

SNOWFLAKE METHOD

Tools:

- GITHUB
- REMARKABLE
- IPHONE JOURNAL
- DISCORD
- GIT BOOK(?)
- WIKI(?)
- GHOSTWRITER.KDE.ORG(?)
- MANUSKRIPT(?)
- NOVEL WRITER.10(?)

1) ONE-SENTENCE SUMMARY OF THE NOVEL: "A ROGUE PHYSICIST TRAVELS BACK IN TIME TO KILL THE APOSTLE PAUL."

- SHORT, 15 WDS OR FEWER
- NO NAMES
- TIE IN BIG PICTURE AND PERSONAL PICTURE
WHICH CHAR HAS MOST TO LOSE, WHAT ~~DO~~ THEY WANT TO WIN?

2) EXPAND SENTENCE TO PARAGRAPH

- DESCRIBE STORY SETUP, MAJOR DISASTERS, ENDING
"THREE DISASTERS PLUS AN ENDING"
- FIRST DISASTER EXTERNAL, SUBSEQUENT DISASTERS RESULTS OF CHARACTER REACTION TO FIRST
- FIVE SENTENCES:
 - 1) BACK DROP AND STORY SETUP
 - 2-4) ONE EACH FOR DISASTERS
 - 5) ENDING

3) CHARACTERS: ONE PAGE PER CHAR DETAILING →

- NAME • ONE SENTENCE STORYLINE SUMMARY
- ABSTRACT DESIRES AND MOTIVATIONS • CONCRETE GOALS
- CONFLICT PREVENTING GOALS • EPIPHANY (LEARN/CHANGE)
- PARAGRAPH SUMMARY OF WHOLE STORYLINE AS ABOVE

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4) EXPAND EACH SENTENCE OF SUMMARY INTO A PARAGRAPH THAT ENDS IN DISASTER, EXCEPT THE LAST. THE LAST EXPLAINS THE ENDING.

5) ONE-PAGE DESCRIPTION OF EACH MAJOR CHARACTER AND HALF PAGE OF OTHER IMPORTANT CHARACTER SHOULD TELL THE STORY OF THE NOVEL FROM CHARACTER POV

6) EXPAND ONE-PAGE PLOT SYNOPSIS TO FOUR PAGE PLOT SYNOPSIS. FOCUS ON HIGH-LEVEL STORY LOGIC

7) EXPAND CHARACTER DESCRIPTIONS INTO FULL CHARIS
• NAME, AGE, DESCRIPTION (VISUAL), DESCRIPTION (PERSONALITY), HISTORY, GOALS/MOTIVATIONS
• FOCUS: HOW WILL CHARACTER CHANGE AT END OF STORY?

➔ READ/FOR PROPOSAL IF PUBLISHED AUTHOR
- SUBMIT CHAR BASED PROPOSAL TO SHOW CHARACTER DRIVEN NOVEL

8) USE 4-PAGE SYNOPSIS TO SCENE THE NOVEL w/ EXCEL
• ONE LINE PER SCENE: POV CHAR | DESCRIPTION
• AFTER, DIVIDE WITH DETAILS COLUMNS (PAGES, CHAPTERS, ACTS)

9) EXPAND EACH SPREADSHEET SCENE INTO A NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF THE SCENE. INCLUDE SKELETON OF DIALOG AND CONFLICT. CUT NO-CONFLICT SCENES.

9.5) WRITE ONE OR TWO-PAGE PER CHAPTER SYNOPSIS INTO A PROTOTYPE FIRST DRAFT

10) WRITE THE FIRST DRAFT
-MIDWAY, ADJUST DESIGN DOCUMENTS
(STEPS 1-8)