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From the Author

The Writer's Guide to Crafting Stories for Children is the how-to book I always wanted to read but never could find.

This book deals with fundamentals. I explore story ideas and writing and structure. What makes a character memorable and what it is about certain children's books that makes readers keep turning the pages. I discuss beginning, middle and end; premise, theme and tone; dialogue and point of view; conflict and structure; plot and subplot. I also talk about the importance of choosing a voice that enhances your story and the power of using the five senses to add texture and authenticity to that story.

This is a book about basics...a book that shows you how to apply what you learn to your own writing in easy-to-follow, step-by-step detail.

About the Author

Nancy Lamb has published more than 40 books for children and adults, including the award-winning *One April Morning: Children Remember the Oklahoma City Bombing*. She is an editor as well as a writer and a faculty member of the Big Sur Writer's Workshop. Lamb lives in Venice, California.

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