

NOVELOS USER GUIDE

To add

Line spacing for Novelos

Need an API key for AI features

The Command Palette (Quick Navigation)

Shortcut: `Ctrl + K` (Windows/Linux) or `Cmd + K` (Mac)

The Command Palette is a "power-user" tool designed to keep your hands on the keyboard. It acts as a universal search bar for your entire project.

- Instant Navigation: Type a chapter title (e.g., "Chapter 5") to jump directly to it in the Manuscript view.
- Asset Lookup: Type a character name (e.g., "Oscar") or a World Item to instantly switch to Assembly view and expand that specific card.
- Action Toggles: Quickly toggle Focus Mode or Fullscreen without hunting for icons in the toolbar.

2. The Safety Net (Crash Recovery)

Modern software is complex, and unexpected errors can occur. Novelos includes a robust "Safety Net" to prevent data loss.

- Behavior: If the application encounters a critical error that would normally cause a "white screen" crash, the Safety Net activates immediately.
- Rescue Backup: A calm, dark-themed screen will appear with a "Download Rescue Backup" button. Clicking this saves a complete JSON snapshot of your project state at the exact moment of the crash.
- Recovery: You can reload the app and use the Import function to restore the rescue file, ensuring you never lose your hard work.

PART I: NOVELI

Introduction: Writing unbound and uncompromised

Noveli is an ultra-portable, single file, horizontally scrolling word processor for creative writers that is free for everyone to use. It is a portable expression of Novelos, a long-form novel operating system, built by [Thomas Corfield](#), a novelist frustrated that word processors typically use vertically scrolling portrait pages on landscape monitors that waste valuable screen space, even with page fitting, and have poor pagination. Noveli offers the solution in a revolutionary, Single-File Application that redefines digital writing by putting absolute control back in the hands of the author. It combines the instant speed of local software with the essential flexibility of the cloud.

The Hybrid Advantage

Because Novelis just a file, you decide where it lives. For offline security, keep the file on your hard disk for zero-latency performance and total privacy. Alternatively, save your Novelis file in Google Drive, Dropbox, OneDrive or Box folder. This gives you the instant load times of a local app with the automatic backup and cross-device accessibility of the cloud.

Either way, Novelis has zero-Footprint Writing: Carry Novelis on a USB stick and open it on any machine, such as a library computer or borrowed laptop, without installation or leaving any software traces behind.

Novelis application code and your entire manuscript live together in one portable HTML file.

You Own the File, You Own the Words : You are never trapped. You can store it on a USB drive, email it, or keep it in an offline digital vault. Moreover, Novelis will function forever, requiring only a web browser, such as Chrome, Edge, or Safari, to open and edit your work. No servers, subscriptions, or licenses required.

The Interface: The Infinite Spread, designed for Novelists

Novelis's design maximizes writing real estate and beautiful pagination through a minimalist yet highly aesthetic interface.

Maximized Real Estate

The dual-pane editor fills the full width of your landscape monitor to allow complete immersion into your text.

Horizontal Momentum means progress, not pits

Novelis rejects the "Endless Vertical Scroll" that creates a psychological feeling of a never-ending task through a bottomless pit of text. Instead, Novelis flows horizontally. When you fill a page, the text snaps forward. This creates a satisfying, rhythmic sense of completion and forward momentum, similar to turning the pages of a physical book but with no chance of papercuts.

Navigation

Use the mouse scroll wheel to rapidly scrub through your work, or PageUp and Down to flip spreads.

Focus Mode

Press the Eye Icon to enter Focus Mode. The UI vanishes. It is just you and the narrative, suspended in your chosen aesthetic.

Seamless Integration with the Novelos Suite

Novelis is your portable word processor that integrates seamlessly into Novelos Desktop, the flagship Application and Publishing Headquarters designed specifically to support novelists with advanced structural, AI and marketing tools. (See Part II).

Aesthetics & Flow

A beautiful environment fosters beautiful writing, inducing a creative writing flow state.

Design Gallery

Click the Pencil Icon to access themes to match your mood. For example, use Midnight or Gothic for horror, or Sepia or Paperback for romance, or whatever is easier on your eyes. It's essentially an array of light and dark modes.

Dynamic Backgrounds

Paste any image URL into the background field to create your own theme. Novelis's engine analyzes the image, extracts the dominant colors and automatically recolors the entire interface, including text, buttons and accents, to harmonize with your visual inspiration. This visual cue creates a mood for your story world or chapter scenery to help enter a creative flow state.

Typewriter Sounds

Click the Speaker icon to enable mechanical keyboard sounds. This auditory feedback establishes a rhythm that helps keep your fingers moving. These are mathematically generated using the Web Audio API to keep the file small; no external MP3s are loaded.

Iconography Reference: Decoding Your Workspace

Noveli and Novelos Manuscript mode use a minimalist, symbolic interface designed to be unobtrusive until needed.

Icon Name	Function	Category
	Hides all toolbars, borders, and elements instantly. Toggle with ESC .	Navigation & View
	Toggles the browser's full-screen mode. Combined with Focus Mode, this creates a dedicated writing appliance that only contains written text.	Navigation & View
	Toggles between Horizontal Scroll and Fade transitions between spreads. Fade is recommended for e-ink users or those prone to motion sickness.	Navigation & View
	Opens the visual customization suite. Choose color themes, upload background images via URL, and adjust image opacity.	Immersion & Atmosphere
	Instantly swaps the current background image to the next one in your Design Gallery.	Immersion & Atmosphere
	Enables/Disables Typewriter Mode, adding high-quality mechanical keyboard sounds and a bell 'ding'.	Immersion & Atmosphere
	(Novelos only) Opens the Text-to-Speech player. Listen to your chapter read back to you to catch rhythm issues.	Immersion & Atmosphere
	Displays your Manuscript Goal and Daily Goal. Visualizes your progress.	Analysis & Assistance
	Toggles the side panel. Contains Chapter Notes, (In Novelos, it also contains the AI Assist chat interface, and Beta Feedback summary space).	Analysis & Assistance
	Switches the text between Left-Aligned and Justified (classic book print style with automatic hyphenation for improved aesthetics).	The Writing Engine

	Spellcheck Toggle	Toggles the browser's native spell checker on or off.	The Writing Engine
	AI Proofreader	(Novelos only) Scans your chapter for grammar, punctuation and stylistic errors, offering author voice and context-aware corrections.	The Writing Engine
	Text Shortcuts	Opens the Shortcuts Manager. Define custom expansions.	The Writing Engine
	Find & Replace	Opens a search dialog for Find and Replace that operates on the current chapter or entire manuscript.	The Writing Engine
	Version History	(Novelo only) Only active when saved to a Folder. Shows auto-saved snapshots.	System & Data
	Cloud Sync	(Novelos only) Connects Novelis to your Google Drive (or other providers) to back up/restore your file.	System & Data
	Customize Toolbar	(Novelos only) Opens the configuration menu. Location to show/hide buttons.	System & Data
	User Guide	Opens the in-app documentation.	System & Data
	Donate/Support	A link to support the developer.	System & Data

Saving

How Saving Works in Novelis (the Portable word processor)

Noveli operates differently from standard desktop software because it runs entirely inside a web browser (via the Novelis.html file). Browsers are restricted from directly overwriting files on your hard drive for security reasons. Therefore, Novelis uses a "Snapshot & Sync" saving method.

The "Save" Action

When you click Export/Save (or press Ctrl+S) inside the portable Novelis interface, the app does not overwrite the HTML file you are currently using. Instead, it instantly packages your current manuscript, settings and notes into a Timestamped ZIP File (*Novelis_Bookname_Day_Month_24Hour-Min.zip*) and downloads it to your preferred location, such as the computer being worked from or a thumb drive.

What's Inside the Zip:

noveli_data.json: The "brain" of your project. This file is what the main Novelos Desktop app looks for to sync your progress.

