# How To Write Great Serious Nonfiction And Get It Published

Learn everything you need to know to write and publish a compelling and successful serious nonfiction book.



## Thinking Like Your Editor: How to Write Great Serious Nonfiction and Get It Published by Susan Rabiner

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#### **Crafting a Compelling Story**

The first step to writing a great serious nonfiction book is to craft a compelling story. This means finding a topic that you're passionate about and that you believe will resonate with readers. It also means developing a strong narrative structure that will keep readers engaged from beginning to end.

Here are some tips for crafting a compelling story:

Start with a strong hook. The first few sentences of your book should grab the reader's attention and make them want to keep reading.

- Develop a clear narrative arc. Your book should have a clear beginning, middle, and end. The plot should build to a climax and then resolve in a satisfying way.
- Use vivid language and imagery. Help readers visualize the setting and characters in your book. Use sensory details to create a rich and immersive experience.
- Make your characters relatable. Readers should be able to identify with your characters and their struggles. Develop complex and wellrounded characters that readers will care about.
- Write with a clear and concise style. Your writing should be easy to read and understand. Avoid using jargon or technical terms that your readers may not be familiar with.

#### Finding an Agent

Once you've finished writing your book, the next step is to find an agent. An agent will help you get your book published by submitting it to publishers on your behalf. They will also negotiate your contract and advocate for your interests.

Here are some tips for finding an agent:

- Research agents. There are many literary agents out there, so it's important to do your research to find the right one for you. Look for agents who represent books in your genre and who have a good track record of success.
- Write a strong query letter. Your query letter is your chance to introduce yourself and your book to an agent. It should be well-written

and persuasive, and it should highlight the key selling points of your book.

Attend industry events. Industry events are a great way to meet agents and learn about the publishing process. Attend book fairs, conferences, and workshops to network with agents and get your book in front of them.

#### **Getting Your Book Published**

Once you've found an agent, the next step is to get your book published. This can be a long and challenging process, but it's also an exciting one. Here are some tips for getting your book published:

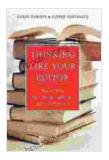
- Be patient. It can take time to find the right agent and get your book published. Don't get discouraged if you don't get an immediate response from agents. Keep submitting your work and eventually you will find success.
- Work with your agent. Your agent is your partner in the publishing process. They will help you prepare your book for submission to publishers and negotiate your contract. Trust your agent and work closely with them to achieve your publishing goals.
- Be prepared to revise your work. Publishers will often ask for revisions before they agree to publish your book. Be prepared to make changes to your manuscript to make it as strong as possible.
- Celebrate your success! Getting your book published is a major achievement. Take some time to celebrate your success and enjoy the fruits of your labor.

#### Ready to Write and Publish Your Serious Nonfiction Book?

This comprehensive guide has given you everything you need to know to write and publish a great serious nonfiction book. Now it's up to you to take the next step and make your dream a reality.

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