

# **Lynn Wright's Nine Rules for Successful Beauty and the Beast Fiction**

Fan fiction from both aspiring and experienced writers is welcome. However, all submissions are read critically. Editing is done by volunteers.

- 1) **Written material must be original and written by the person(s) submitting it.**
- 2) **Submissions will be edited if the writer wishes. It is highly recommended that they allow this. An editor is valuable to any writer, however experienced.**
- 3) **Any submissions requiring extensive changes – to grammar, spelling or syntax - will be returned to the author for repair or rewriting, whether or not the writer has asked for editing. Submissions are returned because the writer's work is not ready to be exposed to the public eye. It is no favor to an author if a posted work invites ridicule.**
- 4) **Editors do not edit style. Every writer's style is individual. That said, the style must be understandable to the editor, or it will not be understandable to other readers.**
- 5) **Editors cannot turn a bad story into a good one.**
- 6) **If you submit material in fancy fonts, with clipart, or graphics other than illustrations, they will be removed. Spacing between paragraphs is appreciated.**
- 7) **Writing is not a simple process. Good writing takes time and requires skill and organization. Writers become better with practice.**
- 8) **All writers need constructive criticism in order to improve. Serious writers know the value of an editor. An editor's comments are intended to assist, not discourage, a writer.**
- 9) **Develop a thick skin.**