## Decentralized digital book marketplace

CURRENT STATE



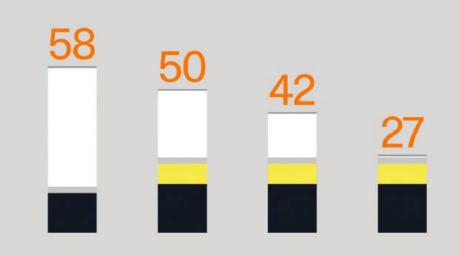




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## Book market is a scam, authors get screwed

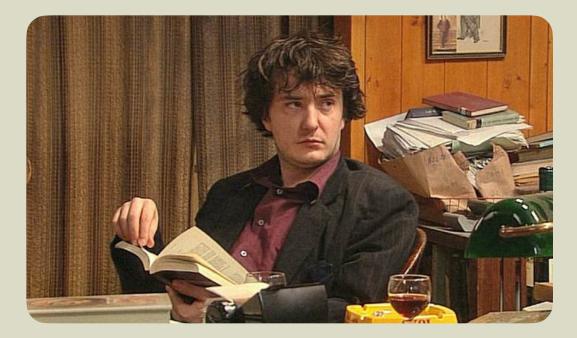




Authors only receive **10-15%** of the revenue when working with traditional publishers. **Up to 30%** with self-publishing platforms.

Authors have no clear insight into how their books are performing — just one number on an invoice.

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AUTHOR  $\longrightarrow$  AGENTS  $\rightarrow$  SCOUTS  $\longrightarrow$  PUBLISHER PRINT  $\longrightarrow$  BOOK RETAILERS

It's nearly impossible to reach publishers due to an unclear book selection process and long wait times. is unnecessarily loooo-00000000ng.

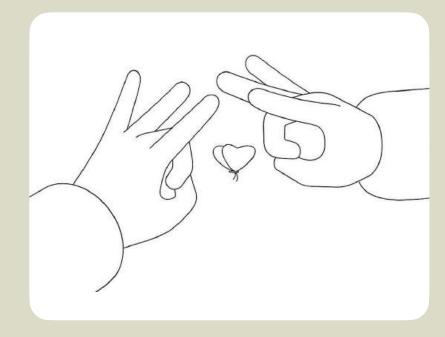




# Big players are a part of the problem



Even though Amazon offers up to 70% royalties in some markets, with publisher restrictions on price and discounts, that money still goes to the publisher, who takes its cut.



When selling digitally, authors not only deal with the usual intermediaries but also face exorbitant sales commissions from Apple and Google.



There's a lack of transparency – digital services don't share accurate data on how, when, or who bought the book.



Publishers often fund high-profile author contracts by stretching out the rest of the market.



Authors have no control over pricing or print runs.





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Top websites by popularity in the US October 2024. Notice anything missing? Amazon, Barnes & Noble, or Kobo aren't on the list.

The book market is skewed, with traditional publishing controlling only the tip of the iceberg.

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## That's when we make our move

Written is here to fix the market, solve these key challenges, and help content creators make money.



No direct communication with readers: Authors are disconnected from their audience. There's no direct interaction, unlike platforms such as Patreon, Only Fans, or Boosty – except with a strong focus on ebooks and audiobooks.

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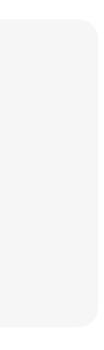
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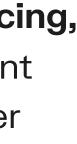
Lack of true digital ownership: Ebooks and audiobooks are sold with limited access publishers typically grant rights for a maximum of 7 years, as outlined in 99% of authorpublisher contracts.

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No control over sales, pricing, or communication: Content creators are powerless over how their works are sold, priced, or promoted.



