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## 13th Time Is the Charm

You are a beloved published author, known for your best-selling fantasy novels. Just before your first book was published, you almost gave up because you had been rejected so many times. But on your 13th try, you were signed by a publisher! If you had given up after 12 tries, you never would have been published. In a journal entry to your younger (unpublished) self, give a reassuring pep talk about why it's important to be persistent and how the only logical thing to do is to keep trying—after all, you might succeed! Giving up is the only sure way to fail.