RTF_Backups folder: Standard Rich Text Format copies of every chapter. These are readable by Word, Google Docs or Scrivener, ensuring your words are never locked inside the Novelis system.

Closing the Loop (Syncing)

To bring your writing back into the main Novelos Desktop app:

1. Open Novelos Desktop.
2. Click Import from Novel.
3. Select the most recent ZIP file you downloaded from the portable Novel session.
4. Novelos will update your main project file with the new content. It will even warn you if the most recent zip has not been selected.
5. Your entire project is instantly transferred into the full Novelos suite, including any design changes made to the interface, where you can unlock the advanced power of Assembly Mode with its dynamic crosslinking AI features.

Have a great time writing with Novel!

PART II: NOVELOS OVERVIEW

Philosophy

Novelos is a Long-form Novel Operating System Desktop program. It is designed to act as a specialized publishing team, with copy and technical editors, beta readers and publicist that works for the author to amplify their specific style and drastically reduce the time required for editing, feedback, marketing and promotion, all of which allows more time for writing.

To clarify: Novel vs. Novelos

Noveli: The portable, single-file word-processor on a stick. It is designed to be carried on a USB drive and run on any computer, such as library, café or legacy hardware, without installation or admin rights to allow writing your novel under any circumstances.

Novelos (The Novel OS): This is the full novel-writing suite that integrates a more powerful version of Novel. It can also import chapters written in Novel and apply the heavy lifting of structuring a novel, such as AI analysis, plot mapping and world-building.

SECTION A: MANUSCRIPT MODE

Manuscript Mode is the writing interface and the heart of Novelos. It is designed to be a distraction-free, immersive writing environment. It mirrors the book-spread layout of the portable Novel word processor while layering powerful, context-aware AI agents on top of text input. *Novelos does not write for you*. Rather, it analyzes the entire manuscript *as it evolves* to learn the author's tone, vocabulary and rhythm to ensure all suggestions match the established voice.

The Editor Interface

Book Spread Layout

The editor automatically calculates the screen width and splits the text into a two-column "book spread" view, mimicking a physical book where text flows horizontally from page to page. This reflowable and adaptive text, including font size, is visually pleasing and allows more words per page than vertical orientation.

The AI Assist Panel (Sidebar)

Located in the side panel, and toggled via the Notebook icon, this is an in-line voice and context aware editorial brain of Novelos that reads your manuscript to understand your style before offering feedback.

Tab 1: AI Assist (Developmental Editing)

The author highlights text and drags it into the "Drop Zone" for targeted feedback.

- **Flow & Pacing Check:** Analyzes sentence rhythm, looking for clunky phrasing or run-on sentences.
- **Show, Don't Tell:** Identifies abstract summaries and suggests concrete sensory details to deepen immersion.
- **Dialogue & Voice Review:** Compares selected dialogue against a character's established profile and previous lines to ensure consistency.
- **Tension Injection:** Suggests narrative devices (e.g., ticking clock, subtle threat) to raise the stakes in flat scenes.

Tab 2: Beta Feedback Summarizer (Human & AI)

The Beta Reader Room: A simulation engine that tests the manuscript against specific AI personas before human review. This includes the Cynical Critic, Romance Reader, Hard Sci-Fi Fan and Pacing Expert, which provides immediate, diverse feedback angles on any chapter.

Feedback Summarizer: Allows the author to paste raw, unstructured comments from human beta readers. This synthesizes the text into structured categories: Key Themes, Structural Criticisms, Positive Reactions and Actionable Suggestions, which prevents edit paralysis by prioritizing feedback.

Tab 3: Chapter Notes & Excerpts

A digital scratchpad for manual notes or saving excerpts from the editor. Excerpts can be sent to the Social Media panel in Assembly Mode. This keeps research and to-do items contextually linked to the specific chapter without necessitating moving away from the writing pane.

Contextual Intelligence Tools

The "What If?" Engine

Accessed by highlighting text and right-clicking in the editor, it generates 3 plausible alternative outcomes for a highlighted plot point based on the preceding story trajectory. This helps authors explore narrative branches and cures writer's block.

Smart Read Aloud (Neural TTS)

An advanced Text-to-Speech engine where specific neural voices (e.g., 'Kore', 'Fenrir') can be assigned to characters. It allows authors to "hear" their dialogue performed to check for naturalism and rhythmic issues.

AI Proofreader

Accessed via the Toolbar, it scans the chapter for spelling, grammar, and punctuation errors, providing an explanation for each correction. This acts as a final polish, catching technical errors that standard spellcheckers miss.

Toolbar Utilities

Design Gallery

This allows full customization of the editor's aesthetic, including fonts, background colors (Themes like "Midnight" or "Sepia"), and background images. Related to this is the Design Gallery (Cycling) button, which allows cycling through background wallpapers. This reduces eye strain and helps the author stay immersed in the story.

Version History

Tracks local saves of the chapter, allowing the user to view previous drafts and "Restore" them. It provides a safety net, encouraging fearless editing.

Writing Stats & Goals

Tracks Session Word Count vs. Total Manuscript Word Count. Users can set Daily Goals. This gamifies the writing process, providing motivation and a clear sense of progress.

Find & Replace

Standard search functionality with "Case Sensitive" and "Whole Word" toggles for the current chapter or entire manuscript. This is essential for fixing recurring typos or renaming characters.

5. File Management

Export for Novel

This packages the *entire* project (Chapters, Settings, Assets) into a standalone HTML/Zip file. This portable version of the book that can be opened on any device with a browser, allowing for writing on the go without installing software.

Save to Folder

Writes the project data to the local file system in a structured format (RTF files for chapters, JSON for metadata). This ensures the user owns their data in a universal, non-proprietary format that can be opened by other word processors (Word, Scrivener) if needed.

SECTION B: ASSEMBLY MODE

The Story Factory & Command Center (Overview)

Assembly Mode is the structural backend of Novelos. It replaces the traditional "binder" or folder structure with an intelligent and interconnected database. It uses "Intelligent Linking" to ensure that notes, characters and world-building details evolve dynamically as the manuscript is written. It is where an author's broad and rough ideas for a book can be effectively dumped before writing on opening word, to become intelligently built into a structure from which book chapters, character and world building can be clarified.

1. The Chapter Board

Structure & Pacing Command Center: The Chapter Panel serves as the architectural blueprint of the novel. It moves beyond simple list views to offer a visual, interactive workspace where the narrative arc is constructed, analyzed and refined.

Act Structure Kanban:

New chapters start in an unassigned "Chapter Pool." Authors can then drag chapters from the pool into Act 1, Act 2, or Act 3. This allows for fluid structural experimentation without rewriting the text.

The Pacing Heatmap:

A color-coded bar graph sits at the top of the interface to provide a visual tension metric. The AI analyzes the summary and content of every chapter to assign a "Pacing Score" (-1 for slow/introspective, +1 for fast/action). This is then used for diagnostics, where high-intensity scenes appear Red; slower scenes appear Blue. This allows authors to instantly diagnose structural problems, such as a "saggy middle" (too much blue) or "burnout pacing" (no cooldowns).

The Living Outline:

This employs a form of dual-direction editing. The author jots down, for example, "Hero fights dragon." The AI expands this into a full Scene Summary, detailed Outline and Thematic Analysis. Importantly, if the author changes the plot while writing the actual prose, they can click "Update from Manuscript." The AI reads the new text and rewrites the outline to match reality, keeping the bible synchronized.

Cinematic Storyboarding is utilised when the AI automatically generates an atmospheric image representing the mood and setting of the chapter based on its contents. This helps the author when arranging chapters into acts. If an author loves a specific generated image, they can "Lock" it to prevent future AI updates from overwriting it.

