

TWO ARE BETTER THAN ONE - OR ARE THEY?

Who should you collaborate with?

- A friend who shares your passion about the subject
- A professional to bring more credibility to the table
- Someone who has studied the subject professionally
- Someone who has lived through similar experiences

When coauthoring, always

- Have respect and tolerance for your author and her lifestyle and routine
- Be clear and flexible about your expectations
- Be willing to give and take—it may not always be 50/50
- Support your coauthor in all ways
- Understand the boundaries of your agreement

Coauthoring is a great way to write!

Why should you consider writing with a coauthor?

- Time – sharing the work with someone else cuts your work time in half (or however you decide to split up the work)
 - Eliminates isolation — you always have someone to bounce ideas off of and to make decisions with
 - May add an authoritative source — author credentials add credibility to your work
 - Erases your dead zones and combines strengths of both authors
 - Brings more brain power to the table
 - It's fun— enjoy working and brainstorming with each other

The Two Lindas of Personality have collaborated on five books so far and would agree you should give it a try. You may not only find a good writing partner that you work well with, you might just make a lifelong friend!

