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Do you ever really "become" a writer? Or are you born a writer?

I tend to believe it's the latter.

Though we only learn spelling and grammar later in life, some of us are born with a proclivity for storytelling. There's something in our hearts that's desperate to escape through our fingertips. We probably won't know why until we're much older, and in many cases after several attempts to try our hand at other jobs.

Being a writer isn't like being a plumber or an accountant or a lawyer. There's no official certification to achieve. It's not like other careers where the training is formal, and a linear pathway takes you through to employment.

I think this is because writing isn't a job. It's a calling.

And if you're like me, feeling called to write isn't something you can escape. Sure, you might try to be a Medical Receptionist, an English Tutor, or a Telemarketer instead (yes, I've done all three). But you'll always come back to writing.

If you're wondering whether you're destined to be a writer, I can tell you right now that the answer is a resounding YES. If you're asking yourself that question, it means that you've heard the call. Though it might be as quiet as a whisper, you've heard it. You are called to write. That makes you a writer.

Just in case you're still not convinced, I'm going to share 5 more signs that you're well suited to a career in writing:





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#### 1. YOU LOVE READING.

Imagine sitting down with Meryl Streep. You ask her what her favourite film is and she says, "Film? I've never cared for it really."

Does that sound weird to you? Me too. Actors love watching movies. Musicians love listening to music. Chefs love to eat. Writers love to read. Period. It's my opinion that you can't be a great writer if you're not a voracious reader. One of the best ways to learn about compelling storytelling is to read it. And lots of it.

If you're someone who reads for pleasure, and often finds yourself pausing after a particularly beautiful sentence to just let it wash over you, to just bask in a gorgeous turn of phrase, chances are you're destined to be a writer.

#### 2: YOU HAVE BIG FEELINGS.

Good writing makes the reader feel something. It's my opinion that in order to stir a feeling in the reader, the writer must write with feeling.

Many writers have a tendency towards melancholy, overthinking, introversion and sensitivity. Not all writers, but many. Certainly that's me. It makes it difficult sometimes to fit in socially (see #3). But big feelings are a mandatory quality for good writing.

Having big feelings, and being curious about what those feelings mean allows you to share insight with readers. To enlighten them. To make meaning from their own feelings.

Have you ever been told that you're too "dramatic"? Too "sensitive"? Too "serious"? Chances are, you're a writer.





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By no means is this one a pre-requisite. But it is a common experience shared by many writers.

Lin Manuel Miranda once said that he thinks all great artists are outsiders. Being an outsider gives you a totally different perspective. You have the ability to observe group dynamics in a way that you simply can't from the inside.

Being an outsider gives you plenty of time to think. To ask questions. To read. When you're 13 years old and the mean girls are breaking your heart at Junior High (yes, speaking from personal experience), this quality feels like torture.

In actuality, it's preparing you- giving you the material you'll need later on when you finally step into your destiny as a writer.

4. YOU'RE GREAT AT EXPLAINING.

Not only are you curious to learn about new ideas, to research and ask questions and draw conclusions, but you're great at taking the information you've learned and spinning it into a succinct explanation.

Do your friends often ask your opinion on world events? Have you ever had the experience of explaining something complex and being met with a compliment like, "Wow. I finally understand now"?

Writing is all about conveying a message. It's like you're setting out a pathway for your readers by laying individual stones. You need to know which stones to pick, and the order in which to place them so that your reader is sent down the path you've chosen. A clear explanation is a direct pathway.





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Perhaps the biggest sign that you're destined to be a writer is that you're already writing.

If you write for free and enjoy it (that includes blogging, social media posts, journaling... even lengthy emails and texts), then congratulations! You're a writer.

Those of us who are destined for a career in writing find that we can't stop writing. Even if we're not getting paid, we can't help but type out our thoughts or bring pen to paper.

If you want to be a writer, you should just start writing. As with any creative endeavour, MORE IS MORE. The more you write, the better you get. Flex that muscle as often as possible and you'll be astounded at how quickly your skill grows.

### Your writing career

BOTTOM LINE? STOP WASTING TIME WONDERING IF YOU'RE DESTINED TO BE A WRITER & JUST GET WRITING.

JUST BE A WRITER.







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In my online course, The Future is Freelance, I'll be teaching you everything you need to know to launch and build a profitable freelance writing business.

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- How the business of freelance content + copywriting works
- Your role + what your clients expect
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- How to confidently contact, pitch + win new business
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