Character Injection can be performed by authors dragging Character Tiles directly onto a Chapter Card to tag them as present in that scene. This is used for cross linking and assisting in AI-driven snippet assignments. If a snippet from the repository is assigned to a chapter, it appears here, ensuring the author remembers to include that specific line of dialogue or observation.

2. The Character Cast

Dynamic Persona Engine: The Character Panel is more than a list of names; it is a simulation of the novel's cast. It focuses on depth, visualization and the evolving web of relationships between actors in the story.

Generative Profile Creation:

From Concept to Person: An author types brief notes (e.g., "Grumpy old watchmaker, secret past"). The AI expands this into a comprehensive profile including: Tagline & Keywords, Detailed Biography, and AI Photography.

Evolutionary Profiling:

Dynamic Updates: As the story progresses, characters change. The "Update from Manuscript" feature scans every chapter the character appears in. If the character becomes more cynical or suffers an injury in the text, the AI updates their profile and summary to reflect this new status.

The Relationship Web:

Reciprocal Linking: The system analyzes character interactions. If Character A's profile notes that they "Hate Character B," the system automatically updates Character B's profile to note that they are "Hated by Character A."

Contextual Extraction: The AI scans the manuscript to identify implied relationships that the author may not have explicitly noted in the profile.

Cast Management:

Primary Status: Authors can star "Primary" characters (Protagonists/Antagonists) to visually highlight their cards and prioritize them in AI analysis contexts.

Visual Customization: Character cards can be color-coded (e.g., villains in red, allies in green) or styled with different accent shapes to visually group factions or families.

3. The Snippet Repository

This is an Idea Scrapyard & Placement Engine and a solution to the writer's most common dilemma: "I wrote a brilliant paragraph, but I don't know where it fits yet." It transforms a chaotic document of random thoughts into a structured, searchable and actionable database.

The Intelligent Dropbox:

Authors can paste massive blocks of disorganized text—dialogue fragments, shower thoughts, dream journals—into the "Dropbox" area. The system then analyzes the raw input and separates distinct ideas into individual cards. It automatically cleans up formatting and assigns a Type, such as "Dialogue," "Internal Monologue" or "World-Building Note". These entries are then tagged. The AI scans the content of the snippet to detect which characters are involved. It automatically tags the snippet with those characters.

The Placement Engine:

Contextual Matching is the repository's most powerful feature. If an author has a snippet but no immediate home for it, they can click "Suggest Placement." A structural analysis is performed, where the AI reads the summaries and outlines of every chapter in the novel. It compares the snippet's content against the narrative arc and suggests the top 3 chapters where the snippet would logically fit, providing a "Confidence Score" and a justification.

Integration & Tracking:

With one click, a snippet can be "sent" to a specific chapter card. It travels from the repository to the Chapter Board, appearing as a "Linked Snippet" on that chapter's dashboard. These snippets are tracked as "Used" or "Unused," allowing authors to filter the view and ensure no good idea is left behind.

4. Social Media Studio

This is an Automated Publicist, where the Social Media Studio turns the manuscript into a marketing engine. Unlike generic marketing tools, this module is "Voice-Aware," meaning every piece of content generated is strictly aligned with the narrative tone and style of the novel.

The Excerpt Hunter:

Instead of the author manually hunting for good quotes, they can select a chapter and ask the AI to "Generate Excerpts" via automated discovery: The system scans the current chapter in the manuscript mode and identifies 3-5 high-engagement hooks, such as cliffhangers, romantic moments, or witty one-liners, suitable for social media.

Generative Visuals:

When an excerpt is selected, the AI analyzes the visual descriptions within the text to generate a high-fidelity, cinematic image representing that specific scene. Importantly,

authors can toggle between "Mood Only" (atmospheric landscapes/scenery, no people) and "With Characters", which generates an image that includes the character described in the excerpt, that even includes imagery based on the character headshots.

Voice-Matched Copywriting:

The engine then generates distinct copy for Instagram, including concise captions, extensive real-time researched hashtag clusters and script-like hooks typical of TikTok copy.

Importantly, the AI analyzes the Manuscript Context before writing the caption. If the book is a dark, brooding thriller, the Instagram caption will be dark and brooding. If it's a rom-com, the caption will be bubbly and fun. In this way, it never sounds like a generic bot.

The Variant Engine:

Authors can also click "Repurpose" to generate multiple variations of a single post to "Make it Funny," "Make it Dramatic," "Make it Mysterious", to test different marketing angles for the same scene.

5. The Crucible (World Building)

The World Building panel, known as "The Crucible," solves the problem of "World Builder's Disease", where authors spend more time organizing wikis than writing. Again, it allows authors to dump chaotic, unorganized thoughts and have the system structure them automatically.

Alchemical Distillation:

Authors paste raw, messy text into the "Crucible" text area. This can be anything from "The magic system uses crystals but they explode if you sing" to a 5-page history of a fictional war. Clicking "Distill Notes" triggers the AI to analyze the text. It identifies distinct entities (Locations, Lore, Objects, Organizations, Concepts) and extracts them into individual, structured database cards. A chaotic paragraph becomes three distinct entries: A "Location" card for the Crystal Mines, a "Lore" card for the Magic System, and an "Object" card for the Singing Crystals.

The Map Builder:

This is a visual geography canvas where authors can place pins to represent locations. If the author has written chapters but hasn't made a map, they can click "Suggest Locations." The AI reads the manuscript, identifies key geographical settings mentioned in the text, and automatically places pins on the map with coordinate suggestions based on travel times implied in the story.

Codex Entry Refinement:

Each world item has a "Refine" button. It takes rough bullet points, such as "Big sword, cursed, red glow", and rewrites them into a professional "Codex Entry" style description suitable for a series bible or RPG sourcebook.

6. Plot Brainstorming Suite

The Plot Brainstorming panel acts as a high-level developmental editor and is a Structural Analyst. It does not look at grammar; it looks at the *architecture* of the story. It is designed to find structural weaknesses before they become permanent problems.

Pacing & Structure Timeline:

Generates a linear timeline of the story as a visual arc and marks key beat points, such as Inciting Incident, Rising Action, Climax and Resolution. If the AI detects that the "Rising

Action" is too long without a major plot point, it flags a "Pacing Drag" warning that can be rectified, perhaps by inserting an additional chapter or reworking existing ones

[Relationship Dynamics Mapper:](#)

The author selects two characters, such as Protagonist and Rival to reveal Sentiment Graphing. The system generates a line graph tracking their relationship status across the chapters in easily interpreted visual representation. The Y-axis represents Sentiment (Hostile to Allied), and the X-axis represents Chapters. This arc verification allows the author to visually verify if, for example, the "Enemies to Lovers" arc actually progresses smoothly or if it jumps abruptly.

[Opportunity Detector:](#)

Plot hole scanning assesses chapter summaries for logical inconsistencies, such as Item X was destroyed in Ch 3 but used in Ch 10. It then provides twist suggestions to help resolve loose ends or underutilized foreshadowing, and suggests narrative opportunities or callbacks that would make the story feel more cohesive.

[Character Arc Stress Test:](#)

This motivation check analyzes a character's actions against their stated profile. If a character defined as "cowardly" performs a heroic act without proper setup, the system flags it as "Out of Character" and suggests scenes to bridge the gap.

[7. Synopsis & Market Mode](#)

[The Automated Sales Department:](#)

While the rest of Novelos focuses on creating the story, the Synopsis panel focuses on selling it. It analyzes the completed or in-progress manuscript to generate the materials required for publishing and marketing.

[Market Analyst:](#)

The AI analyzes the story's themes, tropes, and tone to suggest 3-5 real-world comparable titles, such as "It's Gone Girl meets The Martian".

[BISAC Codes & Keywords:](#)

Automatically generates the industry-standard metadata required for Amazon KDP and library categorization.

[Synopsis Generator:](#)

This provides a multi-format output by generating two distinct versions of the story summary based on the actual chapter contents. The Query Synopsis is a short teaser designed to hook agents/editors (300 words), while the Full Synopsis is a complete breakdown of the narrative arc, including the ending and spoilers, required for editorial review (1000+ words).

