

24-Hour Book 2011

The difficult second book



24-hour book is part of the



DSC South Asian
Literature Festival

Once upon a time...

In 2009 a crack commando unit of writers and editors were locked in a London office tasked with publishing a book in 24 hours. These men and women promptly produced a unique work of fiction – *A Vauxhall Chorus* – before returning to the publishing underworld.

Today, still writing, proofing and editing books, they survive as publishers of fortune, now tasked with their biggest literary challenge yet... the difficult second book.

Their mission

To co-ordinate a group of experienced writers and publishers across two major international cities – London and Delhi – working together to write and edit a new South Asian-themed story from scratch in just 24 hours.

On Saturday 8th October writers armed with just their imaginations, a lot of digital ink, and an industrial quantity of coffee, will commence the writing process. Then, on Sunday 9th October a group of volunteer editors will move in to make the story ready for publication in the final 12 hours.

The book will be printed using the latest print-on-demand technology and published under a Creative Commons license.

Available to buy by the end of the DSC South Asian Literature Festival, with all proceeds going to Room to Read, a charity that encourages literacy and access to reading material by distributing books throughout the world.

All proceeds of book sales to Room to Read



Sounds like fun, right?

If you would like to get involved with making the book, and are an experienced writer, proofreader, copy-editor or typesetter (or a combination of the above), we want to hear from you!



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12 HOURS WRITING • 12 HOURS EDITING • 1 NIGHT PRINTING • 1 SMALL OFFICE IN LAMBETH • 148 PAGES • 14 WRITERS • 17 EDITORS • 42 ONLINE CONTRIBUTORS • 261 TWEETS • 843 CUPS OF COFFEE • 774,652 KEYSTROKES • 1 HELL OF A LAUNCH PARTY!