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Writing your first book will be one of the most rewarding and challenging experiences of your life. Writing seems a daunting task for most people until it is broken down in simple steps that become workable and achievable. In this article I will reveal three vital keys, each with simple steps, to get you going in starting your journey.

Key 1. Mindset

- > Develop a writer's mindset. Embrace a mentality that will inspire you to start, and finish writing your book.
- > Define main idea. Write what you know. Form a connection with your reader through emotion. The best way to create emotion with your reader is to understand them.
- > Create a mind map of the story. Brainstorm thoughts, ideas and concepts and create a story line..
- > Organize the chapters. Put your outline in order.
- > Break down the outline. Develop an outline of the story and then drill your topic down into sub-topics.



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“A WORD AFTER A WORD AFTER A
WORD IS POWER.”
- MARGARET ATWOOD

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THREE KEYS

- > **Mindset**
- > **Environment**
- > **Partnership**

Key 2. Environment

- > **Prepare the writing place.** Where is the most inspiring place for you to write? Will you write in your office, at home, in a cafe, or outdoors?
- > **Set the time of the day.** Take advantage of your most creative time of the day.
- > **Set the daily goal.** It can be words or hours.
- > **Decide on the software.** Research and go for one.
- > **Allocate editing energy and time.** This will take longer than writing the book. Prepare for this.

Key 3. Partnership

- > **Write, collaborate, read & write.** Get someone to hold you accountable and provide you with honest feedback. You can hire a writing coach, too.
- > **Connect with an editor early.** Find an editor and get them on board early. They will provide you with valuable guidance in writing better. Hire a professional book editor! Please!
- > **Create a compelling cover.** A book is judged by its cover. Yes, really. Hire a professional book cover designer.
- > **Publish the book.** Choose either to self-publish or get a publisher. Choose publishing formats that you can market (e-books, print, audio book, etc.)
- > **Market your book.** Do a book launch. Speak at events. Collaborate as guest podcast speaker.

My advise is to just start it. Announce it. Plan it and go for it. Do not negotiate it. Just do it.