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| **"It is my feeling that some stories already exist in the ether, and my job is simply to bring them down to the gross level.  The best times are when I seem to disappear altogether and the story writes itself.  It passes through me, but is not really mine -- a kind of visitation, if you will."****Catherine Ann Jones, *The Way of Story, the Craft & Soul of Writing*****"As an editor & writing consultant, my job is to focus on how to make the book or script better and accessible to a wide audience without betraying the author’s vision."   - Catherine Ann Jones** **Writing Consultations for Books, Fiction & Non-fiction, Plays, Scripts** **This special service opens deeper dimensions of creativity through an in-depth analysis & specific notes on rewriting. The writing consultations feature the following:*** **Character development**
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