

Pro Tips to Write Your Next Book

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Idea Capture

- [Mindmeister.com](https://www.mindmeister.com) – helps prepare mind maps to organize your book
- [Evernote \(Evernote.com\)](https://evernote.com) – capture ideas, notes, and clippings in one place (mentioned in presentation)
- [Notion \(Notion.com\)](https://www.notion.com) – flexible workspace for notes, outlines, and research

Focus and Productivity

- [Pomodoro Technique](#) – 25-min writing sprints with short breaks (mentioned in presentation)
 - [Pomofocus.io](https://pomofocus.io) – Free browser-based Pomodoro timer
 - [ForestApp.cc](https://forestapp.cc) – gamified focus timer with a tie to planting trees
- [Daily word count goal trackers](#):
 - [Pacemaker Planner](https://pacemaker.press) – maps word goals to a calendar (pacemaker.press)

Drafting and Writing

- [Scrivener](#) – tool for long-form nonfiction
- [Google Docs](#) – accessible, cloud-based drafting with easy sharing
- [Microsoft Word](#) – standard for professional manuscript delivery
- [FinishDraft.com](https://finishdraft.com) – prevents editing while you're writing

Using AI Responsibly

- [Claude \(claude.ai\)](https://claude.ai) – my preferred tool for information-gathering
- [ChatGPT \(chatgpt.com\)](https://chatgpt.com) – helpful for brainstorming titles and headers
- [Perplexity \(perplexity.ai\)](https://perplexity.ai) – more of a research tool

Professional Support (If You Need It)

- [Nonfiction Authors Association](#) – recommended resources on home page
- [Book Coach \(LisaTener.com\)](https://lisatener.com) – to help you plan, structure, and stay on track
- [Ghostwriter \(AssociationofGhostwriters.org\)](https://associationofghostwriters.org) – writes the book for you in your voice
- [Editor \(The-EFA.org\)](https://the-efa.org) – polishes and refines your completed manuscript

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