

Manuscript Evaluation

Is THIS YOU?

- You've finished a draft and want honest feedback
- You're not sure if the story works
- You're querying agents or preparing to self-publish
- You've heard "I loved it!" from friends, but need professional clarity
- You want someone who respects your creative voice

WHAT YOU GET?

- Thoughtful, structured feedback on your plot, pacing, character arcs, emotional beats, theme, and more
- Scene Map + Chapter Breakdown
- Insight into how your story unfolds
- Revision Strategy
- Step-by-step guidance on what to revise, what to rethink, and what to leave alone
- Two-hour feedback call

WHY CHOOSE MANUSCRIPT EVALUATION OVER A DEVELOPMENTAL EDIT?

- You just need to know what's working, and what's not
- Get a high-level evaluation and see the full picture before committing to a deep structural edit just yet
- You're not ready for a big investment yet
- Revise before spending more
- You want confidence in your work before you start querying

MY PROCESS

Step One: Initial Read-Through

- Cold read of the manuscript from start to finish
- Focus on experiencing the story as a reader to understand plot, character arcs, voice, pacing, and engagement

Step two: Detailed Analytical Reading

- Re-read the manuscript in detail, taking notes on key elements such as story structure, character development, pacing, dialogue, narrative voice, and thematic clarity
- Identify strengths and weaknesses, inconsistencies, and areas causing confusion or loss of reader interest

Step three: Comprehensive Written Report

Compile a structured evaluation report outlining:

- What's working well (strengths)
- What isn't working or needs improvement (development areas)
- Specific actionable suggestions and revision strategies
- Overview of writing craft elements (style, voice, grammar)
- Optionally provide chapter-by-chapter feedback for more granular insights

Step four: Consultation and Clarification

- Schedule a session (call or video chat) to walk the author through the evaluation report
- Address questions, explain feedback, and prioritize revision steps
- Discuss publishing goals and next steps such as further edits or query prep

Step five: Follow-up Support

- Offer continued guidance for revision challenges or manuscript resubmission
- Provide resources or referrals to copyediting, line editing, or proofreading as needed
- Encourage accountability and confidence to complete revisions effectively