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- Get published — find the right agent and/or editor, craft a one-of-a-kind submission package, and promote your novel once it's published

Open the book and find:

- Helpful sidebars from notable YA authors
- Ideas for timeless themes
- Four easy steps to writing a killer hook
- Tips on writing believable characters, settings, and dialogue
- How to edit and revise with confidence
- Answers to the most common publishing contract questions
- Common pitfalls to avoid
- Advice on self-publishing vs. traditional publishing

Learn to:

- Develop a writing style that appeals to young readers
- Turn your ideas into a compelling manuscript through writing exercises
- Submit your novel to young adult publishers

About the Author

Deborah Halverson founded the writer's advice website DearEditor.com and was a veteran editor for young adult and children's fiction before picking up a pen and writing the teen novels *Big Mouth* and *Honk If You Hate Me*.

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