"What we really long for, as human beings, is to be visible to each other."

Jacqueline Novogratz

Branding + Marketing For Novelists Know Yourself + Know Your Readers

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MARKETING

Is about connecting

With marketing, we connect to other people and show by the words we use, who we are and what we stand for.

Connect Authentically

- Be yourself
- Follow and friend your fellow authors
- Chat on the social media channels
- Visit each other's blogs
- Absorb what's out there and what you like, and even what may not work for you

Part I: Who You Are

Questions

What do you value?

What is your mission?

What are you passionate about?

Your Thoughts

Part 2: Who Are Your Readers

Demographics

Gender: Age range: Married Status: Location: Salary: Occupation: **Buying Habits:** Reads how many books per week/month: Other statistical/measurables:

Psychographics

Needs: Wants: Hopes: Fears: Desires: Other emotional/psychological factors:

Focus/Genre:

Part 2: Who Are Your Readers: Example

Focus/Genre: sweet paranormal romance

Demographics

Gender: Female Age range: 25-50 Married Status: single Location: US/UK Salary: low to middle range Occupation: student/day job/professional/selfemployed Buying Habits: (guess) 2-4 books/month Reads how many books per week/month: 1-3 books/week Other statistical/measurables: uses Twitter and Facebook

Psychographics

Needs: wants an escape into a world anything is possible Wants: to fall in love again; to experience magic; adventure Hopes: to find love for herself Fears: being alone Desires: to feel loved and love in return Other emotional/psychological factors: ?

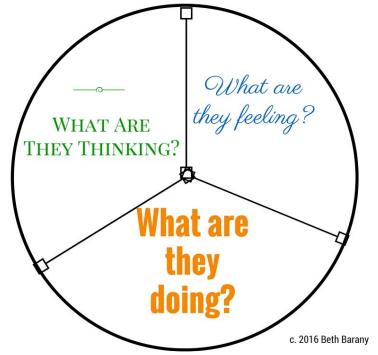
Paint A Picture

Example: I imagine a professional woman reading deep into the night on her Kindle, enjoying a delicious read, and stepping away from her life for a while. (Okay, that's me!)

Your Turn: Paint a picture of your ideal reader enjoying one of your books.

- What is she **doing**?
- What is she **thinking**?
- What is she **feeling**?

As They Read Your Book, Describe Your Ideal Reader



Questions? Shares?

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