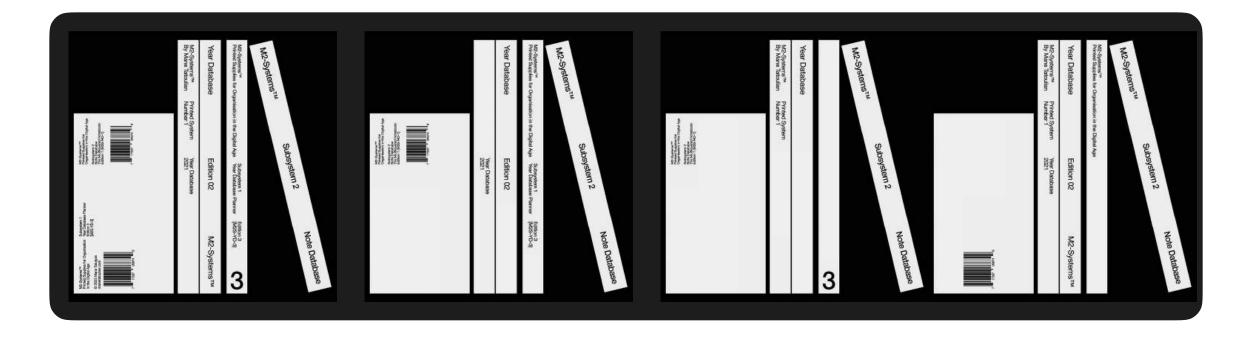




## We are here to create a new market



Content creators will always receive a share of the proceeds from their titles even sold second or third time.



The new market we're creating allows readers to become owners of their own digital bookshop. Instead of just buying access to books, readers can truly own their digital copies, building a personal collection they can manage, curate, and even lend or sell if they choose.

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Readers are also evolving into collectors, seeking rare ebook editions, while actively supporting authors in the process.





## Are we the first on this market?

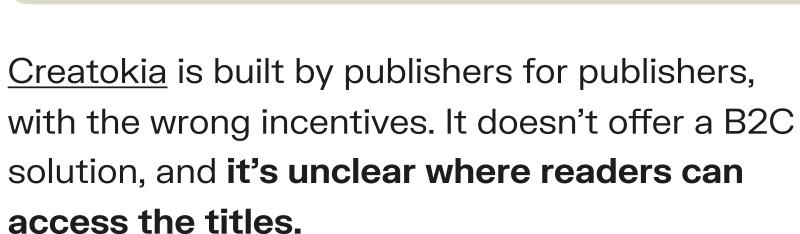


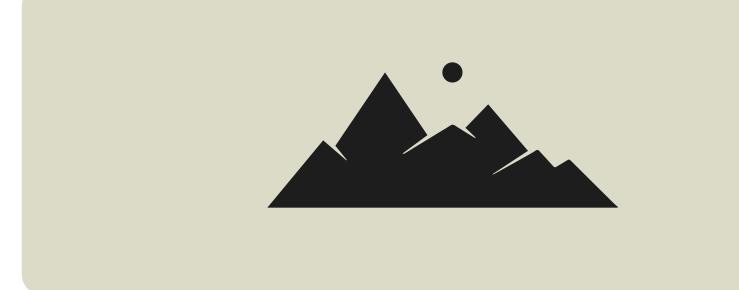
Honestly - not really even though we've planned 18 months.

It seems that no one has an app that works well and authors who are actually interesting.



book.io feels too "crypto" for the general public, with an unclear strategy. It's **designed for** publishers and traditional sales channels, lacking a focus on self-published authors and their audience.





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## Made for those who don't know what's web2 and web3

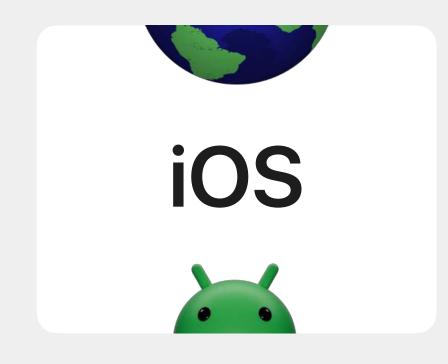
There are no shady cryptocurrencies involved in this project—only stablecoins. **Most authors and readers aren't familiar with crypto, and that's why it's crucial for authors to know exactly how much they'll earn, not just today, but always.** The same goes for readers and collectors—there's no risk of coin volatility when buying a rare USD 10,000 Stephen King edition.