[Promotional Asset Creator:](#)

This includes a Logline Generator that distills 100,000 words into a single, punchy sentence "elevator pitch," and also suggests the ideal reader profile by determining a persona of the target demographic to help the author tailor their social media strategy.

Assembly Mode: Complete Feature Guides

1. Novelos Assembly Mode: Chapter Management Guide

The Chapter interface in Assembly Mode is the structural backbone of your novel. It functions as a dynamic "Story Board," allowing you to visualize, reorganize, and deepen the narrative arc of your book. Unlike static outlining tools, this board is bi-directional: it can generate plans for you to write, or it can read what you've already written to update your outline automatically.

The Chapter Board (Kanban View)

The main view organizes your chapters into structural buckets, typically following a Three Act Structure.

Act Containers & The Pool

- Function: Chapters are displayed as cards. You can drag and drop chapters between "The Pool" (unassigned ideas) and specific Acts (Act 1, Act 2, Act 3).
- Behavior: Dragging a chapter reorders it instantly. The chapter numbers update automatically based on their new linear position (e.g., if you drag Chapter 5 to the Chapter 2 spot, it becomes Chapter 2, and all subsequent chapters renumber).
- Advantage: Allows for fluid structural editing. You can experiment with non-linear timelines or move a flashback sequence to a different Act without manually renaming every file.

Pacing Heatmap

- Located at the top of the panel, this is a color-coded bar graph representing the entire book.
- Function: It analyzes the summary of every chapter to assign a "Pacing Score" from -1 (Slow/Introspective) to +1 (Fast/Action).
- Blue/Cool Colors: Setup, reflection, exposition, low tension. Red/Hot Colors: Climax, fight scenes, high conflict, fast dialogue.
- Example: A thriller novel should ideally look like a gradient getting hotter towards the end, with cool "breather" chapters interspersed. If the middle of the bar is entirely solid blue, you have a "saggy middle."
- Advantage: Visualizes the invisible rhythm of the novel. It helps authors spot structural pacing issues instantly that might otherwise take a full read-through to detect.

Chapter Thumbnails (Card View)

When chapters are collapsed on the board, they provide a high-level "glance" at the scene.

Visual & Meta Data

- Function: Displays the Chapter Number, Title, and a visual "Scene Card" image. It also lists the top 3 Keywords (e.g., "Betrayal," "Rain," "Gunshot").
- Advantage: Enables "Visual Outlining." Instead of reading text titles like "Chapter 4," you see the image of the Burning Barn, triggering instant recall of the scene's content.

Accent Styles

- Function: Users can cycle through visual accent styles (Corner Diagonal, Left Ingress, Outline) using the "Brush" icon.
- Advantage: Allows the author to color-code chapters by POV (Point of View), timeline, or subplot status without relying on text labels.

Expanded Chapter Mode (The Detail Editor)

Clicking the "Chevron" or the thumbnail expands the card into a full editorial interface. This is the command center for a specific chapter.

Visual Header & Image Generator

- Function: A large header containing the Scene Image. Users can upload their own or click the "Camera" icon to have the AI generate a cinematic visualization based on the chapter's notes.
- Locking: A "Lock" icon prevents the AI from overwriting a specific image if the user likes it.
- Advantage: Sets the mood before writing. Having a concrete visual reference helps ground descriptions in reality.

Field: Summary & Outline

- Function: Summary: A 1-2 sentence hook. Outline: A detailed, bulleted beat sheet of exactly what happens in the scene.
- Advantage: Keeps the drafting process focused. The author writes to a roadmap rather than staring at a blank page.

Field: Story Analysis

- Function: An AI-generated field that analyzes why this chapter exists. It covers "Conflict," "Stakes," and "Character Motivation."
- Advantage: Prevents "filler" chapters. If the Analysis field says "Nothing changes in this scene," the author knows the chapter needs to be cut or reworked.

Feature: "Update from Manuscript" (The Reverse Sync)

- Function: This is the most powerful feature in Novelos. It reads the actual text you wrote in Manuscript Mode and overwrites the Outline, Summary, and Analysis fields in Assembly Mode to match reality.
- Example: You planned for the hero to win the fight in the Outline. While writing, you decided he loses. You click "Update from Manuscript." The Outline now reads: Hero loses the fight and flees.
- Advantage: Keeps the Story Bible accurate. In most software, the outline becomes obsolete the moment you start writing. In Novelos, the outline evolves with the draft.

Feature: "Generate from Notes" (The Forward Sync)

- Function: Takes rough, messy bullet points from the "Rough Notes" field and expands them into a structured Outline, Summary, and visualization.
- Example: Input Note: "They fight, it rains, he loses his sword." -> AI Output: Full 5-point beat sheet including the choreography of the fight and the emotional impact of losing the weapon.

- Advantage: Cures "Blank Page Syndrome." It turns a vague idea into a writable plan in seconds.

Intelligent Linking (Characters & Snippets)

This system connects the chapter to the rest of the database.

Character Link Panel

- Function: Accessed via the "Link" icon in the header. It opens a sidebar of all characters. Users drag and drop Character Avatars onto the Chapter Card.
- Behavior: Visual "Chips" of the characters appear on the chapter card. Crucially: This updates the Character's data as well. The AI knows Character A is in Chapter 3, and uses Chapter 3's events to update Character A's profile.
- Advantage: Tracks character arcs automatically. You can see at a glance who is in which scene, ensuring no character disappears for 20 chapters by accident.

Snippet Integration

- Function: If a "Snippet" (a stray idea or dialogue fragment saved in the Snippets Panel) is assigned to this chapter, it appears here.
- Behavior: Users can click "Revert" to send the snippet back to the pool if it doesn't fit, or keep it here as a reference while writing.
- Advantage: Ensures that good ideas captured on the fly (e.g., on mobile) actually make it into the book at the right moment.

Layout & Navigation

Drag-and-Drop Reordering

- Function: Chapters can be dragged between Acts.
- Advantage: Allows for high-level structural editing (e.g., "The inciting incident is happening too late, let me drag Chapter 5 into Act 1").

File System Synchronization

- Function: When chapters are reordered in the board (e.g., Chapter 4 becomes Chapter 3), Novelos automatically renames the underlying .rtf files on the user's hard drive (03_ChapterTitle.rtf).
- Advantage: Keeps the local file system perfectly organized without manual file management, ensuring the manuscript is always export-ready.

2. Novelos Assembly Mode: Character Management Guide

The Character interface in Assembly Mode is more than just a digital rolodex; it is a "Living Cast List." It allows authors to build complex, three-dimensional personas that evolve alongside the story. Unlike static character sheets, these profiles are interconnected with the manuscript, capable of reading your draft to update themselves.

The Character Board (Grid View)

The main view presents your cast as a grid of visual cards.

Drag-and-Drop Casting

- Function: Users can drag character cards to reorder them. This is typically used to group characters by importance (e.g., placing the Protagonist and Antagonist at the top) or by faction.

- Advantage: Provides a visual hierarchy of the cast. Seeing the cards side-by-side helps the author assess the visual diversity and distinctiveness of the ensemble.

Multi-Selection

- Function: Users can hold Ctrl (or Cmd) to select multiple characters at once.
- Advantage: Essential for bulk operations, such as dragging a specific group of characters (e.g., "The heist crew") into a Chapter in the Chapter Board to link them all simultaneously.

Character Thumbnails (Card View)

When collapsed, the character card acts as a "Quick Reference" tile during outlining.

The "Glance" Face

- Function: Displays the Character Name, a large Headshot, and a truncated Summary or Tagline. It also lists top Keywords (e.g., "Grumpy," "Mage," "Traitor").
- Advantage: Instant visual recognition. Instead of reading a list of names, the author scans faces, which triggers faster emotional recall of who the character is.

