

# CWSF 2010 - Peterborough, Ontario



## Drew Swan

### Reader Beware

**Division:** International

**Category:** Junior

**Region:** Central Okanagan

**City:** Kelowna, BC

**School:** Dr. Knox Middle School

**Abstract:** My project was designed to see if emotional contagion could be caused through reading. To test this I created 3 stories, one happy, one sad, and one control, then got participants to rate themselves on a happy/sad scale after reading one of these stories. I discovered that emotional contagion occurs if you read a sad story, but doesn't if you read a happy story.

### Biography

I was born in Northamptonshire England, but moved to Canada with my parents and sister in 2006. My dad is English and my mom is Canadian so I have dual citizenship. I earn extra money by delivering papers three times a week. I love sports and play soccer and rugby and enjoy skiing and golf. When I grow up I want to go into a field in math or science, such as an electrical engineer or a physicist.

### Awards

### Value

The Actuarial Foundation of Canada Award - Junior	\$500
The University of Western Ontario Scholarship Silver Medallist - \$2000 Entrance Scholarship Sponsor: University of Western Ontario	\$2 000
Silver Medal - Health Sciences - Junior Sponsor: Canadian Institutes of Health Research	\$700
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3 200</b>