

My Two Cents Editing

5-Page Assessment

Author:

Genre:

Title:

Date:

Notes: (first 5 pages, chapter X, scene X, full MS, etc.)

Author's concerns:

Scoring Criteria

Each element is scored on a scale of 1-20; zero and N/A are not employed. Brief comments on each element follow each score.

Low: 5 = major problems

Medium: 10 = needs work 15 = shows promise

High: 20 = excellent

Total minimum points = 25

Total maximum points = 100

1. Showing vs. Telling

/20 pts

Does the opening introduce vivid, engaging sensory details that draw the reader into the story world?

Notes:

2. Characters

/20 pts

Does the opening introduce interesting, believable characters?

Notes:

3. Mood, Tone, & Tension

/20 pts

Does the opening introduce plausible, compelling tension that makes the reader want to investigate the plot?

Notes:

4. Dialogue & Internal Thought

/20 pts

Does the dialogue sound authentic? Is unspoken thought handled skillfully?

Notes:

5. Editing Needs

/20 pts

Does the author demonstrate mastery of spelling, punctuation, grammar, and usage?

Notes:

Questions? Schedule a free consultation with Meghan

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