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## **I Will Not**

by [Gina Burgess](#)

What are your New Year's Resolutions as a writer? What? You didn't make any? Well, here are some suggestions for 2018 especially and specifically for writers.

*From ProEdit...*

### **I will not:**

1. Let other people's negative opinions affect how I feel about my writing ability.
2. Rewrite a sentence to avoid grammar or syntax that I'm not sure about, instead of looking it up.
3. Hit send before I proofread.
4. Give up before my writing gets published.
5. Be satisfied with mediocre drivel, even if I can get away with it.

### **I will:**

Improve my fiction by having one conversation with an imaginary person each day.

*From Writer's Digest*

**I will** - make time for my writing.

**I will** - step outside my comfort zone.

*From Jeff Goins*

**I will** - write what scares me.

**I will not** - take myself so seriously.

**I will** - write even when I don't feel like it

**I will** - diligently research.

**I will** - break a rule.

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## [Thoughts on different types of publishing](#)

In case you missed it, here's an excellent discussion about publishing. Traditional Publishing, Indie Publishing, Self Publishing...with so many options how do you know what's best for you? Tom and Gina talk about their experiences and opinions on the matter.

If you've got a message that will help others in their writing/editing/marketing/illustrating, [and you are a member of Authors Community](#), **Email Gina**. She'll work with you to get your message (blog post, newsletter article, training video (3-15 min) or web-ed class (this you'd get paid for!) out to the community. Let's get started!

Thoughts on Publishing



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let us know about your stuff! Awards? Book sales goal reached? Works in Progress? Milestones? Something you'd like tweeted? [Let us know here!](#)

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## **Blog Highlights**

### **[Give Your Characters Their Just Desserts](#)**

*by Margaret Welwood*

"The Lady or the Tiger?" has fascinated and annoyed readers for well over 100 years. It also fascinated and annoyed my English as a Second Language students over the span of my 30-year ESL teaching career. Just like dessert after a meal, the ending of a story...

### **[Stream of Consciousness Writing](#)**

*by Sarah Tun*

Writing stream-of-consciousness is a kind of brainstorming without a central theme, point or purpose. Have you ever written without objective or purpose?

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