# CAFE NOIR BOOKSHOP DECEMBER WRITING WORKSHOP



## ATTENDEE HANDOUT

This guide is designed to help you develop your writing goals, refine your story ideas, and create a structure that brings your vision to life.

## **DEFINE YOUR WRITING GOALS WITH MAPS**

- MAPS (Meaningful, Adaptable, Personalized, Supportive) Goals:
  - Meaningful:
  - Adaptable:
  - Personalized:
  - Supportive:

## **DEVELOP YOUR STORY CONCEPT**

- Create a one-sentence concept that captures the essence of your story.
  - What is your story about?
  - Example: "A miraculous birth brings hope to the world."
- My Story Concept:

# **OUTLINE YOUR STORY STRUCTURE**

- Use the simple Beginning-Middle-End framework to map out your story:
- Beginning: Set up the story. Who are your main characters, and what's the situation?
  - Example: An angel tells Mary she will give birth to Jesus.
- · Middle: Develop the journey. What challenges or conflicts arise?
  - Example: Mary and Joseph travel to Bethlehem; Jesus is born in a manger.
- End: Resolve the story. What happens, and what's the impact?
  - Example: Shepherds and wise men visit, symbolizing the hope Jesus brings to the world.

### TRACK YOUR PROGRESS

- What did you accomplish today?
- · What would you like to accomplish next month?
- Short-term goals (weekly)
- Long-term goals (next 3 months)

Please share any specific topics or challenges you'd like to focus on in future workshops! We'd love to know how we can support your writing journey.

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