

# Top Tips for Writing a Book in 30 Days

*This is an extra resource to go along with the original article:*

[Writing a Novel in a Month: Is It Possible and Should You Try?](#)

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## **Schedule a time to write.**

Maybe you can only carve out two hours on the weekdays and then write all day on the weekends. Be realistic with your time.

## **Outline your novel ahead of time.**

Writing from an outline is so much easier. You'll be able to depend on the structure of an outline to keep you on track so that you finish on time.

## **Give yourself a daily word allowance.**

How many words can you realistically write in one day? For most, that's around 2,000, but some can write up to 10,000 words in one day. Don't stress, but do press to write at least 2,000 words. Hey, you've got to get that novel done in 30 days!

## **Set an ultimate word count goal.**

Most novels are between 50,000 to 100,000 words. If you write 2,000 words every day, you'll have 60,000 by the end of the month. If you'd like to hit the industry standard of 80,000 words, go for around 2,700 words a day.

## **Don't edit as you go.**

Turn off that nagging internal editing that will only slow you down.

## **Take a break at the end of your writing.**

You're going to be stressed out from writing so much, so give yourself a much needed break. Don't pick up your novel for at least a week.

## **Go easy on yourself.**

When you read what you've written, a lot of it may not be salvageable. But hopefully, you have the beginnings of an amazing novel. Try not to be too critical, and look for the diamonds in the rough.