Gregory A. Kompes believes anyone can become a more creative writer. To help writers improve their skills he utilizes hands-on workshops that blend writing to prompts, critique and feedback, and a bit of lecture to get people writing and talking about writing. As a published author in various genres and seasoned educator, Gregory offers programs on all aspects of writing (fiction, nonfiction, and poetry) and publication (traditional, indie, and hybrid).

Mr. Kompes has authored 14 books (fiction, poetry, and nonfiction), contributed to over a dozen anthologies (including Chicken Soup for the Soul: What I Learned from the Dog and Chicken Soup for the Soul: The Joy Christmas), and written hundreds of published articles on wide range of topics. In addition to teaching English Composition at Nevada State College, Gregory also leads a popular writing series Fiction Through Prompts, at the Gibson Library in Henderson, Nevada. He holds A BA in English Literature from Columbia University, New York, a MS Ed. with an emphasis in Online Teaching and Learning from California State University, East Bay, and a MFA with an emphasis in Creative Writing from National University, La Jolla, CA.

**School Workshops**

**Fiction through Prompts:** This is a hands-on writing workshop that includes writing to a “high end” prompt, reading our work, receiving a bit of feedback on the work, and a short lecture on a literary device or aspects of writing fiction. This workshop can be customized for what your group or organization most wants to learn about writing or can be offered in longer format as learning opportunity for the foundation elements of fiction (character building and development, settings and world building, description, plots, the hero’s journey, etc.) (2-6 hours)

**So, You Wanna Write a Novel:** Lecture includes aspects of writing fiction from Inspiration to Publication. Includes: character building and development, settings and world building, description, plots, the hero’s journey, editing and selfediting, types of publication, etc. Can be customized to focus on your group’s interests. (2-6 hours)

**Internet ACE:** Online Self Promotion for Authors and Artists: Lecture includes an overview with practical advice on using the internet, email, and social media to build your platform. (2-6 hours)

**Inspiration for Authors:** Lecture includes an overview of places and ways to find inspiration to enhance your writing and fill your artist’s well (1-3 hours)

**Creating Your Online Media Kit:** Lecture includes a discussion of elements to include in your online media kit to promote and build your author brand. (1-3 hours)