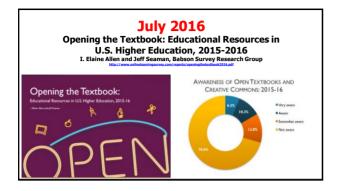
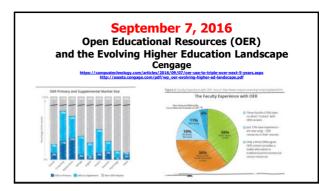


June 14, 2016 and August 11, 2016
Kentucky State U Offers Free ETextbooks for All Students
Leila Meyer, eCampus News

38 Community Colleges to Begin
Replacing Textbooks With Free
Educational Resources

The new effort is backed by grants totaling \$9.8 million
from several foundations, and is likely to give another
boost to the growing movement for open educational
resources, or OER.

















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Self-Publishing Benefits

- · Personal Success
- · Enhanced Digital Identity
- Freedom to Explore New Ideas
- Sense of Personal Control (e.g., deadlines, formatting, appearance, length, title, etc.)
- Fun

Advantages

- Expanded Network and Contacts
- Future Possibilities

Free Book Advantages





- 3. Helps people in the developing world.
- 4. Less guilt when someone has a request or no gifts.
- 5. Trade royalties for new friends, speaking invites, users of ideas.
- 6. Can give to it my students, visitors, email contacts, etc.
- 7. Control; can inform or hand to whomever I want.
- 8. It is an experiment; see works (e.g., OpenWorldBooks.com).
- 9. The network expands.

10.It brings attention to the brand and everything else that I do. $\,$

Who Needs Open Access?

Free Book Disadvantages



- 1. Say what? Making it free after 14 years of planning?
- 2. How to justify charging a fee in the future?
- 3. This project has been my baby for a long time.
- 4. Not cheap to produce; out of pocket costs = ?.
- 5. It could backfire and no one could find out about the book.
- 6. Assumption of lower quality. Reputation takes hit.
- 7. People could more easily plagiarize this book.
- 8. My body could tell me that I am an idiot.
- 9. My book writing colleague deserves some remuneration.
- 10. Will not get publisher connections, book exhibits, or newsletters.

Self-Publishing Challenges



- 1. Need collaborator(s)?
- 2. Who would serve as editor?
- 3. And copyeditor, proofreader, and indexer?
- 4. What about the book cover and other illustrations?
- 5. How to share or market when done?
- 6. Which book publishing services should he use?
- 7. Should he make individual chapters available for mobile devices? What about the Kindle?

Quality Control?

Used the "PEERS" Approach!

- 1. Peer Review
- 2. Extensive Planning and Pilot Testing (14, 10, 7, 3, 1)
- 3. Expert Team Approach (e.g., editors, copyeditors, Web designers, graphic artists, illustrators, and designers, proofreaders, researchers, indexers, formatters, format converters, computer programmers, book publishers, consultants, etc.)
- 4. Relied on Proven Book Format
- 5. Sharing Samples



Let's Play 20 Questions...!



Q1. Need an Editor?

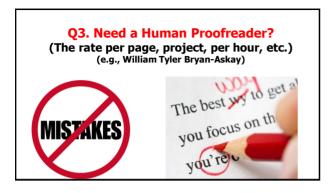
The rate per page, project, hour, varies, etc.



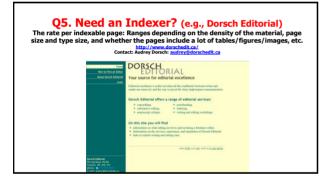


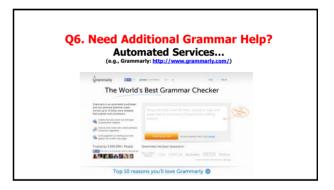
Q2. Need a Copyeditor? (e.g., Egghead Editing) (change by page, project, hour, etc.)



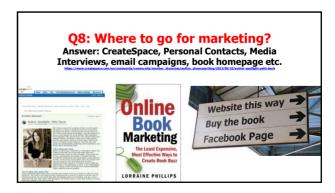


























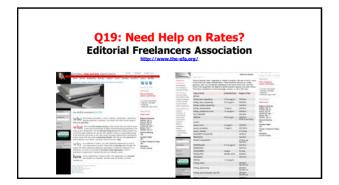




Q18: Need help with book endorsments?
The 6 B's of Gathering Book Endorsements?

- 1. Brainstorm lists and then brainstorm again;
- 2. Be Bold and Brave and get some Big fish;
- 3. Be careful and be choosy;
- 5. De careiur and be choosy,
- 4. Be honest about expectations;
- 5. Begging is not professional.
- 6. Don't Bonk!





























A funny thing happened at the start of the millennium...

Discussions of this book began at AERA in New Orleans when talking to Vanessa Dennen and walking under a bridge at this conference in New Orleans in April 2000.