We've made the onboarding process simple—no need for a preexisting wallet or crypto knowledge. **We'll set up non-custodial wallets for customers**, and they'll have the option to purchase content with a credit card.

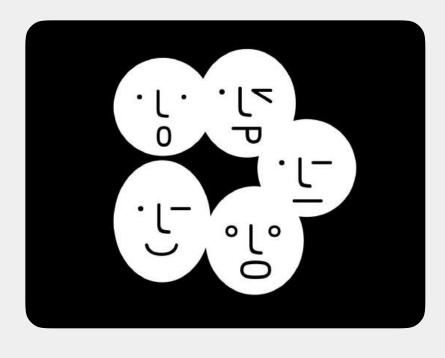
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## What's in the core of Written?

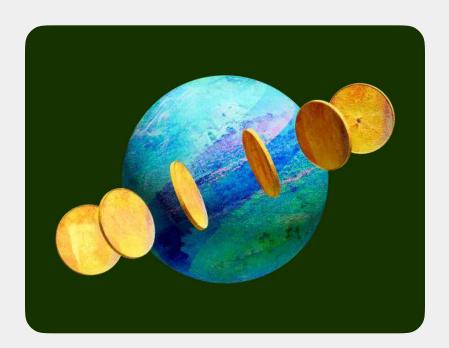


Written is a consumer app available on both Web and iOS / Android platforms.In order to keep content safe it's available only in the apps



Web3

as a way to ensure freedom, transparent transactions and direct author-to-reader trade. It is built using web3 tech, but designed for non-crypto-native users.



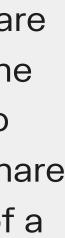
Authors can effortlessly publish and monetize their content, including limited edition book NFTs that can be resold, auctioned, or crowdfunded via smart contracts.



Readers are empowered by supporting their favourite authors directly and reselling or lending pre-loved titles, ensuring that the profits are shared with authors.



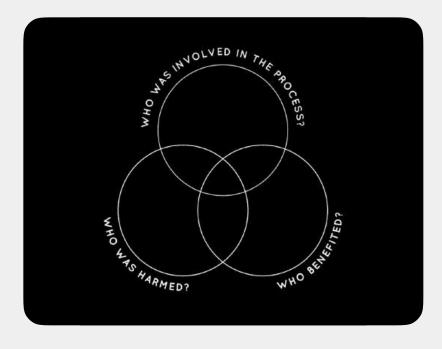
We as a company are willing to provide the best platform to do that, earning our share of money in form of a commission from every transaction.



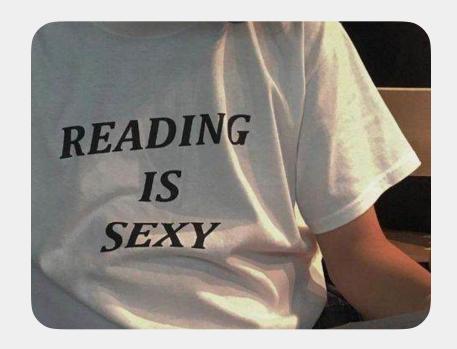
## Why authors need Written?



Authors will own their relationship with readers.

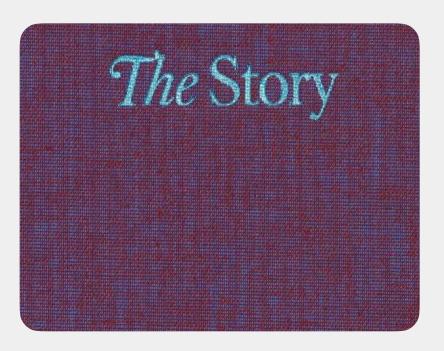


Authors will have **full** control over how to sell their work and set the price—no agents or publishers involved.



