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A THOUGHT OF MANY COLORS

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You have a great idea for a story or an article. It's perfect and the thought of sharing it with others knows no bounds.

There is your computer, your desk, and you are ready. Fingers on the keyboard, and you click away putting those special thoughts into black and white form. Something is happening – it isn't the same story – everything is different and someone stole your Emmy Award.

What happened? Between the great ideas in your head and the reality on paper – something did definitely happen. Before you check out the latest crime statistics in your area, take a moment and a deep breath.

Your story is there but in your mind' eye it was complete, total, and without any errors or revisions necessary. It was just there – a perfect, pretty package that needed no ribbons or fancy paper. What you have on paper is reality – this is your story in the form the world will see. Your thoughts are there, the words are there, but they do need the ribbons and fancy papers.

Each person has their own way of thinking – their own way of reacting. We don't even think about it – it's just there. We don't flick a switch and we don't push a button. It's just there and there is good. Every writer soon finds out what that burst of energy, that literary genius really is. It's the birth of a story, an article, a poem, or whatever the final outcome will be. Without this "spark" there would be no literature in the world.

Did you ever touch an outlet the wrong way or pull a plug and that white/blue spark just rushes out? When that spark came, it made you jump. It motivated you to stop doing whatever you were doing. It directed you to take precautions. You realized that you had to do something at that very moment.

Well, writing is just like that. The spark is there, but it comes in a beautiful rainbow of colors. It does give you a jump, and you will feel that you need to find paper and pencil and write this down. It

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motivates you to start thinking beyond that initial idea, to gently mold it, weed it, and then redo it in the form that it will finally take. You have to take that first step or nothing would happen. There would be no literary work coming forth.

Many of the greatest writers in history wrote gems that came to them on napkins, the back of envelopes, or even matchbooks. The main point is that they did write them down so that they could refine their thoughts, polish them up and have something that they could be proud to offer to the general public.

Now take a second look at what you typed. It doesn't seem so bad. Maybe, it could use a little work, a tuck here, and a push there. The monumental first step is looking right back at you. It's there – you have it down on paper. You didn't forget it, lose it, or throw it away. Whether you continue on this thought trend is entirely up to you. If not, put that piece of paper in a file folder that you can aptly call "Genius."

You can go to sleep tonight with the knowledge that your folder has the start for a literary giant if and when you take the time to work on it. Check your "Genius" file every so often. That same thought will take on different meanings, new outlooks, and strange new directions. The main point is – it's there. You saved it – and the future of literature will someday thank you when you transform it into the next bestseller or classic.

Welcome to the wonderful world of writing

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Tips For Breaking Away From White Wall Paint

By Lisa French

Paint is one of the most affordable and easiest ways to change a room. But choosing the right paint colors for your home can seem like an overwhelming task.

Paint, accessories, fabric, furniture, and flooring should all blend, so take a good look at the room you will be working on, preferably before you choose a paint color, and decide what will stay in the room, and what you may want to move out of the room.

The first thing you should do when choosing colors for your home, is look around at colors that make you feel good, happy, and relaxed.

These colors are probably already in your home. A few examples are the colors you love to look at in your flower garden, the colors in your jewelry, or pottery, or they can be found in the colors of the clothes in your closet.

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The second thing you should do is go to your local paint store and pick up a color wheel, and or sample cards, pick the sample cards that really catch your eye, and don't be afraid to get as many as you want. Take these cards home and look at them at different times of the day and night, to see how the color will look when the sun shines in on them, or at night when you have lamps turned on, or candles burning. Study this for several days. Be patient when deciding which color feels best to you.

Complimentary colors – are the colors that are directly across from each other on the color wheel.

Harmonious colors – are the colors that are next to each other on the color wheel. Like blue and purple.

Tints – are colors with white added.

Shades – are colors with black added.

Saturation – is the amount of color used. The more color, the more vibrant.

Color tone – is the degree to which it changes.

Pastels – use only a hint of color.

Lisa French invites you to visit her website

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