The Primary Star (Protagonist Marker)

- Function: A gold star icon located on the card. Toggled via the expanded view.
- Advantage: Visually distinguishes Main Characters from the supporting cast. In a large epic with 50+ characters, this ensures the key players always stand out visually.

Visual Accent Styles

- Function: Using the "Brush" icon (or global settings), cards can be styled with color coded accents (e.g., a colored corner tab, a side strip, or a full border).
- Advantage: Allows for "Faction Coding." For example, all members of the "Red Guild" can be tagged with red accents, while the "Blue Kingdom" characters get blue accents, allowing the author to see faction balances at a glance.

Expanded Character Mode (The Profile Editor)

Clicking a card expands it into the full editor. This is the "Soul" of the character.

Dynamic Headshot & Image Locking

- Function: Generation: If no image exists, the AI reads the "Rough Notes" (e.g., "Scarred veteran, cybernetic eye, noir lighting") and generates a photorealistic portrait. Locking: A "Lock/Unlock" icon on the image. When locked, AI regeneration tasks will update the text but preserve the image. Upload: Users can upload their own art.
- Advantage: Visualization grounds the character. The locking mechanism protects curated art (or specific AI generations the user loves) from being accidentally overwritten during text updates.

Field: Summary & Tagline

- Function: Tagline: A short, punchy hook (e.g., "The man who never misses."). Summary: A 1-2 sentence elevator pitch of the character.
- Advantage: Keeps the character's core identity clear. When writing a scene, glancing at the tagline reminds the author of the character's central vibe or motivation.

Field: Detailed Profile (Markdown)

- Function: A long-form text area that supports Markdown formatting (headers, bold, lists). It typically contains Backstory, Personality, Appearance, and Motivation.
- Advantage: The central repository for deep lore. Because it supports rich text, it remains readable even when containing complex information.

Field: Relationships (Dynamic Linking)

- Function: A list of connections to other characters (e.g., "Rival of Character B," "Secretly loves Character C").
- Behavior: Reciprocal Linking: If you add a relationship note to Character A saying "Hates Character B," the system is smart enough to update Character B's profile with a corresponding note (e.g., "Hated by Character A"). Visual Chips: Relationships appear with small avatars of the connected characters.
- Advantage: Tracks the complex web of interpersonal dynamics automatically. It prevents continuity errors where Character A acts like an enemy to B in Chapter 1 but a friend in Chapter 5 without explanation.

AI Intelligence Features

"Generate Profile" (From Notes)

- Function: The user types messy, bulleted ideas into "Rough Notes" and clicks Generate.
- Behavior: The AI synthesizes the notes into a structured Profile, writes a Summary/Tagline, extracts Keywords, and generates a Portrait.
- Example: Input: "Angry, lost his dog, ex-cop." -> Output: A full noir detective profile, a tagline "Justice has a cold nose," and a gritty image.
- Advantage: Instant character creation. It turns a vague concept into a writable persona in seconds.

"Update from Manuscript" (The Evolution Engine)

- Function: The AI reads every chapter where this character appears in the actual manuscript text.
- Behavior: It updates the Profile to reflect what actually happened in the story.
- Example: In the outline, the character was cowardly. In Chapter 4, you wrote a scene where they saved a child. Clicking "Update from Manuscript" rewrites the profile to include: "Initially timid, but discovered hidden bravery during the Fire Incident."
- Advantage: Keeps the Story Bible accurate to the draft. Characters often "take on a life of their own" during writing; this feature ensures their documentation keeps up with their evolution.

Integration & Linking

Chapter Linking (The Casting Call)

- Function: Characters can be dragged from the Character Panel onto Chapter Cards in the Chapter Board.
- Behavior: This associates the character with that scene.

- Advantage: 1. Tracking: Allows the author to see "Who is in this scene?" at a glance on the Chapter Board. 2. AI Context: When the AI analyzes a chapter (e.g., for pacing or plot holes), it knows exactly which characters are present and can check for voice consistency or out-of-character actions.

Snippet Integration

- Function: If a snippet of dialogue in the Snippet Repository is tagged with this character, it links back to them.
- Advantage: Ensures that cool lines of dialogue or character-specific observations captured on the fly are associated with the right actor, ready to be dropped into the manuscript.

3. Novelos Assembly Mode: Snippet Repository Guide

The Snippet Repository is the "Catch-All" safety net for your novel. It is designed to solve a specific problem: authors often have brilliant flashes of inspiration—a line of dialogue, a description of a setting, or a philosophical theme—that do not yet have a specific home in the manuscript. In other software, these ideas are lost in random sticky notes or phone memos. In Novelos, they are ingested, organized by AI, and intelligently routed to the perfect chapter.

The Ingestion Engine (The Dump Box)

The entry point of this panel is a large, open text area designed for low-friction capture.

Bulk "Braindump" Processing

- Function: Users can paste massive blocks of raw, disorganized text (e.g., an entire exported note from a phone, or a chaotic stream-of-consciousness writing sprint). The only requirement is separating distinct ideas with a blank line.
- AI Behavior: When "Process with AI" is clicked, the system reads the raw text, splits it into individual entries, cleans up basic formatting errors, and moves them into a structured grid .
- Advantage: Eliminates the fear of losing fleeting ideas. The author can capture now and organize later, knowing the AI will handle the sorting.

Dynamic Categorization (Taxonomy)

- Function: The AI automatically classifies every processed snippet into one of seven types: Dialogue, Narrative Description, Internal Monologue, Theme Statement, General Action, World-Building Note, Uncategorized.
- Advantage: Turns chaos into order. When the author needs to flesh out a scene, they can filter by "Description" to find pre-written sensory details, rather than searching through a 50-page "Notes.docx" file.

Intelligent Character Tagging

This feature bridges the gap between your notes and your Cast List.

Automatic Actor Assignment

- Behavior: The AI cross-references the text of the snippet against your existing Character Database.
- Dialogue Tags: If the snippet reads, "I won't do it," John said, and you have a character named John, the AI automatically tags the snippet with John's profile.

- Contextual Mention: If a snippet describes The scar on Sarah's face, it tags Sarah.
- Example: You paste 20 lines of out-of-context dialogue. The AI reads the names within the lines and assigns the speakers to each card automatically.
- Advantage: Creates a "Dialogue Bank" for each character. You can filter the repository to see every stray line of dialogue John has ever said that hasn't been used yet.

Manual Tagging & Dropdown

- Function: Users can manually add characters via a "Plus" icon which opens a dropdown of the cast with visual avatars.
- Advantage: Essential for ambiguous snippets (e.g., "He pulled the trigger") where the AI cannot be 100% sure who "He" is.

The "Placement Suggestion" Engine

This is the most advanced feature of the Snippet node. It solves the question: "Where does this idea go?"

Contextual Matching

- Function: The user clicks "Suggest Placement" on a specific snippet card.
- AI Behavior: The AI reads the snippet content and compares it against the Summary, Outline, and Analysis of every single Chapter in your book, whether written or Chapter tiles.
- Output: It returns 3 recommendations, ranked by Confidence (High/Medium/Low), along with a justification.
- Example: Snippet: "Confidence isn't learnt," said Dominic, "it's earnt." AI Suggestion: "Chapter 4 (High Confidence) - This chapter involves the heist sequence and mentions Dominic telling Rufus to pull himself together."
- Advantage: Helps the author weave stray ideas into the narrative structure seamlessly, ensuring foreshadowing and plot points are placed where they have the most effect.

"Send to Chapter" (The Commitment)

- Function: Clicking "Send" on a suggestion immediately links that snippet to the specific Chapter.
- Visual Feedback: The snippet is marked as IsUsed (faded out or hidden via toggle) in the repository so the author doesn't use it twice.
- Integration: The snippet appears in the Expanded Chapter View under "Linked Snippets," waiting for the author when they are ready to draft that specific scene.

