

7-Day Beginner Writing Plan by Viola Emkay

Amazing! You've taken the first step into becoming a writer! Downloading this writing plan! Before you start, find a comfortable place to write!

Before you start this plan make sure you know WHY you're doing this! When you're struggling throughout these next 7-days, refer to the reason you're doing this!

Name:

Why I'm going to COMPLETE this writing plan:

Day 1: Simple Start

a. Write a journal entry of your day as if it were someone else's story.

If you think your story is too basic, write about your thoughts throughout the day as well.

Day 2: Need to Read

a. Write a short story using a writing prompt.

It can be a detailed or an open-ended prompt, just find a prompt you like! If you're unsure of a word count, try to write at least 300 words!

b. Read a novel

Choose your favourite novel or any novel you like that you've READ BEFORE! It may be too long to finish in a day, especially if you're busy, so read what you can.

(1-2 chapters would be best, if possible)

Name of Novel:

Pages:

Day 3: Self-Reflection

a. Reread the pages from Day 2.

What do you see differently after rereading? Take notes on how the author writes, what you like, what you don't and any other notes that you want to refer to when you write next.

My Notes:

b. Reflect on Day 1's story.

Use the notes above to think; What do I want to change from Day 1's story?

Reflection:

c. Rewrite Day 1's story.

Take your new knowledge from the notes above and the reflection, to rewrite Day 1's story.

Day 4: Short Stories

a. Write a Short Story

Unlike day 2, use your creativity to write a short story. If you can't find an idea try a different method of finding an idea. Once again, try to fill all the below.

b. Read 3 Short Stories.

Then pick your favourite of the 3 and study the story. *Note: If you don't have short stories at home, you can find some online!*

Name of Story #1:

Thoughts:

Name of Story #2:

Thoughts:

Name of Story #3:

Thoughts:

My Notes: (Think: plot, characters, setting, what made you like the story)

Day 5: A Break

a. Reflect on what you've learned so far.

Reflection: (Look back on previous days!)

b. Read Anything

Read anything! Preferably, a piece of fiction, but if you don't have the time you can read anything else!

What I Read Today:

Time:

Day 6: Character Creation

a. Create an interesting character

Use what you've learned through the reflections and notes taken the past week.

Name:

Age:

Place of Birth:

Currently Living:

Physical Description:

Backstory:

Desire:
Fear:
Personality:
Relationships:
Other:

b. Compare this character to the character you studied on day 4.
Comparison: (Think: Which character do you like more? Why?)

c. Write a short story for your character.
Try to use some of the information you've learned this week while writing.

Day 7: Plot Investigation

a. Research plot structure and tips online.
Keep in open-mind, don't think that only one article is correct. Write notes on what you like, want to use and what you find in common within articles.

Research Notes:

b. Reread Day 4's Short Story.
Take notes only on the plot this time
Name of Story:
Plot Notes:

c. Rewrite Day 6's story.
Use the new information you've learned on plot! This is your last story of the week so work hard!

Congratulations! You're now finished this 7-Day Writing Plan!!
Contact me @<http://www.violaemkay.com/contact/> to let me know how this week went!