

# **I have drafted several picture book stories using the same character. Should I submit multiple manuscripts, or do I submit only one manuscript (perhaps with a mention of other stories for a series)?**

Q: I have drafted several picture book stories using the same little boy character (approx. 300-500 words) and am working to finish them to be submitted to publishers. They are not sequential. I'd like to know if I should submit multiple manuscripts in one mailing so editors can see the scope? Or do I submit only one manuscript (perhaps with a mention of other stories for a series)?

According to Susan Cohen, a literary agent at Writer's House, "It could go either way. The author could send just one and say there's a second story with the same character—or, since they might like one more than the other, just send both—especially since they're so short." I was inclined to suggesting you send both for the same reason. 7:8/04