Lifecycle Management (Dynamic Workflow)

The repository is designed to be living, not static.

Hiding Used Snippets

- Function: A global toggle allows the user to hide snippets that have already been linked to chapters.

- Advantage: Provides a visual "Burn Down" chart of ideas. As the novel progresses, the repository empties out, giving the author a sense of completion.

Reneging (The "Revert" Flow)

- Scenario: You thought a line of dialogue belonged in Chapter 3, but when you wrote Chapter 3, it didn't fit.
- Function: In the Chapter View, the author clicks the "Revert" icon on a linked snippet.
- Behavior: The link is broken, and the snippet is instantly returned to the Snippet Repository, marked as Unused again.
- Advantage: Non-destructive editing. Ideas are never deleted just because they didn't fit their first assigned location; they simply go back into the pool to be used elsewhere.

Live Editing

- Function: Snippets are fully editable text areas.
- Advantage: As the story evolves, a snippet written months ago might need tweaking. The author can polish the prose within the repository before sending it to a chapter.

4. Novelos Assembly Mode: Social Media & Marketing Mode

The Social Media Mode is the "Concurrent Marketing Engine" of Novelos. It solves a critical problem for modern authors: the need to constantly produce promotional content while trying to finish the book. Instead of switching contexts to "marketer mode," this mode allows the AI to perform the heavy lifting of asset creation using the manuscript itself as the source material. It ensures that promotion happens alongside writing, not instead of it.

Excerpt Ingestion (The Content Pipeline)

The system needs a "Hook" to generate content. There are two ways to feed the engine:

Method A: The "Send from Manuscript" Flow

- Function: While writing in Manuscript Mode, if the author writes a particularly poignant line or scene description in their Chapter Notes (or highlights text to create an excerpt), they can click the "Paper Airplane" icon.
- Behavior: This instantly routes that specific text block to the Social Media Node in Assembly Mode. It carries metadata with it: which Chapter it came from and which Characters are present.
- Advantage: Captures marketing moments in the flow of creativity. The author doesn't have to "go back and find that cool line" later; they bank it immediately without leaving the writing interface.

Method B: AI "Hook Hunter"

- Function: In the Social Panel, the user selects a chapter from a dropdown and clicks "Generate AI Excerpts."
- AI Behavior: The AI reads the entire chapter and identifies 3-5 high-engagement passages suitable for social media. It looks for cliffhangers, emotional beats, or witty dialogue.
- Advantage: Perfect for when the author feels "too close" to the work to judge what is catchy. The AI acts as an objective publicist finding the most shareable moments.

The Visual Engine (Generative Art)

Once an excerpt is selected, the AI generates a visual asset to accompany the text.

Context-Aware Image Generation

- Function: The AI analyzes the text of the excerpt to write a detailed Stable Diffusion/Imagen prompt describing the scene, lighting, and mood. It then generates a high-definition image.
- Advantage: Provides instant "Cover Art" quality visuals for every scene, stopping the scroll on social feeds without requiring the author to hire an illustrator for daily posts.

Character Injection vs. Mood Mode

- Function: The engine offers two distinct regeneration modes:
 - "With Character": The AI looks up the Character Profiles (from the Character Node) of the actors in the scene. It injects their physical descriptions (and even their generated headshot data) into the image prompt to ensure the figure in the image actually looks like the character in the book.
 - "Mood Only": This forces the AI to exclude people and focus on atmospheric scenery (e.g., a smoking gun on a table, a storm over a castle).
- Advantage: Gives the author control over the visual narrative. "Mood Only" is often better for teasers where you don't want to reveal a character's look, while "With Character" creates deep connection.

The Copywriting Engine (Voice-Aware Captions)

This is the core intelligence of the node. It doesn't just summarize the text; it sells it.

Author Voice Analysis

- Behavior: Before writing a caption, the AI reads a significant portion of the actual manuscript surrounding the excerpt. It analyzes the prose style (e.g., dark, whimsical, terse, flowery).
- Output: The resulting social media captions mimic this tone. If the book is a dark noir, the Instagram caption will be gritty and mysterious. If it's a rom-com, the caption will be warm and inviting.
- Advantage: Brand consistency. The marketing copy feels like an extension of the book, not a generic "Buy my book!" ad.

Platform-Specific Optimization

- Instagram Generator: Behavior: Creates a concise, aesthetic caption using line breaks and emojis relevant to the scene. Hashtag Research: Automatically generates 20-25 high-relevance hashtags based on the specific content of the scene (e.g., #FantasyRomance, #EnemiesToLovers, #DarkAcademia) mixed with trending book community tags (#Bookstagram).
- TikTok Generator: Behavior: Writes a "Script" or "Hook" text overlay idea for a video (e.g., "POV: You fell in love with the villain..."). It focuses on trends and short attention spans. Hashtag Research: Generates 5-10 broader, high-traffic tags suitable for the TikTok algorithm (#BookTok, #FYP).

Iteration & Repurposing (The Variation Engine)

Marketing requires volume. This feature prevents content fatigue.

"Repurpose" & Variations

- Function: Clicking "Repurpose" opens a modal where the AI generates 3 distinct tonal variations of the same post (e.g., one Funny, one Dramatic, one Mysterious).
- Advantage: Allows the author to A/B test different angles for the same scene. One excerpt can fuel a week's worth of content without looking repetitive.

Export Workflow

- Function: Image: One-click export to download the generated visual as a PNG. Text: "Copy to Clipboard" buttons for captions, formatted correctly for the specific platform.
- Advantage: Reduces the friction between "Having an idea" and "Posting." The author can generate, review, and post in under 2 minutes, then get straight back to writing.

5. Novelos Assembly Mode: World Building Guide

The World Node in Novelos is designed to solve the chaos of world-building. Most authors keep their lore scattered across sticky notes, separate documents, and mental notes. Novelos unifies this into a single "Living Codex." It utilizes a unique workflow—Ingest, Distill, Refine, and Map—to turn stream-of-consciousness ideas into a structured encyclopedia that stabilizes your story world.

The Alchemist's Crucible (The Ingestion Engine)

The entry point for all new world data is "The Crucible." This is designed to lower the friction of capturing ideas.

Bulk Note Processing

- Function: A large, open text area. The user dumps raw, chaotic, unformatted notes here.
- Example Input: "The magic system relies on salt. The King lives in the Glass Spire. The currency is called 'Shards' and they glow when dropped."
- AI "Distill" Action: When the user clicks "Distill Notes," the AI analyzes the text block. It identifies distinct entities and automatically sorts them into categories (Location, Lore, Object, Organization, Concept).
- Advantage: Allows the author to stay in a creative "brainstorming" mode without worrying about organization. You don't have to manually create a folder for "Magic" and a file for "Currency"; you just type, and the AI handles the filing.

The World Repository (The Codex)

Once distilled, items move to the Repository view, organized by category.

Categorized Card View

- Function: Displays items in columns: Locations, Lore, Objects, Organizations, Concepts.
- Advantage: Provides an at-a-glance taxonomy of the world. It helps the author spot gaps (e.g., "I have 20 characters but only 1 location—I need to build the setting").

The "Refine" Engine

- Function: Inside every card, there is a "Rough Notes" field (the raw idea) and a "Codex Entry" field (the polished description).

- Behavior: Clicking "Refine" prompts the AI to read the rough notes, infer missing details based on context, and rewrite them into a professional, encyclopedia-style entry using Markdown formatting.
- Example: Rough Note: "Big sword, creates fire, used by the ancient guys." Refined Codex Entry: "The Sun-Eater: A two-handed greatsword forged by the Precursor Dynasty. The blade is etched with pyromancy runes that ignite upon impact, cauterizing wounds instantly."
- Advantage: Turns vague ideas into concrete lore. It creates a "Source of Truth" that ensures consistency throughout the novel.

