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Writing a Non-fiction Synopsis

Writing the synopsis can be challenging. If you are writing a personal memoir or simply a nonfiction, self-help book, you want your audience to understand why you are qualified to write your book. With the method listed below, you are setting the audience up for what's to come in a formal fashion that they'll appreciate.

The PODGED METHOD

P - Present the problem

O - Outline who would be of interest for the topic/message

D - Demonstrate why readers should care

**G - Give an indication of how you intend to present the case
(approach/content)**

E - Explain why you are qualified

D - Demonstrate why the book will appeal to the market

This method is used by many professional writers and will be essential in your development of a well written synopsis. Keep it between 350-450 words total

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Three Parts to Development

1. Characters - The protagonist & antagonist create the foundation of the story
2. Conflict - Conflict is the tension that keeps readers reading your book. Include a brief summary of the main conflict in your synopsis
3. Narrative Arc - This is the skeleton of your plot, condense the arc, but give it limited detail description in the synopsis.

Five tips for Writing your Synopsis

1. **Write in third person**
2. **Keep it short & write in present tense.** Limit it between 500-700 words
3. **State the category** (literary fiction, romance, sci-fi, YA, Children's literature, etc.)
4. **Reveal it all. Intrigue your reader.** Make them want to purchase your book.
5. **Convey your voice.** Your synopsis is a form of your writing style. Make sure the writing is in line with your tone/voice.

This method works. Many well-known writers use it to create marvelous books for their audience. It is your turn to do the same.

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Writing the Cover Copy

The Novelist

1. Write a short summary of what the book is about
2. 150 words or Five sentences in length
3. Include engaging plot points

Examples:

Another Woman's Child is a poignant novel about the convergence of love, divorce, and infertility. Takara James, author, and entrepreneur, suddenly finds herself a single, nearly thirty-year-old woman, afraid that her desire for a child of her own will never come. Wild and adventurous, Takara never thought she would be faced with something that stripped her away from the core of who she is and the confidence she has carried the majority of her life. Just as she thinks that life and love have forsaken her, and her dreams of becoming a mother, an unexpected blessing comes bearing the gifts that only God can bring. Now, in her present life, she comes face-to-face with an important decision. Will she stay true to a promise she made herself many years ago? Or will she take a chance on the gift that life and love bring her?

Nonfiction Authors

Another Woman's Child is a heart-felt, nonfiction memoir. The story is written and narrated by author Takara James, who gives a first-hand look into the nurturing archetypal characteristics she portrays in this novel. This story takes place in the city of Memphis, Tennessee, where Takara spent most of her childhood into her adult life. She begins with the question of whether or not the audience has desired something and stopped at nothing to achieve it. After which, she introduces her audience to the "objective" of her protagonist role and shows the transition of how she achieves, whether successfully or unsuccessfully, her desires. As a woman struggling with Polycystic Ovarian Syndrome, she battles internally and externally on her purpose. Moments in her life, she questioned God and whether the obstacles thrown at her, will halt her perseverance. Not leaving a single question unanswered, Takara shed's light on her passion for becoming a mother, the challenges she has faced during her journey, and how she's forced into loving *Another Woman's Child*.

In this book, you'll learn:

- What PCOS is and how it causes infertility
- How Takara learned to cope with infertility
- How to identify and end relationships
- How to get free from situations that own you