

Now What? A Guide to Sensitivity Reader Feedback

Writing Diversely



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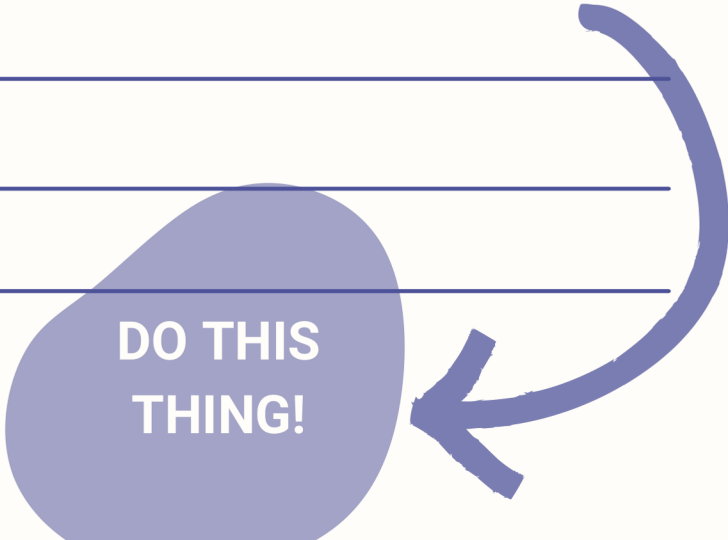
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Prepare Before it Arrives

What are your worries?

What are you hopeful for?

How do you cope with stress?



Are You Ready?

Try to be free from distractions. You should have at least an hour to review your feedback.

Do you have at least an hour to review your feedback?

Are you free from distractions?

From yourself?

From others?

If you are likely to be distracted what are things you can do to minimize those?

Go!

Start with the editor's letter

01

Read

That's all. Read for understanding, don't do anything else.

02

Read it again

Write down your questions for yourself and some clarifying questions for your sensitivity reader.

03

Review any suggested resources

Be sure to review any additional resources your sensitivity reader has provided

04

Check In

How are you feeling? What do you need to do next (writing and personally)?

TIME FOR INLINE COMMENTS

Now that you've read the editor's letter it's time to move on to the draft. The process is similar to what you've just done with the editor's letter.

01

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Just read. This may take you over an hour based on how many comments you have. **The number of comments does not reflect on the quality of your writing.**

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Take a break

How are you feeling? What do you need to do next (writing and personally)?

PLAN YOUR APPROACH

Have a system. Organize like comments and separate them into high-level concerns and sentence-level changes.

WHICH WOULD YOU LIKE TO WORK ON FIRST?

HIGH LEVEL

SENTENCE LEVEL

WHAT ARE THE HIGH- LEVEL CONCERNS YOU WOULD LIKE TO WORK ON?

DO YOU UNDERSTAND THE FEEDBACK YOU'VE BEEN GIVEN AND HOW TO CHANGE IT?

List the things you'd like to do more research on

GO FOR IT!

You're ready to tackle that feedback!

**TAKE YOUR TIME
DO WHAT WORKS FOR YOU**

**ASK FOR HELP IF YOU'RE FEELING
STUCK**

YOU'RE IN CONTROL

LET US KNOW HOW WE CAN HELP

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