big Read: Las Cruces Essay Contest

The book that changed my life...

Many people have been touched by our Big Read novel, Bless Me, Ultima by Rudolfo Anaya.

What novel changed your way of thinking, inspired your dreams, or made you a better person?
Write about it!

Essays must be between 300 - 500 words.
One entry per person.

The deadline for submissions is October 19th
No entries will be accepted afterward.
Eligibility is restricted to residents of Dona Ana county.

Send your entries to lascrucesbigread@gmail.com.

Include your name, age (17 and younger, 18 and older), address, and phone number. Proof of residency can be requested. Prizes will be given for each age group.

Essays must be about a novel (no non-fiction).

Contact acgonzal@nmsu.edu or 646-6926 for more information.

Prizes

- 1st place - \$ 150 gift certificate for Barnes and Noble
- 2nd place - \$75 gift certificate for Barnes and Noble
- 3rd place - \$50 gift certificate for Barnes and Noble



The Big Read is a national initiative of the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA), in partnership with the Institute of Museum and Library Services and Arts Midwest, that encourages reading by asking communities to come together and discuss books.

Employees of NMSU's Library and Thomas Branigan Memorial Library are excluded from participating