

Freedom's Just Another Word (for Nothing Left to Lose) Discussion Outline

1. Introduction of the three presenters: Kathryn Locey, Lorraine López, Lynn Pruett
2. Presenters frame the question of protecting freedom and safety in the writing workshop by sharing experiences and strategies. Discussion topics will include experiences of dealing with ageism, racism, sexism, religious and political polarization.
3. An open discussion for attendees to offer thoughts, experiences, and ideas for handling ideological conflicts within a creative writing workshop.

Sample questions:

What ideological conflicts have you confronted in the writing workshop?
How have you handled such topics effectively?
What have you learned from these experiences?

4. The session will culminate with writing prompts in three genres, geared toward developing the power of imaginative empathy.

Kathryn Locey: poetry
Lorraine López: fiction
Lynn Pruett: nonfiction