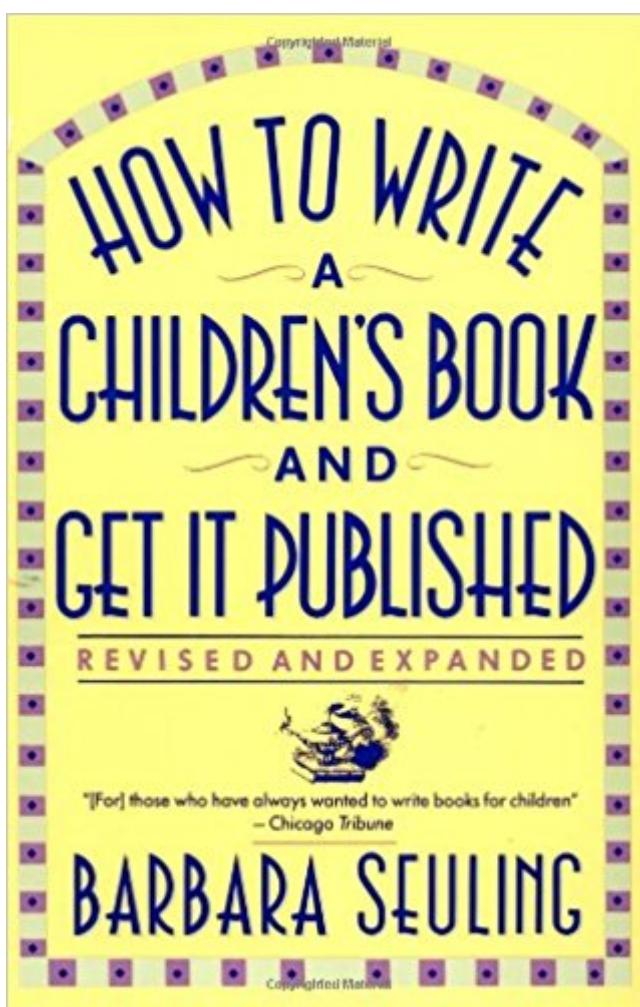


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# How To Write A Children's Book And Get It Published



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