

The new book

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I mentioned the possibility of a new book [a month ago](#).

As I said then, on 22 April I asked my wife and elder son (who was staying with us) whether I should write a new book. The conversation took place during our evening meal. They said I should.

Almost immediately after that conversation, I checked my emails while watching the early evening news programmes and was a little surprised to find a completely unsolicited invitation from a major publisher inviting me to write for them, or at least to discuss doing so.

Discussions then progressed, and I was asked to make a detailed proposal. That was submitted yesterday. In the twenty-six page submission, I outline an idea that I have never explored before in the way that I am now proposing to do.

My hope is that this publisher will say yes, but if they don't, the idea will go elsewhere. I like it. It's a story that, I think, will be worth telling, and which would not be told here. That's the reason for writing a book.