

The Busy Writer's Notebook

# 30 EPIC FANTASY WRITING PROMPTS



Dear Writer,

Thank you for signing up to my mailing list. Here is your copy of 30 Epic Fantasy Writing Prompts, a bonus for my readers :)

I hope you enjoy the next few pages and they help you to develop some new exciting stories :)

### Instructions

1. Use the prompts to ignite a story idea within you. You don't have to take them as is, just take what you like out of them take the idea, character, anything that you can use as inspiration, to spark off your writing practice, and to help you to write.
2. Aim to write 100 or 200 words or if you'd rather, set a timer for 10 or 15 minutes or even 5 minutes and write to that.
3. Ask yourself questions if you're having trouble getting started... For Example:  
"Who is this character? What do they want? What do they need? What or who is standing in their way? What will happen if they don't get want the want/need?"
4. Check out Holly Lisle's post on writing to a writing prompt. In short, she says you need to first develop your Character or Subject and a Conflict. And from there, you can create any story you desire.

When working to writing prompts the goal is to get some words out, create some new ideas, and make new connections in your mind that will help you build new stories.

### Epic Fantasy Prompts

1. Everyone knows about that locker at school, but no one dares wander near it due to that incident 30 years ago. One day after school you notice it glowing...
2. When wading in a local stream, you find what looks like an ancient key with a language you've never seen before. You look around and notice a strange looking hole in a nearby tree...
3. Life is hard for a dwarf laboring deep underground, but one lucky dwarf is magically given wings out of the blue! Hijinks ensue...
4. Egads! After a night of drinking in a rural village you find that you have somehow been turned into a sheep! What to do now...
5. One day you notice that one manhole cover on your street looks ever so slightly different than the rest. Investigating, you find a tunnel leading down into a Goblin cave!
6. You wake up one morning to find chaos on your doorstep! The squirrel uprising had begun...
7. Three years after Orcs integrated into human society, your high school is the first in the area to welcome one... Onto the football team!
8. You wake up one morning with a mysterious 20-sided die on your bed stand, and soon realise that every significant action must be rolled for. The higher the roll, the better you do the action. Fear the natural 1...
9. You adopted a stray dog about 6 months ago, and you notice strange things beginning to happen. His breath is getting hotter and hotter, and you swear his tail has gotten longer too. What is happening to your pooch?
10. One morning you look into your backyard to see a pitched battle between two factions of gnomes about to begin! Can you stop it in time, or will you choose a side?
11. You have moved into a house that is surprisingly full of ants! You consider calling an exterminator but then hear a small voice inside your head...
12. After seemingly finding a wizard staff in Grandpa's old military chest, you begin to realize that there may have been more going on than you knew during World War 2...
13. You can't begin to fathom the reasoning behind the human village's all-gnome police unit until you find yourself in a hostage situation...
14. Staring at the group of centaurs around you, you begin to think joining the track team was a bad idea...



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15. You are shaken awake in the dead of night. The only thing you can make out is Elijah Wood's face. "It was all real" he whispers as he beckons you to follow...
16. As the Minotaur prepared for another charge, you begin to wonder why you thought filling a corn maze with greek monsters was a good idea...
17. On a tour of the white house, you notice a very well-hidden sign pointing to a "fairy room". Your curiosity is piqued, and you steal off toward the hallway...
18. "Son, I think it's time you learned the family trade." You take out the small flask of Ogre potion and motion for your child to follow...
19. It's hard enough being a Cyclops, but being the last one standing in the state dodgeball title game with no depth perception? Now THAT's a challenge...
20. You've heard that many old trees have a story to tell, but when the ancient oak outside the town hall actually starts talking, it looks like the proverb may have more to it than you thought...
21. Meeting your girlfriend's parents is always stressful, but when the door swings open to a fully grown Elf, you may begin to feel a bit panicked...
22. Working the gate to the Underworld is a tough schtick, but when Hades himself wants to do a security inspection, you'd better make sure you pass!
23. Sorting gemstones for the big summer blowout sale, you begin to notice one of them giving off an eerie glow. Maybe there IS a reason they call it Vampiric Warningstone....
24. Usually catfishes online are not a pleasant experience. A tinder date with Medusa, however, is a totally new thing for me...
25. I only go to Vegas on occasion when I have money to blow, but when you win your own dragon at the roulette table, I suppose there's some mischief we can get in while we're here...
26. You never really believed in magic, until one day you discover that all of your friends are wizards
27. You've been coming to this barber shop for years, and you know the barber very well by this point.
28. One day as you are finishing up at the shop you notice a hidden door near the back. Peeking through, you see a coffin and lots of empty blood bags...
29. Mimics are a normal part of everyday life, but less dangerous. All they want to do is surprise people for the fun of it.
30. "What, never seen a satyr before?" I am still in awe. All I can reply with is a nervous "no" as I survey the half goat half man creature now situating itself in my living room...

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*Thank You*

I truly hope you loved this list of fantasy prompts.

I'd love to hear about your results! Let me know on Facebook , Instagram, or on the [website](#), and I'll get back to you as soon as I can.

Happy Writing!

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