

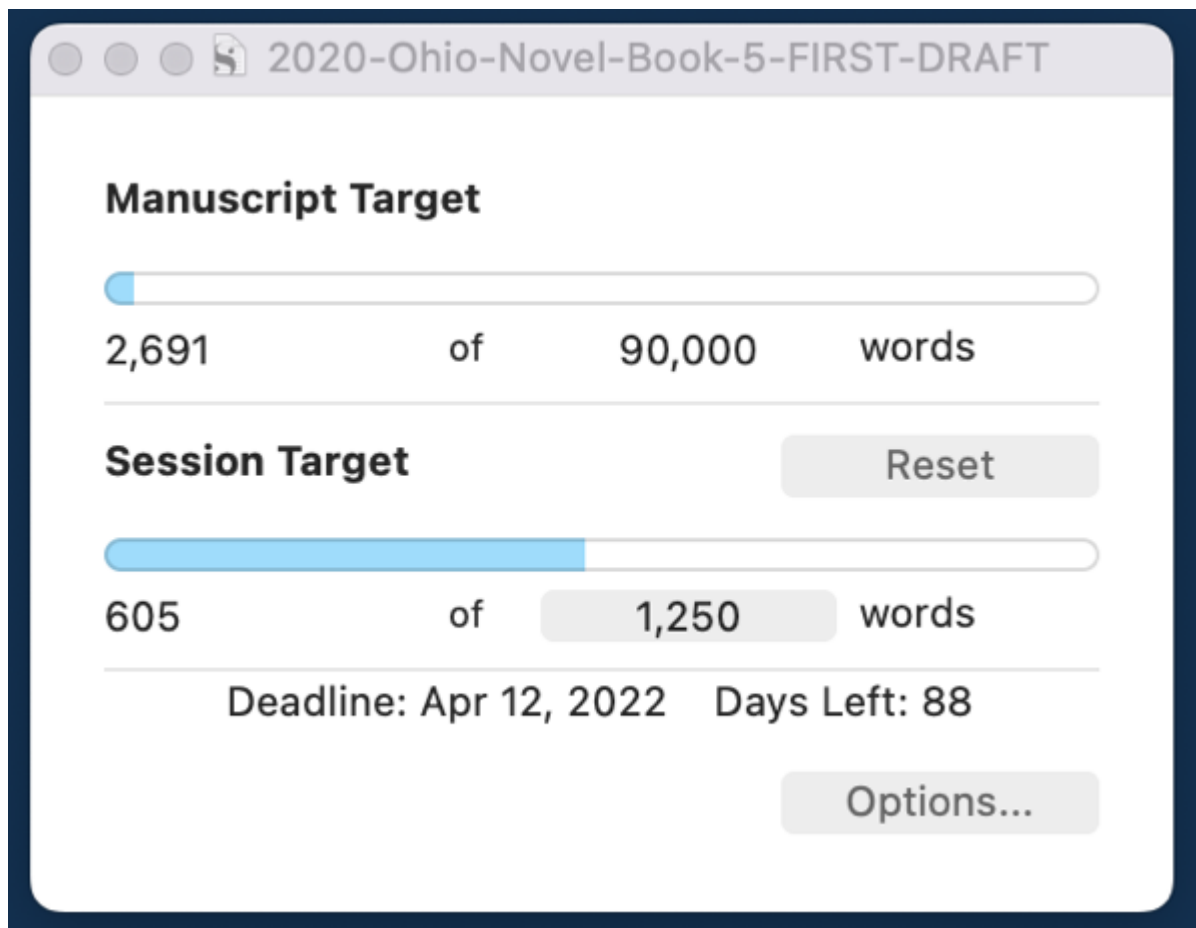
Finished Chapter 1 of Ohio Five!

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And it was not easy. I wrote words, then deleted a BUNCH of words, including some of the ones I'd just written, and then got the right words.

I managed to capture this in pictures.

My starting wordcount...



The wordcount after I realized I was writing in the wrong direction and deleted a hefty chunk of stuff...

