

Course Description and Outline

Course Title	How to Get your Novel Out		
Level of Course	Beginners	Course Code	A
Duration in Weeks	1		
Brief Description of Course	<p>The course is designed for students already working on a novel or an idea for a novel. The course will help you identify what you need to do to develop and finish your work and look at different methods for getting work published and promoted. The course will teach you how to find and contact agents and look at alternative publishing methods like self-publishing, independent publishers and blogging.</p>		
Entry Requirements	<p>Competency in written and spoken English equivalent to Level 1. Already working on a piece of Creative Writing (see above). Being a previous participant in a Creative Writing course or courses is desirable.</p>		
Main Learning Outcomes for all Learners (Maximum of 5) By the end of the course you will be able to:			
1	Develop an existing piece of structured work		
2	Identify what audiences would be interested in your work and how to reach them		
3	Understand how different publishing routes work		
4	Produce a cover letter to send to agents		
5	Contribute to practical exercises and discussions		
Equipment Required What will I need to bring to class?	Please bring pen and paper to your first class where your tutor will advise of any additional materials required		
What courses can I go on to?	<p>You can continue with this course, as a returning student, to progress your own work.</p> <p>You may wish to enrol on other courses held at Idea Store Learning. Please see a course guide for further information or speak with your tutor.</p> <p>Your tutor will support you in researching these and other courses outside of Idea Store Learning.</p>		

What examination or assessment will there be and what will it involve?

At the beginning of the course an initial assessment takes place to identify your level of experience knowledge or current skills.

The tutor will carry out informal assessments to check your understanding, there is no exam.

You will complete a self-assessment at the beginning, middle and end of the course and you will participate in regular self assessment.

Your tutor will let you know how you are getting on throughout the course to help you work to your full potential.

At the end of the course you will receive written feedback.

How will I know I am making progress?

You will have an 'Individual Learning Plan' where the course learning outcomes are shown and where you can set individual learning goals and monitor your own progress against these.

You will need to evaluate your own progress and manage your time.

Your tutor will give ongoing feedback and will keep you informed of your progress.

Is there anything else I need to know?

To maximise your chances of benefiting from the course fully we expect you to attend **all** scheduled sessions and that you do so **punctually** and are ready to start learning at the start of the class.

What if I want extra support?

Come and see one of our experienced and friendly advisors. For further information, email ideastore@towerhamlets.gov.uk and a member of the team will get back to you.

This is a brief description of the course content and is not definitive or exhaustive. The course content may be subject to change without notice however the details above are intended to give a picture of the types of activities which may be included on the course.

Course outlines provide a general summary of the contents and material to be covered during lessons. They are subject to change at the discretion of teachers to meet the needs of learners and should not be regarded as prescriptive lists of activities to be covered.

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