

# ESTIMATE YOUR ACTS

Total word count\* of WIP = \_\_\_\_\_ Total pages = \_\_\_\_\_

*\* Make sure your word count is acceptable for your genre (see chart below).*

End of Act 1 = 25% mark = \_\_\_\_\_ words. Page \_\_\_\_\_

- Inciting Incident = page \_\_\_\_\_
- 1<sup>st</sup> Plot Point = page \_\_\_\_\_

End of Act 2 = 75% mark = \_\_\_\_\_ words. Page \_\_\_\_\_

- Midpoint = 50% mark = \_\_\_\_\_ words. Page \_\_\_\_\_
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Plot Point = page \_\_\_\_\_

End of Act 3 = last page

- Climax = page \_\_\_\_\_

CATEGORY/GENRE	AVG WORD COUNT
<b>Children's</b>	
Picture Book	500 – 1,000
Early Reader	1,000 – 2,500
Chapter Book	4,000 – 10,000
Middle Grade	25,000 – 50,000
Young Adult	45,000 – 70,000
<b>Adult</b>	
Young Adult	50,000 – 80,000
Romance	50,000 – 100,000
Thriller/Mystery	70,000 – 90,000
Historical	80,000 – 120,000
Paranormal	85,000 – 100,000
Sci-Fi-Fantasy	90,000 – 120,000



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