Helpful Books for Writers

Here's a list of the how-to books that have found a home on my own bookshelf.

Children's Writer's Word Book by Alijandra Mogilner (second edition, 2006, Writer's Digest Books)

Children's Writer's and Illustrator's Market (annual volume, Writer's Digest Books)

Platform: Get Noticed in a Noisy World by Michael Hyatt (2012, Thomas Nelson)

Self-Editing for Fiction Writers by Renni Browne and Dave King (second edition, 2004, HarperCollins)

The Christian Writer's Market Guide (Jerry B. Jenkins/Christian Writers Guild, annual volume, Tyndale)

The Complete Idiot's Guide to Publishing Children's Books by Harold D. Underdown (third edition, 2008, Penguin)

The Way to Write for Children: An Introduction to the Craft of Writing Children's Literature by Joan Aiken (revised edition, 1998, St. Martin's Griffin)

Thinking Like Your Editor: How to Write Great Serious Nonfiction—and Get It Published by Susan Rabiner and Alfred Fortunato (2003, W. W. Norton)

Writing Picture Books: A Hands-On Guide From Story Creation to Publication by Ann Whitford Paul (2009, Writer's Digest)

Writing It Write! How Successful Children's Authors Revise and Sell Their Stories by Sandy Asher (2009, Writer's Institute)

Yes! You Can Learn How to Write Beginning Readers and Chapter Books by Nancy I. Sanders (2012)

You Can Write Children's Books, by Tracey E. Dils (second edition, 2009, Writer's Digest)