

All Aboard!

How to Make Sure Your NaNo Project Doesn't Derail

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Who the heck are you, anyway?

Started doing NaNo in 2004

Completed for the first time in 2019



Why are we doing this to ourselves??

Get words on the page

Complete a project

Develop a writing habit

See where the train goes... without derailling?

It's not too late to use the tools!

NaNo Prep 101 Workshop

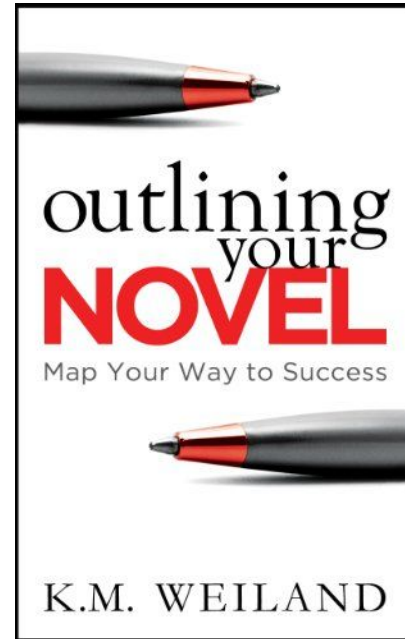
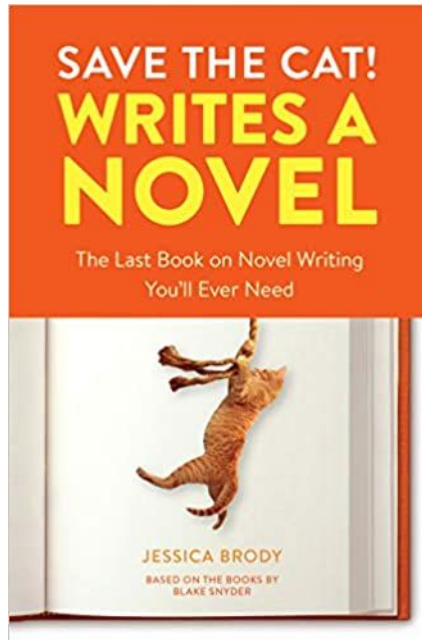
Are you getting ready to write with us this November? Check out all our NaNo Prep resources.

- [How to Participate in NaNo Prep 101](#)
- [The Official Calendar](#)
- [NaNo 2020 Banners & Flair](#)
- [The NaNo Prep 101 Weekly Breakdown](#)

Elements of a good story... for NaNo

- Idea you're passionate about - that you'll want to come back to every day
- Characters you want to write about
- Something should happen... probably
- A setting

Inspiration from structure



The Derailments

Life Stuff

Boredom

The Plot You Outlined Isn't Working

The Schedule Isn't Working

Worrying Too Much About Publishing

Don't Feel Like Writing

Too Busy with Other Stuff

Impostor Syndrome

Over-Editing

It's Okay if You Don't Finish!!



Most Important -





How is your NaNo project going??





Good
luck! --
May your
train stay
on the
track!!