



A 'Query Buddy' Query Letter

Query Buddy Editorial
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Introduction

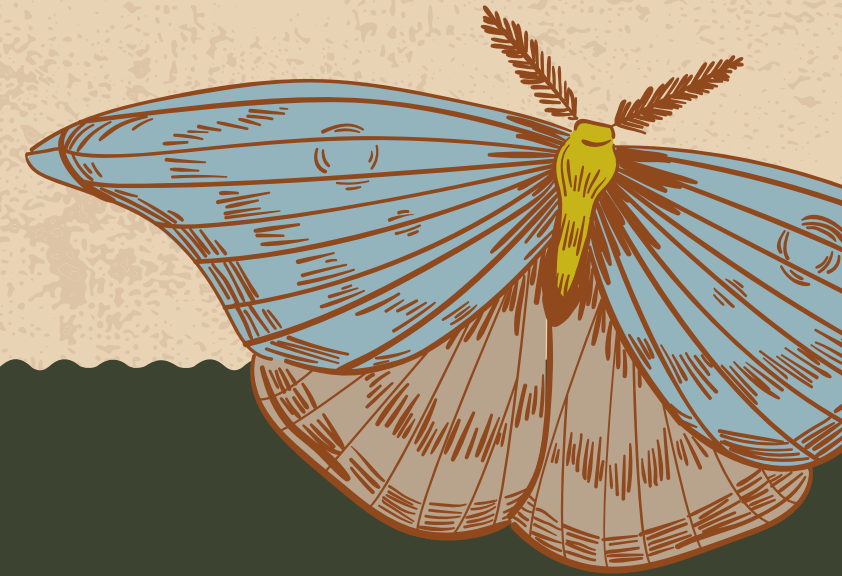
Hello, fellow Writer!

In this presentation, you'll find my quick, simple advice for crafting an effective query letter that will grab an agent's attention in the 'right' ways.

All parts of this presentation have been informed by professional experience both as an agented author and a freelance editor. Through my years working with querying authors, I have collected and compiled the most common issues and recommendations applicable to improving a query letter. Please note that while this slide deck has been shaped by experience, there is never just one right way to do these things.

I hope you find it both informative and enjoyable.

Happy writing!



The Basics

- 1 Word count matters. A good query letter should be less than 500 words, including the author bio.
- 2 Your query letter should include the following elements: critical manuscript information, a synopsis of Act 1 (including a hook), and a brief author bio.
- 3 This reminder is hopefully needless, but I'll include it nonetheless... the tone of your query should remain professional and respectful no matter what.

I'll dig into the 'how' and 'why' for each element of the query throughout this presentation - deeper details lie ahead!