

YOUR FIRST FIFTEEN PAGES – INTERVIEW QUESTIONS



ABOUT THE AUTHOR

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She studied writing at the University of Utah while working on her master's. While there, she taught writing in the Writing Program and learned as much from teaching as she did from her classes. After her Master's Sandra went on to ghostwrite, edit and co-author a number of books for the academic market. She also earned her Ph.D. in History from Arizona State.

Sandra was inspired to write *Your First Fifteen Pages* after reading hundreds of queries and realizing writers need a definitive guide for catching the interest of readers and keeping their story on track all the way to the end.

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AUTHOR QUESTIONS

- What motivated you to write a book on writing?
- What is the best part of reading a query?
- What is the most frustrating thing about being an agent?
- If you could give writers any advice what would it be?
- What is your favorite book?
- What book do you hope will drop in your inbox?

BOOK QUESTIONS

- Why 15 pages?
- You talk a lot about finding the why of your story. Can you explain why that is so important?
- What is the first fifteen pages party?
- You use a number of examples in the book why did you choose the examples you chose?
- What are delicious details and why should authors include them?
- How can writers move story forward and avoid having characters wandering around on the page without anything happening?
- Can you describe the action sequence you use to help writers build their stories?
- What is the most important piece of advice you have for writers?