One way to approach writing in stages is to break it down into prewriting, writing, revising, editing, and publishing. Prewriting involves brainstorming, outlining, and researching. Writing is the stage where you put your thoughts into words. Revising involves rethinking, rearranging, and rewriting parts of your draft. Editing is about fixing grammar, punctuation, and style. Finally, publishing means sharing your work with your audience.