We're creating a dedicated platform for authors to engage directly with their audience – each author will have their own page with options to add text, videos, polls, and more.

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In future iterations, we will help authors publish content more easily with **AI-powered tools** for editing, proofreading, and cover generation.

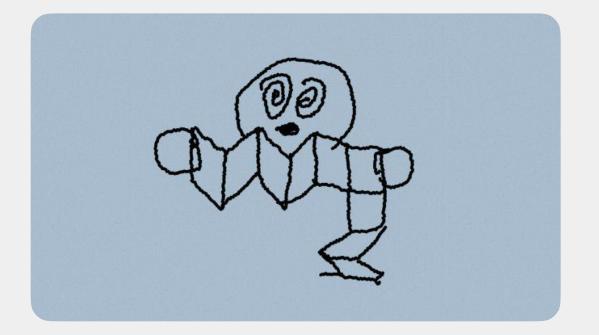


Full transparency on sales, resales, and revenue.

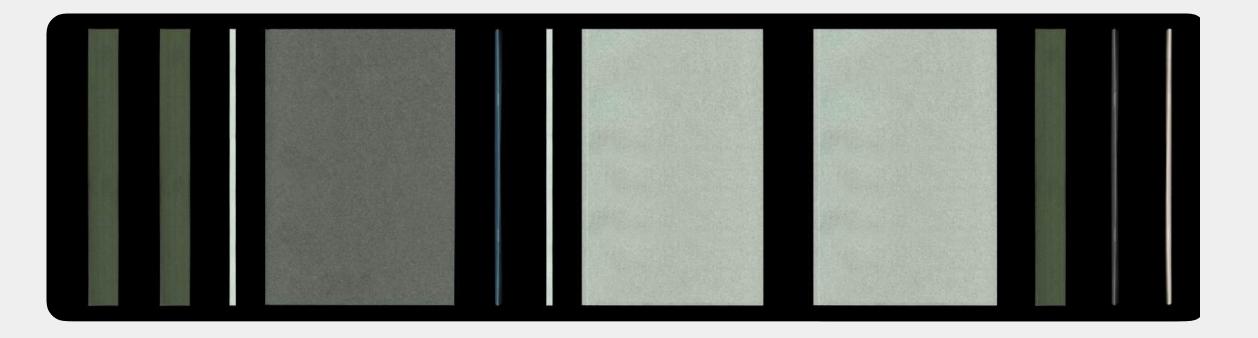




## Why readers need Written?



Readers will own their digital books, building a personal collection they can truly call their own.



Consumers / passive subscribers become the most active participants of the book trade: if you don't want to keep your book forever, sell it or lend it and earn money to buy your next book.



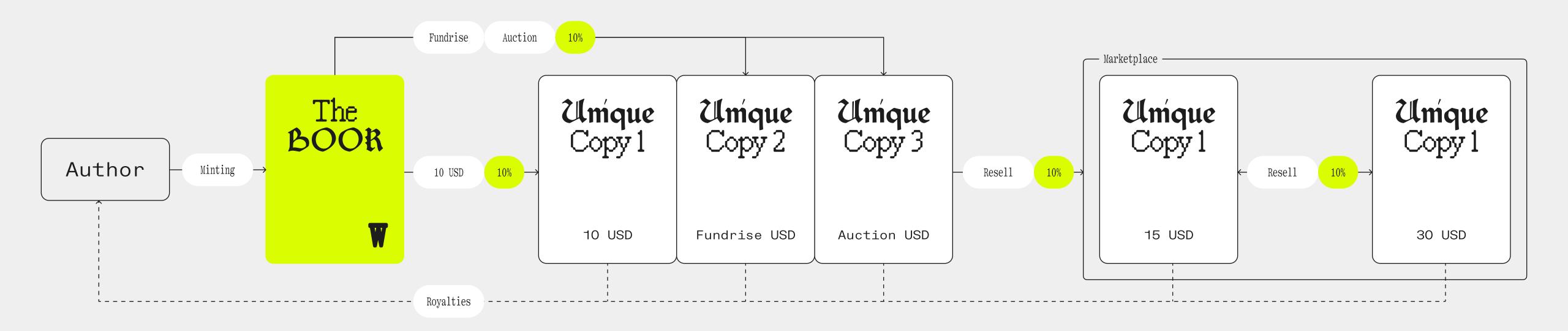
**No more middlemen** – readers can directly purchase from authors, supporting them without agents or publishers taking a cut.







