

WRITING “GOOD & BEAUTIFUL” STYLE

You can be a light in a dark world!

Many books today are packed with disrespectful behavior toward parents and teachers. Young characters often have negative attitudes toward family members and education. Writers often make these things seem funny and acceptable and also focus only on thrill and fun and self-centered excitement. This type of writing may be popular and may sell a lot of books, but our world desperately needs writers who write to uplift and inspire. You can be that kind of writer! Determine now that your writing will not just be about self-centered excitement. Determine now that your writing will never make inappropriate behavior seem funny or acceptable. You can be a light in a dark world!

Read the sentences below. Cross out behaviors that are not “good and beautiful,” and never include these things in your writing!

1. A girl rolls her eyes at her mother.
2. A boy steals some gum, but feels bad and repents.
3. A boy makes fun of a teacher behind his back.
4. Dysfunctional families are portrayed as acceptable.
5. All the main character cares about is having fun.
6. A girl has a lot of fun as she helps another person.
7. A bunch of young girls are obsessed with boys.
8. A boy acts like his little sister is a pest.
9. A girl acts as if her parents are no fun.
10. A boy thinks school is a bore.

