# BEGIN YOUR BESTSELLER



# Writing Workshop

# WITH CARMEN ALLEN

(Author of Molly Greenwood Adventures series)

Thank you for your interest in a writing workshop. This document contains:

- 1. Workshop Overview
- 2. Workshop Program
- 3. Resources & Giveaways
- 4. Fees, Terms & Conditions (Note: pricing may be negotiable)

# 1. Workshop Overview

**TARGET AUDIENCE:** Aspiring fiction authors

TARGET AGE: Ideally 9-12 year-olds, but may be extended to 15 years if required.

**WORKSHOP LENGTH: 2 hours** 

WORKSHOP KEY POINTS: The workshop is delivered in three parts.

★ Part One: Elements of a Good Story.
★ Part Two: How to Outline Your Story.
★ Part Three: Summary, Resources, Q&A

# 2. Workshop Program

# **PART ONE - Elements of a Good Story**

- 1. Introduction:
  - ★ How I became an author
  - ★ What my books are about
  - ★ Where my ideas come from
- 2. "Get to Know You" game
- 3. Book Reading (Molly's Maze Discovery Chapter 1)
- 4. Teaching session using an object lesson: "How to Write a Good Story."
- 5. The importance of reading, writing, editing and sharing your story with others.

Outcome for Part One: Knowledge of the key elements of a great story.

**Audience Participation:** Children will be encouraged to participate in the book reading and object lesson.

BREAK - Restroom, food/drink (10-15 mins)

## **PART TWO - How to Outline Your Story**

- 1. "Try/Fail" game.
- 2. The Movie Method: Outlining in scenes
- 3. Exercise: Outline your key plot points using the resources provided.

Outcome for Part Three: Knowledge and competency for outlining a fictional story.

**Audience Participation:** Children will organise their plot points visually, so they feel prepared and competent to write their story.

### PART THREE - Resources, Summary, Q&A

- 1. Recommended Writing Software.
- 2. Summary of what we've learned.
- 3. Questions & Answers.

# 3. Resources & Giveaways

# Participants will each receive a gift bag containing:

- ★ 1x set of outlining flashcards
- ★ 1x set of scene notecards
- ★ Pencil and eraser
- ★ Exercise book
- ★ "Character Interview" worksheet
- ★ "Planning Your Story" worksheet
- ★ "How to Start Outlining" worksheet
- ★ "Writing Your Story" worksheet with suggested writing software
- ★ Workshop Summary Card
- ★ Author promo card with an invitation to join newsletter list & receive a free e-book.
- ★ Small gifts.



### **★** TWO HOUR WORKSHOP FEE: \$300.00

**Payment:** Stakeholder/Host will be invoiced after the workshop. Payment required within 14 days.

### **★** CONFIRMATION OF BOOKING

Stakeholder/Host will be required to sign a Confirmation of Booking Form prior to the event.

# **★** FEE DEPOSIT

A fee deposit is not required. The Confirmation of Booking Form will suffice.

# **★** CANCELLATION OF BOOKING

A minimum of 24 hours notice must be given by the stakeholder/host if the booking is to be cancelled. A cancellation fee of \$50 will be charged if the event is cancelled within 24 hours.

# **★** SALE OF BOOKS

The author will have copies of books available for purchase. Eftpos payment preferred to cash.



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