## How we monetize 10% from every transaction?



We plan to move ownership of the platform to DAO that will have full financial control: **authors, readers and collectors will be invited to take part.** 

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We've raised 700K USD pre-seed round Q4 2024 to deliver the product. We are looking to raise 4M USD, in Q1 2025 to continue building and attract content creators



## All niches except books are occupied



Patreon



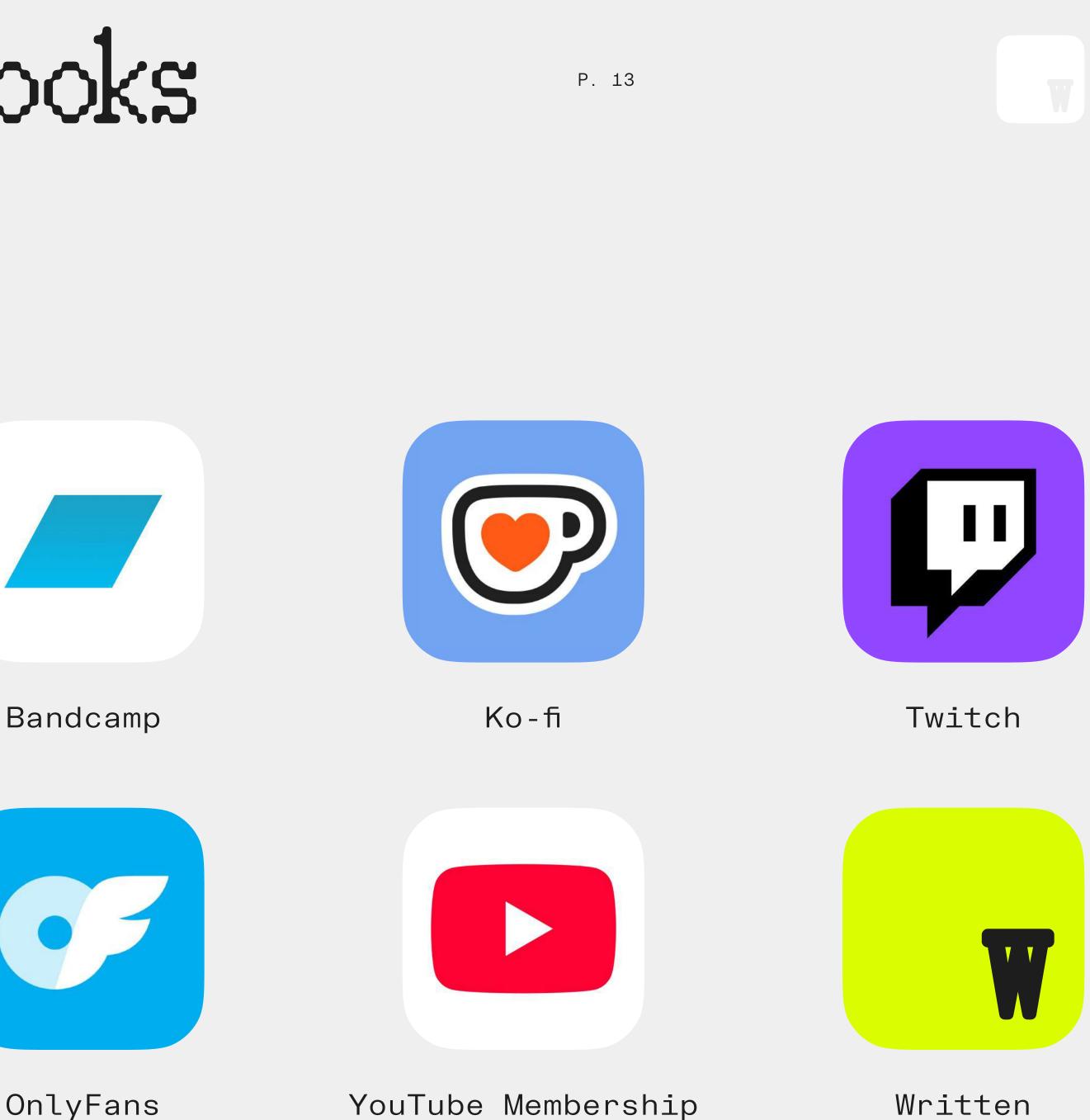
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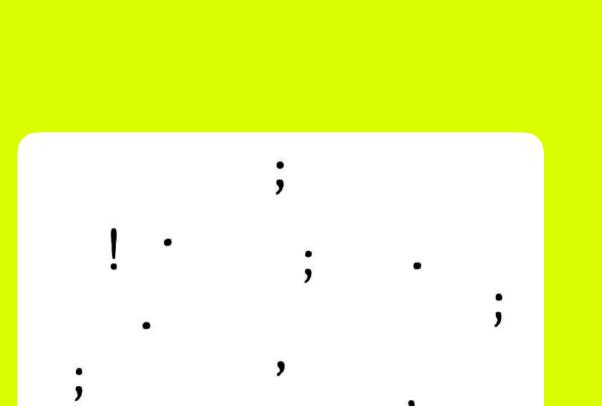
#### We've

