

**author**1. [ˈɔːθə] *n*

## 1. 1) автор, писатель

author's edition - издание автора

author's alteration - авторская правка

author's copy - авторский экземпляр

author's royalty - авторский гонорар

## 2) произведения автора

to find a quotation in an author - найти цитату в одном из произведений автора

have you read this author? - вы читали этого писателя?

## 2. 1) творец создатель

the author of a theory - создатель /автор/ теории

## 2) инициатор виновник (чего-л.)

author of mischief /of evil/ - дух зла, сатана

who is the author of this rumour? - кто пустил этот слух?

3. (the Author) *рел.* бог, творец

◇ choose an author as you choose a friend - ≅ выбирай книгу (так), как выбираешь друга

2. [ˈɔːθə] *v*

## 1) быть автором (чего-л.), написать (что-л.)

who authored this play? - кто автор этой пьесы?, кто написал эту пьесу?

## 2) создать, составить (план); изобрести (модель)

**author**

Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

**author** *AW* [author authors authored authoring] *noun, verb* *BrE* [ˈɔːθəʊ] <sup>ⓘ</sup>*NAmE* [ˈɔːθə] <sup>ⓘ</sup>*noun*

## 1. a person who writes books or the person who wrote a particular book

- Who is your favourite author?
- He is the author of three books on art.
- best-selling author Paul Theroux
- Who's the author?

## 2. the person who creates or starts sth, especially a plan or an idea

- As the author of the proposal I cannot agree with you.

Word Origin:

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- Who is your favourite author?

**writer** • • **novelist** • • **poet** • • **playwright** • • **dramatist** • • **scriptwriter** • • **screenwriter** • • **biographer** •

an **award-winning** author/writer/novelist/poet/playwright/screenwriter

a **best-selling/romantic** author/writer/novelist/poet

a/an author/writer/novelist/poet/playwright/dramatist/scriptwriter/screenwriter/biographer **writes** sth

Collocations:**Literature***Being a writer*

**write/publish** literature/poetry/fiction/a book/a story/a poem/a novel/a review/an autobiography

**become** a writer/novelist/playwright

**find/have** a publisher/an agent

**have** a new book out

**edit/revise/proofread** a book/text/manuscript

**dedicate** a book/poem to...

*Plot, character and atmosphere*

**construct/create/weave/weave** sth into a complex narrative

**advance/drive** the plot

**introduce/present** the protagonist/a character

**describe/depict/portray** a character (as...)/(sb as) a hero/villain

**create** an exciting/a tense atmosphere

**build/heighten** the suspense/tension

**evoke/capture** the pathos of the situation

**convey** emotion/an idea/an impression/a sense of...

**engage** the reader

**seize/capture/grip** the (reader's) imagination

**arouse/elicit** emotion/sympathy (in the reader)

**lack** imagination/emotion/structure/rhythm

## Language, style and imagery

use/employ language/imagery/humour/(especially US) humor/an image/a symbol/a metaphor/a device

use/adopt/develop a style/technique

be rich in/be full of symbolism

evoke images of.../a sense of.../a feeling of...

create/achieve an effect

maintain/lighten the tone

introduce/develop an idea/a theme

inspire a novel/a poet/sb's work/sb's imagination

## Reading and criticism

read an author/sb's work/fiction/poetry/a text/a poem/a novel/a chapter/a passage

review a book/a novel/sb's work

give sth/get/have/receive a good/bad review

be hailed (as)/be recognized as a masterpiece

quote a phrase/line/stanza/passage/author

provoke/spark discussion/criticism

study/interpret/understand a text/passage

translate sb's work/a text/a passage/a novel/a poem

## Example Bank:

- Her ambition was to become a published author.
- Primarily a children's author, she has also written books for adults.
- Stephen King is an author I've never read.
- The author was writing in the 17th century.
- The study's authors conclude that there is insufficient evidence to justify the policy.
- the anonymous author of this pamphlet
- the lead author of the report
- He is the author of a plan to bring peace to the region.
- Scott is the author of 'Waverley'.
- She is a published author.
- Who's the author?
- authors of the latest peace plan

## verb ~ sth (formal)

to be the author of a book, report, etc.

### Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	author
	BrE / 'ɔːθə(r) /
	NAme / 'ɔːθər /
he / she / it	authors
	BrE / 'ɔːθəz /
	NAme / 'ɔːθəz /
past simple, past participle	authored
	BrE / 'ɔːθəd /
	NAme / 'ɔːθəd /
-ing form	authoring
	BrE / 'ɔːθərɪŋ /
	NAme / 'ɔːθərɪŋ /

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Longman DOCE 5th Ed. (En-En)

1. **author** <sup>1</sup> **W2 AC** /'ɔːθə(r) bʊθər BrE ' AmE ' noun [countable]

[Date: 1300-1400; Language: Old North French; Origin: auctour, from Latin auctor 'maker, writer', from augere; ⇒ ↑augment]

1. someone who has written a book **SYN writer**:

▪ Nothomb is a Belgian author.

**author of**

▪ He was the author of two books on China.

▪ It's clear that the author is a woman.

2. **formal** the person who starts a plan or idea **SYN initiator**

**author of**

▪ the author of the state reforms

—**authorial** /ɔːθə(r)ɪəl/ **adjective** [only before noun]

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## COLLOCATIONS

■ **adjectives**

- **a famous/well-known author** The famous author Henry James lived here.
- **a best-selling author** | aMcEwan is a best-selling author.
- **a children's author** the children's author Roald Dahl
- **your favourite author** Who's your favourite author?
- **a prolific author** (=one who writes many books) She is also a prolific author with more than 70 books published.
- **a contributing author** (=someone who writes articles for a newspaper or magazine, or who writes part of a book, report etc) Ms Gomez was a contributing author to Chapter 1 of the WG I Report.

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## THESAURUS

- **writer** someone who writes books, stories, or articles in as a job: Greene was one of the finest writers of his generation. | a writer for the Independent Sunday magazine | I always wanted to be a writer.
- **author** someone who writes books, especially works of literature, or someone who wrote a particular book: Among the guests was the author Salman Rushdie. | The author will be signing copies of his book. | He was the author of 'How to Win Friends and Influence People'.
- **novelist** someone who writes books about imaginary people or events: Charles Dickens was one of the greatest 19th century novelists. | the romantic novelist Barbara Cartland
- **poet** someone who writes poems: a class studying the works of modern American poets
- **playwright** someone who writes plays: Shakespeare was the greatest playwright in English history.
- **dramatist** someone who writes plays - used especially in literary writing, about playwrights in the past: the great French dramatist, Moliere
- **scriptwriter** (also **screenwriter**) someone who writes plays for films or television: Three or four scriptwriters work on the show.
- **blogger** someone who regularly writes about a particular subject on their own website: a travel blogger | a blogger who writes about the differences between American and British English

II. **author**<sup>2</sup> AC BrE " AmE " verb [transitive]  
to be the writer of a book, report etc

## author

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15000 **719**<sup>COCA</sup>  
RANGE: **3k** AUTHOR<sup>65213</sup>  
author 48065  
authored 853  
authoring 142  
authorial 543  
authors 14021  
authorship 668  
coauthor 921  
COCA 500k Unlemmatized  
28633 **829**<sup>47961</sup> nn1  
35 **122243**<sup>40</sup> np1  
28 **142187**<sup>30</sup> nnu  
22 **167491**<sup>22</sup> vv0  
7 **312879**<sup>7</sup> jj  
4 **402921**<sup>5</sup> vvi