Summary Generation

- Function: The AI also generates a 1-sentence "Summary" for the card header.
- Advantage: Allows for rapid scanning of the repository without opening every card.

The Map Builder (Spatial Visualization)

A fully interactive, infinite-canvas map editor integrated directly into the suite.

Interactive Pinning

- Function: Users can double-click anywhere on the canvas to drop a Location Pin. Pins have titles and descriptions.
- Behavior: The map supports Pan (drag) and Zoom (scroll wheel), allowing for both continent-level overviews and city-level detail.
- Advantage: Visualizing the geography is crucial for plotting travel times and ensuring the logic of character movements.

AI "Suggest Locations"

- Function: This feature actively reads your Manuscript Summaries and Chapter Outlines.
- Behavior: It identifies locations mentioned in your story that do not yet exist on the map. It creates pins for them and suggests coordinates based on context (e.g., "The Swamp is described as 'south of the capital,' so I will place the pin below the capital").
- Advantage: Keeps the map synchronized with the draft. If you write a scene in a "Hidden Cave," the AI reminds you to place that cave on the map, preventing geographical continuity errors.

Integration with Writing (Stabilizing the World)

The World Node isn't just a static wiki; it's a tool for stabilization.

Preventing "Lore Drift"

- Scenario: In Chapter 3, you say the magic creates blue light. In Chapter 20, you say it creates red light.
- Solution: By maintaining the "Magic System" card in the Repository, you have a single reference point. The AI "Refine" tool helps solidify the rules early, making them easier to stick to.

The "Retcon" Workflow

- Scenario: While writing Chapter 15, you invent a new political faction on the fly.

- Workflow: Instead of breaking flow to organize it, you switch to the World tab, dump the idea into the Crucible, and hit Distill later.
- Benefit: Ensures that spontaneous inventions made during the drafting phase are captured and integrated into the official world bible, rather than being lost in the manuscript text.

6. Novelos Assembly Mode: Plot Brainstorming Guide

The Plot Brainstorming Node is the "Developmental Editor" of the Novelos suite. While the Chapter Board handles the logistics of ordering scenes, the Brainstorming Node handles the logic and emotion of the story. It utilizes the AI to perform deep structural analysis, providing high-level insights that usually require hiring a professional human editor.

Pacing & Structure Analysis (The Narrative EKG)

This feature visualizes the invisible rhythm of your novel using narrative theory.

The Plot Timeline Visualization

- Function: The AI reads all current chapter summaries and maps them against standard narrative structures (like the Hero's Journey or Save the Cat).
- Visual Appearance: A horizontal timeline representing the length of the book.
- Diamond Markers: Represent major structural beats (Inciting Incident, Climax, Resolution).
- Circle Markers: Represent supporting beats (Rising Action, Subplots).
- Color Coding: Each beat type is distinct (e.g., Red for Climax, Gold for Inciting Incident).
- Interaction: Hovering over a marker reveals the specific event and why the AI classified it as such.
- Advantage: Instantly diagnoses structural flaws. If your "Climax" marker appears at Chapter 10 of a 50-chapter book, you immediately know your pacing is broken. It prevents "Saggy Middle Syndrome."

Narrative Summary

- Function: A generated text analysis that critiques the flow. It might say, "The tension drops significantly between Chapter 15 and 20, risking reader disengagement."
- Advantage: Provides actionable, objective feedback on pacing issues that the author is often too close to see.

The Relationship Dynamics Mapper (The Emotional Arc)

This is the most advanced analytical tool in Assembly Mode. It quantifies emotional distance between characters over time.

The Sentiment Graph

- Function: The user selects two characters (e.g., "Protagonist" and "Love Interest") from dropdowns. The AI analyzes their interactions across every chapter summary in the book.

- Behavior: It plots a line graph on a generic X/Y axis: X-Axis: Timeline (Chapter 1 to End). Y-Axis: Sentiment (-1 is Hostile/Enemy, 0 is Neutral/Stranger, +1 is Allied/Lover).
- Example: For an "Enemies to Lovers" romance, the graph should start deep in the red (Hostile), slowly zigzag up to neutral, dip back down during the "Third Act Breakup," and finish high in the green (Allied).
- Advantage: Visualizes emotional continuity. If the graph creates a flat line or jumps erratically from Hate to Love without a transition curve, the author knows the relationship feels unearned or rushed.

Opportunity & Plot Hole Detector

This text-based analysis acts as a "logic check" for the manuscript.

"Missed Opportunities" Analysis

- Function: The AI scans the outline for setup without payoff.
- Example: "In Chapter 3, you introduced a magical amulet, but it is never mentioned again. Consider bringing this back in the Climax to resolve the conflict."
- Advantage: Tightens the narrative weave. It helps the author maximize the value of existing plot elements rather than constantly inventing new ones.

Logical Inconsistency Check

- Function: Identifies contradictions in the timeline or character logic.
- Example: "Character A is in the Capital in Chapter 5, but appears in the Borderlands in Chapter 6 without travel time."
- Advantage: Saves the author from embarrassing continuity errors before they reach the drafting phase.

Lateral Integration: How AI Connects the Modes

The power of the Brainstorming Node lies in its Lateral Integration. It does not exist in a vacuum; it pulls data from the entire Assembly ecosystem to generate its insights.

Integration with Chapter Board

- Input: The Brainstorming AI reads the Summaries and Outlines maintained in the Chapter Board.
- Feedback Loop: If you change a chapter's summary in the Chapter Board (e.g., "The hero loses the fight instead of winning"), you can return to the Plot Node and click "Regenerate." The Pacing Timeline and Sentiment Graph immediately update to reflect the new tragic beat.

Integration with Character Board

- Input: The AI reads the Character Profiles (Motivation, Fears, Background) from the Character Board.
- Application: When analyzing "Character Arcs," it compares the events of the plot against the character's stated profile.

- Example: If a character defined as "A pacifist doctor" (Profile) suddenly starts killing people in Chapter 10 (Chapter Summary) without a catalyst, the Plot Brainstormer will flag this as "Out of Character behavior."

Integration with Manuscript Mode

- The Data Pipeline: 1. Author writes text in Manuscript Mode. 2. Author clicks "Update from Manuscript" on a chapter card in Assembly Mode. 3. The Chapter Summary is auto-updated to match the written text. 4. The Brainstorming Node re-analyzes this new summary.
- Benefit: This creates a "Living Feedback Loop." As you write the book, the high-level analysis evolves. You can check the Sentiment Graph after every writing session to see if you are hitting your emotional targets.

7. Novelos Assembly Mode: Synopsis & Marketing Guide

The Synopsis Node is the "Commercial Translator" of the Novelos suite. While the rest of the application focuses on the art of storytelling, this node focuses on the business of publishing. It solves the most common pain point for authors: the inability to summarize their own work. By analyzing the structural data from your Chapter Board, the AI generates the professional assets needed to query agents, upload to retailers (Amazon/KDP), and position the book in the market.

Market Analysis (The Positioning Engine)

This section acts as a digital literary agent, helping you understand where your book sits on the shelf.

BISAC Codes & Keywords

- Function: The AI analyzes your story's themes and content to generate industry standard BISAC (Book Industry Standards and Communications) codes and high traffic search keywords.
- Example: BISAC: FIC009000 (FICTION / Fantasy / Dark Fantasy). Keywords: "enemies to lovers," "elemental magic," "political intrigue," "slow burn."
- Advantage: Essential for self-publishers setting up KDP metadata or traditional authors filling out agent submission forms. It removes the guesswork of categorization.

Comparable Titles ("Comps")

- Function: The AI identifies 3 existing successful books (or movies) that resemble your story in tone, genre, or premise.
- Example: "This manuscript appeals to fans of the political maneuvering in A Game of Thrones mixed with the magic system of Mistborn."
- Advantage: "Comps" are a mandatory requirement in query letters. They tell agents you understand the current market and who your audience is.

