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I've been writing books for over 30 years. While each book is different, and presents its own challenges, I've managed to find a method which is as easy and as hassle-free as it gets, and I'll share it with you.

1. What do you want to write about? It doesn't matter if you want to write your life story, a literary classic, a scholarly tome or the ultimate weight loss bible, you have to have an idea. Consider your life, career, literary preferences, and expertise and think about what you know.
2. Separate your idea into a beginning, middle and end. If you are writing a novel, imagine what your main characters are like. If you are writing a nonfiction work, consider what your reader knows about your subject. Is he or she a complete novice? What basic information does he or she need to know before starting?
3. The middle portion is the meat-and-potatoes of the work. This is where your fiction characters have their adventures and move through the story. In a nonfiction work, this is where you explain each aspect of the subject or show how to do each step.
4. Once you've done that, you're already near the ending. Here is where you wrap up your story with everyone's loose ends tied up, for better or worse. If you are writing a nonfiction piece, carefully summarize all the main concepts and provide sources for more information.
5. Once you have broken down the idea for your book into these parts, it's time to research and write it. This may seem intimidating, but all you have to do is pick out a section and write it until you feel it is complete. Some people start with the ending and work backward. Others start at the beginning. It's all up to you.
6. Don't feel you have to write everything all at once. One common practice is to set a writing goal. For example, write a chapter a day or 10,000 words (about 10 pages). As long as you do a little each day, your book will get written.

Now that you know how to write a book, what's holding you back from starting today? It's simple. Good luck)

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