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Manuscript Target

2,086 of 90,000 words

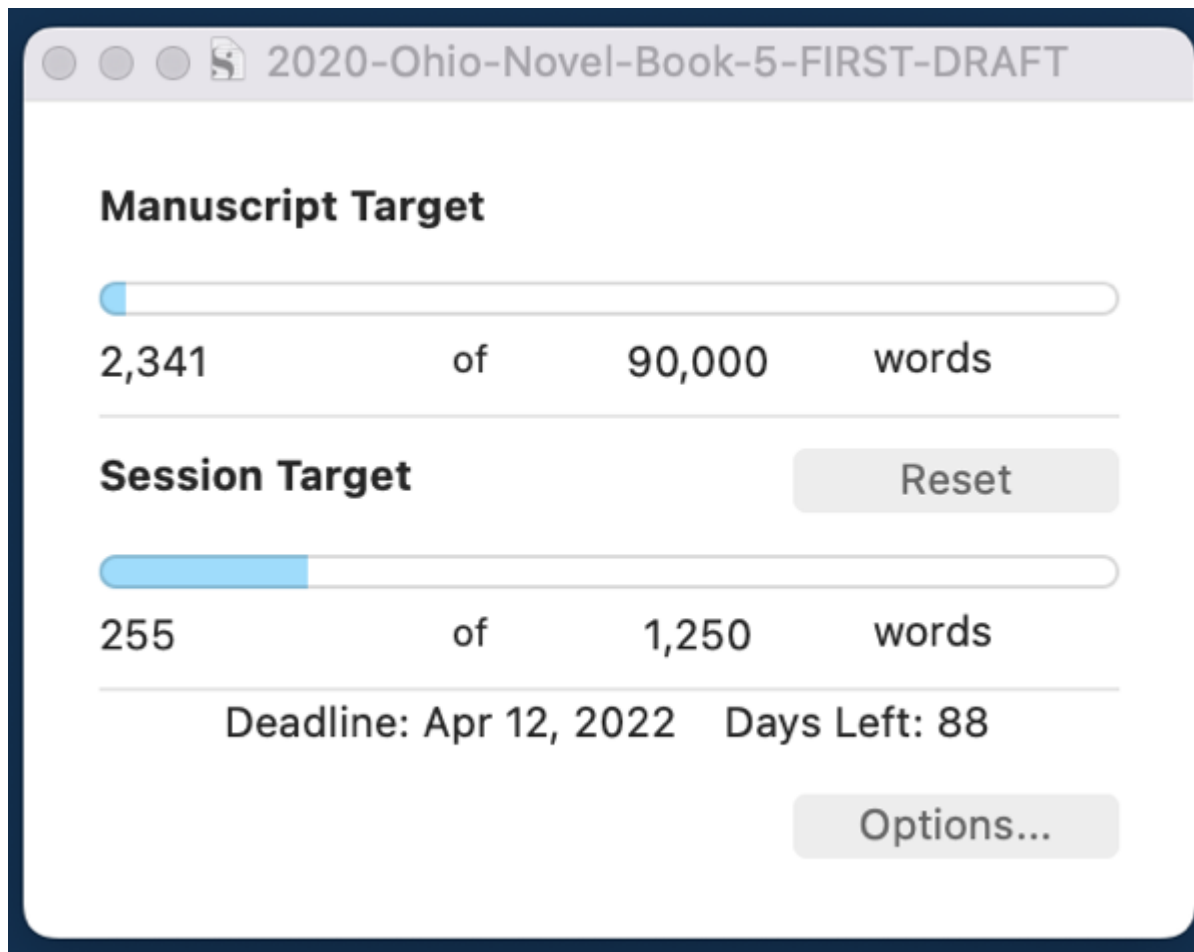
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0 of 1,250 words

Deadline: Apr 12, 2022 Days Left: 88

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And my final wordcount after realizing what the right direction was...



It's a process. And this time the process let me dump a lot of thicket so that I could see both the forest AND the trees. Which, considering my main character and the guy who was first to the scene of a BIG crime are now hiking together towards the woods, is an appropriate metaphor.

With good and happy and dangerous words now on the page, I can head off to work on the website again, a more cheerful and considerably less stressed-out person.

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