

2023 Fantasy Quest Points Overview

Gamify your writing shenanigans in 2023! Using your fancy-pants regional progress tracker, keep track of your points. At the end of the month, the top points-getters will receive valuable prizes and the glory of victory. A survey will open on 11/1 at survey.nanogr.org allowing you to submit your username, point total, and date. The MLs will update the leaderboard every 3rd day. *Participation on the Fantasy Quest is optional. You may also choose to participate privately but not submit your points.*

How to Score Points

PREPARING TO WRITE (10 points max)

- Attend at least one PREPtober event *or* Kickoff. (5 points)
- Create your project at NaNoWriMo. (3 points)
- Complete the regional survey that runs through early Nov. (2 points)

WRITING PRODUCTIVELY (30 pts max)

• Be at or above par for the day. (1 point for every day at/above; substitute your par value if you have selected an alternative goal for the season, like editing)

WRITING TOGETHER (20 pts max)

- Attend the Day of Knockout Noveling on Nov. 11. (5 points)
- Attend at least one in-person official regional write-in *or* privately alert an ML that you cannot do so and then join at least one full session of the Friday Night Virtual Write In *or* get proof that you visited and wrote at a Come Write In venue in the region. (5 points; obtainable only once)
- Post a meaningful (to you) personal goal in the #writing-goals channel on the Discord server and then follow-up with a post during the month explaining how you attained it. Goal can't be to "win" this year. (5 points)
- Post a brief introduction in the #introductions thread on the Discord server by Nov. 5. (2 pts)

- Use a daily regional writing prompt and share it in #the-prompt-room on Discord, at least once in the month. (2 points; obtainable only once)
- Participate in at least one word sprint on the Discord server. (1 point; obtainable only once)

WRITING TO WIN (20 points max)

• Score a "win" for the year and post of your victory in #winners-circle on the Discord server. (20 points; alternative goals are welcome)

HEROIC SIDE QUESTS OF LEGENDARY LITERARY VALOR (20 pts max):

- Post a regional flyer at a bookstore, library, or café. (1 point per place; 5 points max; must name the place where the flyer was posted.)
- Earn a cushion of at least 5,000 words at some point during the month, verifiable on your NaNoWriMo.org project tracker. (5 points)
- Design and upload a cover for your novel to the NaNoWriMo project page. (3 points)
- Post a link to your novel's playlist or pinboard in #social-chat on Discord. (3 points)
- Visit an author or literary-themed booth at any event (a poetry reading, G.R. Comic Con, a book-and-author festival) and get proof of visitation. (3 points)
- Subscribe to the regional blog's mailing list. (1 point)

DISTINGUISHED PARTICIPANT (BONUS) POINTS (10 pts max):

- UP TO five total points per participant, awarded by one of the two MLs at their sole discretion, for an honorable contribution to the region or slaying a personal dragon to achieve a writing goal. *Keep track of how many, when, and by whom.*
- UP TO five total bonus points for people who participated and <u>did not win</u> *but* went to the #winners-circle channel on the Discord server and outlined what they achieved, what they learned, and how their writing process has evolved. The reflection should be brief but meaningful, showing insight and a commitment to continuous improvement. The MLs will award points in the thread.