

A Writer's Library

A fiction or creative non-fiction writer's library should contain a number of good, solid reference books. The listing below forms a good start:

The largest dictionary you can afford, as up-to-date as possible

Roget's Thesaurus

Sisson's Synonyms by A.F. Sisson

The Elements of Style by Strunk and White

Write Away by Elizabeth George

What If? Writing Exercise for Writers by Anne Bernays and Pamela Painter

On Writing by Stephen King

Characters & Viewpoint by Orson Scott Card

How to Write a Damn Good Novel by James N. Frey

The Novel Writer's Toolkit by Bob Mayer

Finding Your Writer's Voice: A Guide to Creative Fiction by Thaisa Frank and Dorothy Wall

The 38 Most Common Fiction Writing Mistakes by Jack M. Bickham

Make A Scene: Crafting a Powerful Story One Scene at a Time by Jordan E. Rosenfeld

The ***Write It Right*** e-book series on writing, by Susan Tuttle (available on Amazon Kindle)

Volume 1: Character

Volume 2: Setting

Volume 3: Story

(Volumes 4 – 12 to be released throughout 2012)

Some great blogs/websites from local writers:

Wordmonger Blog, by C.S. Peryess: <http://csperryess.blogspot.com> (Fun and entertaining about the origin of words)

Anne R. Allen: <http://annerallen.blogspot.com> (Great information for writers of all levels)

www.kritiquecritics.com (Lots of fun posts about a little of everything)

www.SusanTuttleWrites.com (in progress)

www.SusanTuttleWrites.com/womanof1000words (will launch at the end of April, shows how to find stories, characters and settings in ordinary, and not-so-ordinary, photographs)

SLO NightWriters: www.slonightwriters.org (Great for info, listing of members and their blogs, websites and books, archived Newsletters full of writing information and articles, links to other writing sites, etc.)