will white-knuckle their way through half-hearted revisions.

Fortunately, there are steps you can take to rectify your mistakes without tossing your whole book out and starting from scratch.

Here are a few common plot pitfalls and what you can do to fix them.



How to Write a Mind-Blowing Plot Twist like Gone Girl

As a reader, don't you love the mind-blowing plot twist that seems to come out of nowhere, yet makes complete sense? There's something deeply absorbing in a good plot twist you didn't see coming; it sticks with you, sometimes for years.

Plot twists can happen in the middle of your story, creating a feverish tension that keeps readers turning the pages to see how this new twist will play out next. Other plot twists happen at the climax of a story, resonating with you long after the last page. But you can't force a plot twist; readers will smell it a mile away.

In this article, we teach you how to write a successful plot twist.