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Creative Writing

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Learn to:

- Choose the writing genre that's best for you
- Develop believable characters and engaging stories
- Cherry-pick your life's material for non-fiction writing
- Find a publisher and make your way as a professional writer

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Do you have an idea that you're burning to get down on paper? Do you want to document your travels to far-flung places, or write a few stanzas of poetry? Whether you dream of being a novelist, a travel writer, a poet, a playwright or a columnist, *Creative Writing For Dummies* shows you how to unlock your creativity and choose the genre of writing that suits you best. Walking you through characterisation, setting, dialogue and plot, as well as giving expert insights into both fiction and non-fiction, it's the ideal launching pad to the world of creative writing.

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- Chapter 2: Getting into the Write Mind
- Chapter 3: Finding the Material to work with

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- Chapter 20: Exploring the world from your armchair - Travel writing
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