WW 2022 Calendar

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MONTH	WRITING CHALLENG OF THE MONTH	BOOK OF THE MONTH
Saturday 8th January 2022	 Write a <u>MYSTERY</u> short story set in a <u>CITY</u> in another <u>COUNTRY</u>. Description using all your senses is everything! Tip: ask yourself what kind of mystery do you want to solve? Then, listen to an author that mimics that style. For example, Sherlock Holmes mysteries by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, Inspector Gamache series by Louise Penny, Murder on the Orient Express by Agatha Christie or The No. 1 Ladies Detective series by Alexander McCall Smith or an art heist by Iain Pears called The Raphael Affair! 	The Gase of the Deadly BUTTER CHICKEN DEADLY BUTTER CHICKEN DEADLY BUTTER CHICKEN Hall, T. (2013). The Case of the Deadly Butter Chicken: Vish Puri, Most Private Investigator. Canada: McClelland & Stewart.
Saturday 12 February 2022	 Write a <u>YA (YOUNG ADULT)</u> short story with <u>TWO</u> <u>PROTAGONISTS</u>. Exploring conflict(s) internally / externally. This is an important aspect of the "hero's journey" if you choose this approach. Can be any time period – for example – The Light Between Us by Andrew Fakuda is set in WWII. Tip: look at diaries, postcards, or letters if you have them to see the mindset you had to get a feel for the feelings and a voice for your characters as a young adult yourself. This helps with authenticity in your writing / interview a teenager about a topic that would interest them and see if you can write about it. 	Photo credit & Publishers: Napolitano, A. (2021). Dear Edward. Thorndike Press.
Saturday 12th March 2022	 Write a short story using <u>PERSONIFICATION</u> via animals or aliens or other (I am thinking of being a rock – ha ha ha) that you use for your voice or voices of your characters. Think about why (message) and who your audience (age) is when creating this story as this will help you. Resource: here is a YouTube link to an interview with the author 13 July 2019 (GBH Forum Network) at a point where she talks about the inception of this book: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gyfJspdMag4&t=649s 	Image: A state of the state

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Saturday 9th April 2022	 Write a NON-FICTION TRAVEL / ADVENTURE short story where you had to get out of trouble using only your "wits" – can be humorous – must be based on true event(s). Fun Fact: I met Joe Simpson speaking in the 1990s in Norwich, England because my friend John Cameron "JCee" was also an avid climber who went on adventures with Joe! I had a signed poster from this event - long since lost in my parent's home somewhere. Although, my dad remembers the poster and book and that they were signed! How cool to have met this author, climber, and someone whose real-life adventure has been turned into a movie! 	Photo credit and Publishers: Simpson, J. (2007). Touching the void. Scholastic.	
Saturday 14 th May 2022	 <u>PHOTO / PAINTING CHALLENGE</u> short story – find an old photo or painting – maybe one from the family archives or a painting from the local museum gallery that has no names or limited information – maybe just a date. Something that captured your imagination!?! The book opposite is a collection of stories based on photographs that had no owners or namesthey are quite inspiring! First published in 1970?! Movie: Words and Pictures starring Clive Owen and Juliette Binoche is a contemporary movie debating the argument which is more important – words or pictures: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EkHrVw-cDmU 	ALEXANDER MCCALL SMITH With Control of the second	
Saturday 11th June 2022	Magazine Magic!Wrap-up of our writings – workwith partners in break-out rooms to finish any writingchallenge of the year!1)Flower Power Challenge!2)Fortune Telling Rhyme Challenge3)Mystery Short Story4)YA Short Story5)Non-Fiction Adventure6)Personification Short Story7)Photo Challenge Short Story	Wondrous Wonden's Writers & Ullustrators Group Bicture Design: Carey Anne Welch © 2019	
July 2022	SUMMER READING & WRITING	NO MEETING	
August 2022	SUMMER READING & WRITING	NO MEETING	

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Saturday 10 September	Guest Speaker – TBC Special Note: we will review <u>Power Poems for</u> <u>Giraffes</u> by Katie Benatovich, Charity Burlingame, and Carey Anne Welch (Connection Cards by Neal Steward). Information for purchasing available on <u>www.treetopspublishing.com</u> . Please read and pick your favorite poem and activity to discuss with the group. Thank you.	Photo credit & Publishers: Katie Benatovich, Charity Burlingame and Carey Anne Welch (2021). Power Poems for Giraffes, TreeTops Publishing LLC.
Saturday 8 October	 Writing Challenge: Make a PODCAST OR AUDIO BOOK / Recording of short Story (your choice – top tip is a family story that you are willing to share). I will send a separate email with links for how to make a podcast and best practice. Here is a YouTube link: Stephen Fry Talks Sherlock Holmes and Jeremy Brett (Lukeyourself, October 2019): https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XsZYCCgVK00 Audible: you can get a 30-day free trial usually – lots of payment plans that can be cancelled immediately. 	The range of voices Stephen Fry uses are amazing and engaging!
Saturday 12 November	Guest Speaker -TBC Special Note: please pick your favorite Edgar Allen Poe story or poem to share with at the group. Link: https://www.poetryfoundation.org/poets/edgar- allan-poe	ALL THINGS POE! The Raven Tell Tale Heart Alone
Saturday 10 December 2022	Zoom Event: <u>HOLIDAY LITERARY QUIZ, SCAVENGER</u> <u>HUNT, POETRY ZOOM FEST</u> (everyone shares a poem)and CELEBRATIONS OF BOOKS PUBLISHED BY WWGROUP IN 2022!!! Special Note: we will take it in turns to read aloud and discussShakespeare. Please stick to one sonnet, soliloquy, or scene.Dressing up is optional.	Pick your favorite <u>SHAKESPEARE</u> scene / quote from a Shakespeare play to read aloud and explain to the group! What was hard? What did you like? How does it relate to your life now?

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