

SMART

GOALS FOR WRITERS



WHEN SETTING GOALS, MAKE SURE IT FOLLOWS THE SMART STRUCTURE. USE THE EXAMPLES BELOW TO CREATE YOUR GOALS.

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SPECIFIC

IDENTIFY A SPECIFIC, CLEAR, AND WELL-DEFINED GOAL THAT YOU WANT TO ACHIEVE.

EX: PUBLISH A NOVEL WITHIN THE NEXT YEAR.

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MEASURABLE

DETERMINE HOW THE GOAL WILL BE MEASURED AND TRACKED, SUCH AS BY THE NUMBER OF WORDS WRITTEN OR BOOKS PUBLISHED.

EX: WRITE A MINIMUM OF 1,000 WORDS PER DAY, AND TRACK PROGRESS.

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ACHIEVABLE

MAKE SURE THE GOAL IS REALISTIC AND ATTAINABLE, GIVEN YOUR CURRENT SKILLS AND RESOURCES.

EX: RESEARCH AND PLAN THE NOVEL, AND SEEK FEEDBACK AND SUPPORT.

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RELEVANT

ENSURE THAT THE GOAL IS RELEVANT AND ALIGNS WITH YOUR OVERALL VISION AND GOALS FOR YOUR WRITING CAREER.

EX: THIS NOVEL ALIGNS WITH THE AUTHOR'S OVERALL GOAL OF BECOMING A PUBLISHED AUTHOR.

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TIME BOUND

SET A SPECIFIC TIME FRAME FOR ACHIEVING THE GOAL, SUCH AS A SPECIFIC DATE OR DEADLINE.

EX: THE NOVEL WILL BE COMPLETED AND SUBMITTED TO PUBLISHERS BY DECEMBER 31ST OF THE CURRENT YEAR.