achieved significant milestones: from the #1 reading app in the EU to publishing the best book in Mexico.



Written is built by a team with over 10 years of experience in the digital distribution of ebooks and audiobooks.

We're readers, authors, editors, collectors and booksellers. We're the design and the tech that encourages digital reading.



A common barrier for decentralized products is that users often need a deep understanding of specific protocols, experience with crypto. Our product needs to be simple, user-friendly, and accessible – no crypto knowledge required.



We're targeting a **new** audience for decentralized products, making the experience as straightforward and intuitive as possible.









## Current status and 'the roadmap"

GOAL

BETA TESTING STARTS IN FEBRUARY 2025. DONE

BEST-IN-CLASS READER FOR IOS/ANDROID

SPL TOKEN SMART CONTRACT FOR BOTH LIMITED AND UNLIMITED EBOOK SALES

ANTI-FRAUD ALGORITHM TO PREVENT THE UNAUTHORIZED PUBLISHING OF CONTENT



BEFORE FEBRUARY			AFTER FEBRUARY	
WEB-BASE	ED ADMIN PLATFORM FOR AUTHORS		FOR READERS-ENHANCE COLLECTION FEATURES FURTHER DEVELOP RESALE AND LENDING OPTIC	
WEB-BASE	ED MARKETPLACE FOR READERS		IMPLEMENT THIRD-PARTY API INTEGRATIONS, ALLOWING TITLES TO BE READ OR LISTENED TO IN OTHER APPS.	
SEAMLESS	S WALLET CREATION		INTEGRATE WITH EXISTING NFT MARKETPLACES	
SIMPLE F	FIAT AND CRYPTO ON / OFF RAMP		CONNECT WITH PRINT-ON-DEMAND PLATFORMS, ENABLING AUTHORS TO OFFER PRINTED VERSION OF THEIR BOOKS	
	FOR READERS TO RESELL / AUDIOBOOKS		OWN CONTENT PRODUCTION HOUSE	
IPFS STC	IPFS STORAGE INTEGRATION CONTENT FILE ENCRYPTION		EXPAND MONETIZATION OPTIONS FOR CONTENT CREATORS-TIPPING, AUCTIONS, FUNDRAISING, LIMITED EDITIONS WITH UNIQUE COVERS, LENDING, AND FRACTIONAL OWNERSHIP. REPEAT FOR AUDIOBOOKS	
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