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Review

Brilliant writing coach James Scott Bell has created a unique writing method that solves the "plotter or pantser" dilemma when it comes to structuring a novel. - Angela Ackerman, writershelpingwriters.net

"Your approach brought a clarity to my current WIP that I knew was missing. I won't be going back to my old way of outlining. I've already gifted a copy to a writer I'm mentoring. I'll be doing more of that. It's just that good." - Kathleen Y'Barbo, author of *Beloved Counterfeit*

From the Author

I've been studying plot and structure for over twenty-five years. Plot was something I did not understand when I started out. I thought writers just sat down at the typewriter (you can read about the typewriter on Wikipedia!) and an intricate story just flowed out of their fingertips. I'd been told you can't learn to write fiction. You either had this inherent talent or you didn't.

I believed that for years.

But then one day I decided I would try to learn even if I failed. I had to try. I wanted to write that much. And slowly, through immersion in the craft and daily practice, I started to get it. Then I got published and started to teach it. I love this craft of ours, and love helping other writers.

I've written maybe fifty novels (not all of them published!) and I've written them in different ways. I've "pantsed" my way to completed book (no outline or planning) and I've outlined others. I've done it in between, too. So I know full well the strengths and weaknesses of every approach.

I've also been amused by some of the vehement arguments by proponents of a particular method.

But now, finally, I have come up with a way that will bring calm and singing to this whole discussion. I do hope I'm on the short list for the Nobel Peace Prize next year.

What is this novel approach? (Pun intended). Well, it's a method. In this method you don't start at the beginning and pants your way through. Nor do you start with the ending and outline the whole doggone thing.

You actually start from the middle.

About the Author

James Scott Bell is a bestselling thriller author and writing coach. In addition to his traditionally published novels, Jim has had several #1 category bestsellers as an indie. His self-published thriller *One More Lie* became the first indie work to final for an International Thriller Writers Award. He lives and writes in Los Angeles.

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