

## 2012 Challenge Strategy

Well, while I'm doing MilHalfy, so by definition I'm also doing MilWordy. In addition I'm reading a ton of books and wanting to learn a language or two.

### Prep

- Analyze *In Which There Is Edward* and plot out the beginning bits. Understand characters better.
- Plot NaNo Swap with Momoka
- Finish reading 150 books (137/150 currently)
- Reach 350k by December for MilHalfy
- Make Spreadsheet for MilWordy
- Plan Weekly Series

### Year Round

- Write 366 dictionary entries for conlang (I've spread them out)
- Write 366 short stories (I've spread them out)
- Read 150 books (I've spread them out)-- at least 5 books in French, at least 26 books in Romanian. Read *Don Quijote* in Spanish.
- Write Your World Challenge (read at <http://wywamino.blogspot.com> !)— 490-510 words a day about the world around me
- Weekly Series in a Year
- Stringing Words
- 52 Hard Truths — Write one hard truth about yourself every week and share it with someone.
- 365 Hard Truths — Write one hard truth about one of your characters a day... you can show the backlash if you want.

### Reading Challenges

- Read at least one book in a foreign language (French, Spanish)
- **Prove the BBC Wrong!** Read all the books you can on the BBC list (modified from reading them all because I may not be able to buy all of them. \*Sigh\*)
- **Reading Round the World** Pick at least 10 countries and read at least one book from each
  - a. *The Three Musketeers*, *Madame Bovary* — France (reading *Musketeers* in French, if I find *Madame Bovary* in French I'll read that too.)
  - b. Dostoevsky/ Asimov/ other Russian writers — Russia (not sure which books yet. There's a lot, and I like them.)
  - c. *Wuthering Heights*, *Agnes Grey*, *Shirley* — England (Brontë sisters rule.)
  - d. *Romance of the Three Kingdoms*, *Journey to the West*, *The Confessions of Confucius* — China
  - e. *The Ramayana*, *Kamasutra* — India

- f. *Tale of Genji* — Japan
- g. *The Odyssey, The Republic* — Ancient Greece
- h. *The Epic of Gilgamesh* — Mesopotamia (we think)
- i. *Adventures of Pinocchio* — Italy
- j. *Don Quixote* — Spanish

**Note:** "Write a 50k novel" is the least important of all the challenges, since I already know I can do it. Novels may be spread out over a couple of months if necessary. It will be an exercise in PATIENCE.

### January

- NaNoSwap with Momoka— write at least 50k on this.
- 31 dictionary entries for conlang
- 31 short stories
- Rewrite NaNo'09: *In Which There Is Edward* (also find a better title)
- Read 13 books. (1 French)

### February

- FAWM: Write 14 songs in February.
- 29 dictionary entries for conlang
- 29 short stories
- Write a 50k novel (*Confusion and Red Heads*)
- Read 11 books. (2 Romanian) *24 total*
- 29 Days of Scenes — Write 1 random scene a day

### March

- NaNoEdMo: 50 hours of editing on *Princess Winnipeg*
- Write a 50k novel
- 31 dictionary entries for conlang
- 31 short stories
- Read 13 books (1 French) *37 total*
- Create A Civilization Month — (Indir)

### April

- Script Frenzy: Write 100 pages of script. <- I dread this with all my being. BUT I SHALL PREVAIL!
- 30 dictionary entries for conlang
- 30 short stories
- NaPoWriMo: Write a poem a day for the month of April.

- Write a 50k novel
- Read 12 books (2 Romanian) *49 total*

### May

- NEPMo: Write 5,000 lines of epic poem.
- Story-A-Day: Write a short story every day in May.
- 31 short stories
- 31 dictionary entries for conlang
- Write a 50k novel
- Edit *The Blood Feud*
- Read 13 books (1 French) *62 total*

### June

- Write a 50k novel (I don't think there's any Camp NaNo in June. If there is, I'll be participating)
  - Fulfills requirements for:
    - WriDaNoJu
- 30 short stories
- 30 dictionary entries for conlang
- Read 12 books (2 Romanian) *76 total*

### July

- LoCoWriMo: Write at least 5k of story in a conlang
- 31 dictionary entries for conlang
- 31 short stories
- Camp NaNoWriMo (JuCaNaNo)
- Edit *Revenge and Grey China*
- Read 12 books (1 French) *88 total*

### August

- 31 dictionary entries for conlang
- 31 short stories
- Camp NaNoWriMo: continuing the novel from JuCaNaNo'12 (AuCaNaNo)
- Read 13 books (2 Romanian) *101 total*
- Profile Your Writing Proces: Write a post a day about your writing process all month long.

### September

- 30 dictionary entries for conlang

- 30 short stories
- POSSIBLY 3 Day Novel Contest
- Write a 50k novel
- Edit *Secrets and Green Eyes*
- Read 12 books (1 French) *113 total*
- Setting a Day

### **October**

- 31 dictionary entries for conlang
- 31 short stories
- Write a 50k novel
- Read 13 books (2 Romanian) *126 total*

### **November**

- NaNoWriMo— Write a 50k novel
- 30 dictionary entries for conlang
- 30 short stories
- Edit *Confusion and Red Heads*
- Read 12 books *138 total*
- 30 Day Blog Q/A: Have friends and family submit questions about a specific topic that you can answer every day on your blog.

### **December**

- International Story a Day Group: Write a short story a day.
- 31 dictionary entries for conlang
- 31 short stories
- Read 12 books *150 total*