Trope Identification

- Function: Lists the primary narrative tropes present in your story (e.g., "The Chosen One," "Found Family," "Whodunit").
- Advantage: Helps in marketing to specific niches (especially in Romance and Fantasy) where readers actively search for specific tropes.

Promotional Content (The Hype Machine)

This section generates the "Back Cover Copy" and advertising hooks designed to sell the book to readers.

The Logline (The Elevator Pitch)

- Function: Compresses your entire 100,000-word novel into a single, punchy sentence that conveys the protagonist, the conflict, and the stakes.
- Example: "A retired assassin must dust off her blades to save the kingdom that betrayed her, or watch her daughter become the next target."
- Advantage: This is the single most important sentence for an author. It is used in pitch sessions, Twitter pitch events, and the very top of a query letter.

Taglines

- Function: Generates 3 short, dramatic hooks suitable for the front cover of the book or social media graphics.
- Example: "Heritage is a lie. Blood is the truth."
- Advantage: Provides instant marketing copy for the Social Media Node or cover design.

The "Vibe Check" (Song Lyric & Ideal Reader)

- Function: Song Lyric: The AI suggests a lyric or a style of music that matches the emotional "vibe" of the book. Ideal Reader Profile: Describes exactly who will love this book (e.g., "Readers who love complex anti-heroes and don't mind a tragic ending").
- Advantage: Helps the author visualize their target audience and maintain a consistent "mood" in their marketing efforts.

Synopsis Generation (The Query Tools)

Writing a synopsis is notoriously difficult because it requires stripping away all the beautiful prose to reveal the mechanical plot. Novelos automates this painful process.

The Short Synopsis (The Blurb)

- Function: A ~300-word summary. It sets up the hook, the characters, and the central conflict, but does not reveal the ending.
- Use Case: This is your "Back Cover Blurb" or the body of your query letter. It is designed to intrigue, not inform.

The Long Synopsis (The Spoiler Document)

- Function: A ~1000-word detailed summary. It covers every major plot beat from the Inciting Incident to the Climax and Resolution, including spoilers.
- Use Case: Agents and Publishers require this document to ensure the story has a logical conclusion and structural integrity before they read the manuscript.
- Advantage: Saves the author days of agony trying to compress their story. It ensures no major plot thread is left hanging in the summary.

Lateral Integration: How It Works

The Synopsis Node is the output of your entire Assembly workflow.

Integration with Chapter Board

The Synopsis AI does not read the entire 100k word manuscript text (which would be slow and expensive). Instead, it reads the Chapter Summaries and Story Analysis fields you have curated in the Chapter Board. This ensures the synopsis focuses on the structure and events of the book, rather than getting bogged down in dialogue or description.

1. Write/Update chapters in Manuscript Mode.
2. Click "Update from Manuscript" in the Chapter Board to generate accurate summaries.
3. Go to Synopsis Mode and click "Generate" to turn those summaries into a cohesive pitch document.

Integration with Plot Brainstorming

- **Consistency:** The themes identified in the Plot Brainstorming node (e.g., "Redemption," "Greed") inform the keywords and market analysis in the Synopsis node, ensuring your internal development matches your external marketing.

Feature Deep Dive: Importing & Syncing Workflows

1. Import Manuscript to Assembly (Kickstarting a Project)

This feature is designed for authors bringing an existing draft (written in Word, Notepad, or another tool) into the Novelos ecosystem for the first time. Instead of pasting chapter by chapter, Novelos uses AI to ingest the whole book and build your project structure automatically.

- **Location:** Assembly View > Top Header > **Import** button.
- **The Process:**
 1. **Upload:** Select a .txt or .md file containing your full manuscript.
 2. **Chapter Detection:** Novelos uses pattern recognition (Regex) to automatically split your text into chapters based on headings like "Chapter 1," "Prologue," etc. You can review the split before proceeding.
 3. **AI Analysis:** The AI reads every detected chapter. It generates a summary, an outline, keywords, and an analysis of the conflict/pacing for the **Chapter Board**.
 4. **Story Bible Generation:** Simultaneously, the AI identifies recurring characters and world-building elements (locations, lore) mentioned in the text and populates your **Characters** and **World** panels automatically.

2. Adding Chapters in Noveli (The Portable Writer)

When using **Noveli** (the single-file, portable version of the app), you may need to expand your book structure while away from your main desktop.

- **How to Add:** In the Noveli toolbar (bottom of the screen), click the small **+** (**Plus**) icon next to the Chapter Selector dropdown.
- **Behavior:** This instantly creates a new, blank chapter at the end of your chapter list (e.g., "Chapter 12"). You can immediately begin drafting content in this new space.

- **Important:** These new chapters exist only in your current browser session until you **Save/Export**.

3. Syncing: Importing Novelis back to Novelos

This is the bridge that allows you to write anywhere (Noveli) and organize at home (Novelos).

- **Step 1 (In Novelis):** When finished writing, click **Export/Save**. This generates a timestamped .zip file (e.g., Novelis_Project_Date.zip). This file contains your manuscript text, the new chapters you added, and your settings.
- **Step 2 (In Novelos Desktop):** Open your project in **Manuscript View**.
- **Step 3 (The Import):** Click the **Import from Novelis** button (or use the File menu). Select the .zip file you just exported.
- **The Merge Logic:**
 - **Content Updates:** Novelos detects chapters that already exist (by ID) and updates their content with the new words you wrote in Novelis.
 - **New Structure:** Novelos detects the **new chapters** you added via the "+" button in Novelis. It appends these to your Chapter Board in the correct order.
 - **Seamless Transition:** You can now switch to **Assembly View** and use "Update from Manuscript" on these new chapters to generate their summaries and outlines, fully integrating them into your project structure.

1. The "Voice-First" Philosophy

Most AI writing tools attempt to *replace* the author, generating generic prose that feels alien to your style. Novelos takes a radically different approach: it is designed to **analyze** rather than generate.

- **Voice Fingerprinting:** By reading your manuscript, the underlying AI model learns your specific syntax, tone, rhythm, and vocabulary.
- **Authentic Assistance:** Whether it's the *Social Media Studio* generating a caption or the *Beta Reader* suggesting a fix, the output is crafted in *your* persona. This resolves the primary friction writers have with AI—keeping the soul of the story intact.

2. The Novelis vs. Novelos Architecture

We have separated the writing process into two distinct engines to solve the problem of "Vendor Lock-in" and data portability.

- **Novelis (The Satellite):** A portable, single-file HTML application. It requires no installation and runs in any browser. This ensures you own your data completely and can write on any device, anywhere, without reliance on a cloud server.
- **Novelos (The Mothership):** The full desktop "Operating System" that handles heavy structural lifting, plotting, and marketing.
- **Bi-Directional Sync:** This is the bridge between creativity and structure. You can "Forward Generate" outlines from rough notes, but crucially, you can "Reverse Update" from the manuscript. This ensures your outline always reflects what you actually wrote, not just what you planned to write.

3. "Project Management" for Novels

Writing a book is more than just typing words; it is a complex management task.

The **Assembly** view moves beyond a standard text editor into a cohesive production environment.

- **The Pacing Heatmap:** Visualizes narrative tension instantly, allowing you to spot sagging middles before you commit to them.
- **The Crucible:** A unique workflow for world-building that turns messy brainstorms into structured encyclopedias.
- **Social Media Studio:** Transforms your manuscript into a marketing asset library instantly, bridging the gap between "Author" and "Publicist."

4. An Operating System for Creativity

Every pixel of the interface—from the frameless window to the "Infinite Spread" layout—is designed to reduce cognitive load. The dedicated **Audio Engine** (simulating mechanical keystrokes and bell rings with overtone simulation) provides immediate tactile feedback, triggering a Pavlovian response that helps you enter and sustain a "Flow State" faster than silent editors.

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