

Become A Writer

{WORKBOOK}



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Purpose:

I wrote this workbook to accompany the Become A Writer e-book. I know you are an action taker so I wanted to give you a helpful tool so you could do just that. Take action. Use this workbook in combination with the e-book and the other bonuses so that way you are fully prepared to write your first fictional book and feel like a real writer all the while.

Take Note: Any advice you receive is relative. Please do not feel overwhelmed by all the writing tips and advice you see on the internet, in books, and elsewhere. Instead, take it with a grain of salt and only use what works for you.

Disclaimers:

The information contained in this guide is for informational purposes only. These are my professional opinions and recommendations.

Users of this guide are advised to do their own due diligence when it comes to making decisions. By reading this guide, you agree that me and my company are not responsible for the success or failure of your writing projects relating to any information presented in this guide.



Who am I?



My name is Alexis and I help self-publishing authors who love to read and write fiction by providing book recommendations and writing advice so they can create stories they are proud to put on their bookshelf.

To say I love reading is an understatement. I understand the impact a story can have on a person. Escaping into a fictional world for a while is like a release. I get to relax and be adventurous at the same time! There is no better combination.

However, I quickly realized that people who want to write fiction are often crippled by self-doubt, confused about where to start, and lack an organized system that supports them in their writing journey. To help, I created Become A Writer so people could find a balance by integrating their passion for writing with their busy life.



Step 1

Commit to being a writer

What does "I am a writer" mean to me?



Why is writing important to me?

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Why do I want to be a writer?

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What kind of writer do I want to be?

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What authors would I like to be like? Would not like to be like?

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In a perfect world, what would my writing journey look like in the next 5 years?

Reflect on my limitations. What negative thoughts do I have about taking writing seriously and being a writer?



What reasons or excuses do I give myself for not writing and not calling myself a writer? (Try using “the because technique”)

Where or who will I go to for support along my writing journey?



What writing goal do I want to set for myself in 5 years, 1 year, and in the next 90 days?



Step 2: Set up your writing space

Where will my writing space be located?

What do I need to get to set up a writing space that works for me?

- Writing utensils
- Paper
- Laptop or computer
- Other technology (tablet, electronic notetaker, timer, etc.?)
- A hard surface to write on (desk, laptop tray, etc.?)
- Decorations that make me feel creative and inspired to write (quotes, posters, knickknacks, etc.?)
- Something that keeps me focused (classical music, white noise machine, etc.?)



What tools and resources do I need to put on my laptop or computer?

- Writing platform (Microsoft office, google docs, WriteNext, OpenOffice, Reedsy, Scrivener, etc.?)
- A tool to block distractions
- Choose a filing system (file explorer on your computer, or use OneDrive, google drive, DropBox, etc.)
- Organize filing system by creating a main folder (ex. “writing workspace”) and subfolders (ex. “titles of your stories)



Step 3 Create A Plan

Who do I want to be in 5 years?

How would I become that person?



What 90-day goal categories aligns with who I am as a person?

What goal do I want to set for each category for the next 90 days?



What day will I conduct my weekly reviews?

Monday Friday

What tools do I need to stay on track with my goals?

- Get a planner (physical or using an online calendar)
- Use the productive writer sheets provided with the Become A Writer e-book



Step 4 Read

How often will I read for fun?

What books do I want to read for fun?



How often will I read critically?

What books do I want to read critically?



Step 5 Practice Writing

How will I practice writing?

How often will I practice writing? (Recommended: at least 15min a day)



Congratulations!

You have officially become a writer. Keep implementing what you have learned from the Become A Writer e-book, workbook, checklists, planner, and the professional authors habits list.

If you would like to learn more, I suggest looking at the additional resources and next steps guide.

