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# You Can Write Children's Books





## Synopsis

First-time children's writers will learn to follow the important writing and submission guidelines they need to get their books in print. Ways to target the right age group, today's hot trends and the basic conventions of style are all included.'

### **Book Information**

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Tracey Dils takes a complex subject and breaks it down into manageable bites. While she doesn't go into great depth, she covers the chlidren's book market in detail. Her exercises lead writers from the first inklings of ideas to finding a publisher. I'd recommend this as the first book for anyone aspiring to write for children.

This is an excellent book for beginners. It gives an accurate overview of the process of writing children books. The language is very conversational and not too academic which makes it easier to grasp her concepts. In the appendix she list some great resources that would be benefical to any writer--whether beginner or pro.

The author explains, step by step, all the ins and outs of writing childrens books. I,m especially happy with the list of organizations and groups for professional writers. This would have taken me months to ferret out. I have already started my first book thanks to Tracy.

I have read about 50 different books on writing, and I'd put this one in the top 3. Tracey Dills REALLY knows what she is talking about, and I would really like to thank her for writing this book.

I found this book very helpful in outlining the begining to end steps of writing, as well as submitting, stories for children. It is written in a layman's easy-to-absorb manner & lays everything out for the reader step by step. It is also very encouraging along the way!

Very well written book - also very upbeat - simple to understand the work up of plots, themes etc. A very encouraging book if you have a genuine interest in writing childrens. It made my writing much easier and clearer to write.

Tracy E. Dils has provided a wonderful handbook for anyone who has ever enjoyed telling children's stories. Using this book will help you put your stories into print and hopefully get them published.She doesn't promise that you will be published, but she sure works hard to get you there from the very start all the way through to breaking into print.Writing a children's book is not as easy as it sounds. Most people are surprised that it is more difficult than one would expect. Dils lays out the guidelines in such a way that you almost cannot fail.Using this guide with the companion workbook will certainly help you on your way to becoming a successful children's author. A friend and I used these two books with good success. Dils got us started and she can do the same for you.You Can Write Children's Books

Tracey Dils manages to answer most of the questions a beginning children's author asks. Aspiring authors who carefully follow her suggestions will save a lot of time and frustration.

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