

USEFUL STUFF

Links:

Tina Radcliffe's **Writer's Inside Edition** is an excellent newsletter listing contests, conferences, workshops, publishing news, and more.

<https://www.tinaradcliffe.com/inside-edition>

Conscious Style Guide is a website designed to help writers think critically about using language to empower instead of limit, because words matter.

<https://consciousstyleguide.com/>

Scrivener, the software for writers can seem daunting. Rachel McWrites shares how it will help to write and edit your book.

<https://rachelmcwrites.com/how-scrivener-will-help-you-write-and-edit-your-novel>

Don't let dialog tags bring down your book. There are more than 300 words to use instead of **SAID**.

<http://www.spwickstrom.com/said/>

Confused about the difference between **active and passive voice**? This Grammarly article explains it succinctly.

<https://www.grammarly.com/blog/active-vs-passive-voice/>

Podcasts:

The Editing Podcast by Louise Harnby and Denise Cowle—for writers and editors alike, is educational and entertaining at the same time.

Smart Bitches, Trashy Books—these savvy women review books, interview authors, and discuss all things in the world of romance.

Big Gay Fiction Podcast by Jeff Adams and Will Knauss—each week avid readers and passionate fans of gay romance fiction are introduced to authors and hear book recommendations .

Books:

Romancing the Beat by Gwen Hayes provides story structure for romance novels.

Save the Cat by Blake Snyder. I have the one that is a guide for screenwriting, but he has one for novel writing as well.

The Emotion Thesaurus by Angela Ackerman & Becca Puglisi is part of their thesauri series for writers. This one is a guide to showing character expression.