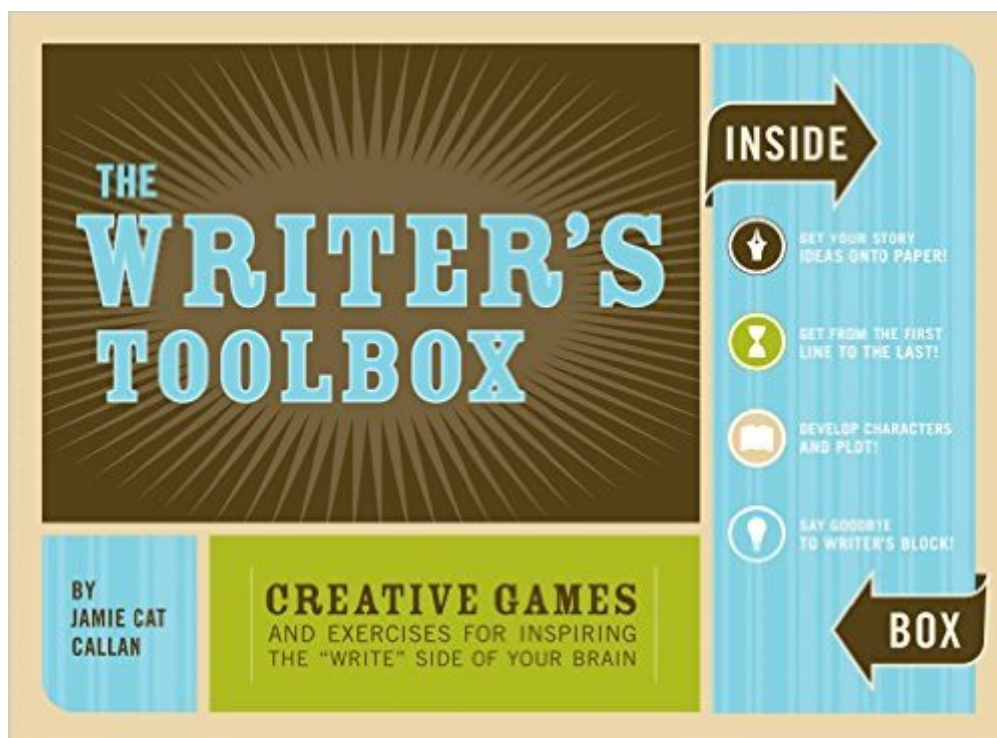




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# The Writer's Toolbox: Creative Games And Exercises For Inspiring The 'Write' Side Of Your Brain



## Synopsis

Designed by a longtime creative writing teacher, this innovative kit includes a 64-page booklet filled with exercises and instructions that focus on a "right-brain" approach to writing. Sixty exercise sticks First Sentences, Non Sequiturs, and Last Straws will get stories off the ground, 60 cards fuel creative descriptions, and four spinner palettes will ignite unexpected plot twists. For any aspiring writer, this kit is the perfect first step on the path to literary greatness!

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## Customer Reviews

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I've been using the tool box for a week now and I've found it to be incredibly helpful. The book that came along with it was also really inspiring. The main focus of this toolbox is to just get you writing. It doesn't matter what it is, if it's good or if it makes sense. Just write, write, and write some more. Practice makes perfect and the toolbox offers a lot of inspiration and starting points, which is usually the hardest part for me. Big fan.

Not bad... just not good. I feel as though all the information in this box could have just been found

for free online. If you need a prompt, google writing prompts. Better for a classroom toolkit.

It was more of a game, than actually useful for helping you write a book. It was not a bad game, but it was not what I was hoping for when I bought it.

get those creative juices going

Not nearly as useful as I had hoped. It is, in my opinion, a teacher's aid more than a toolbox for writers. But, that is to be expected given the creator is a teacher. It is limited, but has some good tools as a starter for making a much better version. A little effort and a spreadsheet and in no time I will have a first rate version for my style. That being said, for the price it is not a disappointment, just not very useful.

These exercises seem like a game until you realize you've written a short story that wins a contest! That's what happened to me using prompts from The Writer's Toolbox. It also turned out to be a fun game after dinner one night. Each person took a prompt, read it out loud then expanded on it and we had a hilariously outrageous story. That's how easy it is to let your imagination put ideas together. I've written three additional stories and am aiming for one a week. This toolbox jumpstarted my writing career.

I ordered this as a gift for a writer friend who also meets with other writers. He used this with them as an exercise and they ALL loved it and have asked to do it again at their next meeting. He said it was fun and useful.. I'm delighted and so are they.

I love this idea: a writer's toolbox from which one can draw any combination of story starters. This little kit has all the tools you need to get students started in creative writing. I teach high school and will use this as my little handy toolbox to get the students started in creating stories, characters, conflicts, and more. This is a handy set to have on hand in any English classroom, but especially writing classes.

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