# Here the Story: A Memoir of Creative Writing and Life Lessons



#### Here's the Story: A Memoir by Mary McAleese

★ ★ ★ ★ 4.6 out of 5 Language : English File size : 14009 KB Text-to-Speech : Enabled Screen Reader : Supported Enhanced typesetting: Enabled X-Ray : Enabled Word Wise : Enabled Print length : 403 pages



Here the Story is a memoir by author and writing teacher Kim Addonizio. The book is a reflection on her life and career, and offers insights into the creative process and the importance of storytelling.

Addonizio begins the book with her childhood in California. She describes her early love of reading and writing, and how she was encouraged by her parents to pursue her creative interests. She also discusses the challenges she faced growing up as a lesbian in the 1950s and 1960s.

In the second part of the book, Addonizio focuses on her career as a writer. She describes her early struggles to get published, and how she eventually found success as a poet and essayist. She also discusses her teaching career, and how she has helped countless students to develop their writing skills.

Throughout the book, Addonizio offers insights into the creative process. She emphasizes the importance of hard work, perseverance, and self-belief. She also discusses the role of intuition and inspiration in the creative process.

Here the Story is a beautifully written and inspiring memoir. Addonizio's honest and insightful reflections on her life and career will resonate with anyone who is interested in the creative process or the human experience.

### **Key Themes**

- The importance of storytelling
- The creative process
- The role of intuition and inspiration
- The challenges and rewards of being a writer
- The importance of perseverance and self-belief

#### **Reviews**

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- Publishers Weekly

"Addonizio's memoir is a must-read for anyone who is interested in writing, creativity, or the human experience. Her insights are both practical and profound, and her story is both inspiring and moving." - *Booklist* 

"Here the Story is a powerful and moving memoir that will stay with you long after you finish reading it. Addonizio's writing is beautiful and evocative, and her story is both heartbreaking and hopeful." - *The New York Times Book Review* 

#### **About the Author**

Kim Addonizio is an American poet, essayist, and writing teacher. She is the author of nine books of poetry, including *The Philosopher's Club*, which was a finalist for the National Book Award. She has also written two books of essays, *Ordinary Genius* and *Here the Story*.

Addonizio has taught writing at the University of California, Berkeley, the University of San Francisco, and Mills College. She is currently a professor of creative writing at the Pacific University MFA program.

Addonizio's work has been praised for its honesty, insight, and wit. She is a gifted storyteller who has the ability to connect with readers on a deep level.

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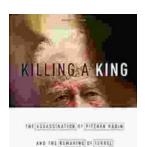


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