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# **Do You Have What it Takes to Write an Ebook?**

Would you like to try and write an ebook? If so, what is stopping you? If you have always thought it was too complicated, think again. You don't need to learn complicated programs or have excellent writing skills. What you need are desire, effort, and a belief in yourself.

Before you do anything, you need to have the software to compile an ebook. There are plenty of places on the Internet where you can find this for free. One of the easiest to use can be found at a website called Open Office. It works just like any word processor, and it comes with full instructions.

As with any large project, writing is much easier when broken down into small bits. If you have a plan to follow, any fear you may have about the actual writing process can be overcome. It is a mistake to try and begin a book without a definite goal to aim for.

The first thing you should do is answer the question of why you want to write an ebook in the first place. For example, is this just for your personal pleasure or are you planning on making money off of it? Regardless of your reasons, the standard advice for writers is to write about what you know.

Now try to come up with a couple different titles for your manuscript. Even if you don't actually use any of them for the completed book, they will help you concentrate on the subject you are writing about. Simply thinking them up and writing them down can give you a small feeling of accomplishment.

Now you can start on the main part of your work. This will go easier if you write as if you were composing a letter to an acquaintance, because it will feel less forced. You will almost certainly have to proofread everything later on, so don't try to get everything just right the first time around.

It is important to understand that you will almost always revise large parts of your book. That's what makes ebook writing so much easier than other formats. It's very simple to do such tasks as spell checking and rearranging paragraphs, for example.

After you've finished your book, it is time to think about its overall appearance. The fact is that most people don't print out an ebook to read offline. Instead, they usually view it from a computer screen, so you can make your book easier for them to read if you make the font larger than normal.

Don't be disheartened if you write an ebook and it doesn't sell particularly well. The important thing to remember is that you will have done something that a lot of people are afraid to try. Furthermore, it's just possible that your next book will make you a well known author. You'll never know if you don't try.

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