

Formatting e-Book for Writers

Resources

This list can be found at www.practicalinspirations.com/format_resources

Chapter 1

Project Guttenberg
<http://www.gutenberg.org/>

Chapter 3

Kindle Direct Publishing
<http://kdp.amazon.com>

iBook FAQs
<http://www.apple.com/itunes/working-itunes/sell-content/books/book-faq.html>

How to make Apple iPad and iPhone apps for ebooks (an overview of e-book apps)
http://www.sean.co.uk/a/journalism/create_apple_iphone_ipad_apps_for_ebooks.shtm

Electronic Sales to Bookstores by Dean Wesley Smith
<http://www.deanwesleymsmith.com/think-like-a-publisher-11-electronic-sales-to-bookstores/>

Amazon KDP Select Program
<https://kdp.amazon.com/self-publishing/KDPSelect>

Weighing the Pros and Cons of KDP Select by Alex Ressig
<http://ariaprime.com/blog/writers-blog/weighing-pros-cons-kdp-select/1003/>

Lending for Kindle
http://bitly.com/KDP_lending

Definition of piracy
<http://thelawdictionary.org/piracy/>
<http://legal-dictionary.thefreedictionary.com/piracy>

Authors: Piracy is Not Your Enemy by Thomas Umstadd
<http://www.authormedia.com/authors-piracy-is-not-your-enemy/>

How the Creative Commons Can Help Your Book Spread Like Crazy by Thomas Umstadd
<http://www.authormedia.com/how-the-creative-commons-can-help-your-book-spread-like-crazy/>

Does the Closure of Atavist Books Signal the End of Enhanced Ebooks? *Digital Book World*

http://bitly.com/interactive_books

Chapter 4

How to Publish and Sell Your Article on Kindle by Kate Harper

http://bitly.com/article_on_kindle

The Book Designers e-Book Cover Awards

<http://www.thebookdesigner.com/2014/11/e-book-cover-design-awards-october-2014/>

Smashwords

<https://www.smashwords.com/>

Library of Congress

<http://www.loc.com>

Copyright

<http://copyright.gov>

ISBN

<http://www.isbn.org>

Bowker's Books in Print

<http://www.bowker.com/products/Books-In--Print.html>

Chapter 5

Preschool: At What Cost? by Susan K. Stewart

<http://amzn.to/1LyIYnn>

Chapter 6

Nitro

<http://www.pdfword.com>

Word

Convert footnotes to endnotes and vice versa

http://bitly.com/convert_footnotes

Chapter 7

Word

Create or edit a table of contents

http://bitly.com/create_TOC

Chapter 9

Pictures on Kindle by Aaron Shephard
<http://amzn.to/1Y2J0Wz>

Gimp
<http://www.gimp.com>

Out and About at the Zoo by Jo Linsdell
<http://amzn.to/1Tp5SAD>

Kindle Kids' Book Creator
http://bitly.com/kid_book_creator

Amazon Kindle Publishing Guidelines
<http://kindlegen.s3.amazonaws.com/AmazonKindlePublishingGuidelines.pdf>

Chapter 10

KindleGen
<http://amzn.to/1Sjcv69>

Kindle Reading Apps
<http://amzn.to/1oQct9Z>

Chapter 11

How Much Should an Ebook Cost? by Seth Godin
<http://blog.bookmarket.com/2011/12/book-marketing-makeover-how-much-should.html>

10 Things to Consider when Pricing E-Books by Stephen Blake Mettee
<http://www.thewritethought.com/2011/08/27/10-things-to-consider-when-pricing-e-books/>

MailChimp
<http://eepurl.com/bSGaFH>

The Five Best Free Email Marketing Services
<http://www.theworkathomewoman.com/free-email-marketing/>

Hootsuite
<https://hootsuite.com/>

Buffer
<https://buffer.com>

Pay with a Tweet
<http://www.paywithatweet.com>

A Lawyer Who Is Also A Photography Just Deleted All Her Pinterest Boards Out Of Fear by Alyson Shontell

<http://www.businessinsider.com/pinterest-copyright-issues-lawyer-2012-2>

Getting Started with Pinterest by Laura Christianson

<http://bloggingbistro.com/getting-started-with-pinterest/>

How to Pinterest to Markey Your Book by Rob Eagar

<http://www.writersdigest.com/editor-blogs/there-are-no-rules/how-to-use-pinterest-to-market-your-book>

Goodreads

<http://www.goodreads.com>

Goodreads Beta Reader Group

<https://www.goodreads.com/group/show/50920-beta-reader-group>

World Lit Café

<http://www.worldliterarycafe.com>

World Lit Café Beta Readers & Critique Groups

<http://www.worldliterarycafe.com/forum/125>

What Are Beta Readers? And Do You Need Them? By Chuck Sambuchino

<http://www.writersdigest.com/editor-blogs/guide-to-literary-agents/questions-submitted-by-readers/what-are-beta-readers-and-do-you-need-them>

Peer Reviews: Seek Quality in Your Beta Readers, Not Quantity by Chuck Sambuchino

<http://www.writersdigest.com/editor-blogs/guide-to-literary-agents/peer-reviews-seek-quality-in-your-beta-readers-not-quantity>

How to find a beta reader by Belinda Pollard

<http://www.smallbluedog.com/how-to-find-a-beta-reader.html>

How to Blog A Book

<http://howtoblogabook.com>

Blessing ND

<http://www.blessingnd.com>

Not Marked Crowdfunding Campaign

<https://www.indiegogo.com/projects/not-marked/>

Smashwords Introduces Assetless Preorders

<http://blog.smashwords.com/2015/06/smashwords-introduces-assetless.html>

How To Choose Self-Publishing Distribution Options for Ebooks by Diana Horner
<http://selfpublishingadvice.org/reaching-readers-how-to-choose-self-publishing-distribution-options/>

Appendix 6

Google Adwords
<http://www.google.com/adwords/>

Appendix 7

Books

Amazon Kindle Publishing Guidelines (technical details needed for each Kindle device)
<http://kindlegen.s3.amazonaws.com/AmazonKindlePublishingGuidelines.pdf>

Building Your Book for Kindle (Windows and Mac version available)
<http://www.amazon.com/Building-Your-Kindle-Direct-Publishing-ebook/dp/B007URVZJ6>

Field Guide to Fixed Layout for E-books from Book Industry Study Group
[https://www.bisg.org/docs/FieldGuidetoFXL_v1.1_Final for Publication.pdf](https://www.bisg.org/docs/FieldGuidetoFXL_v1.1_Final%20for%20Publication.pdf)

Formatting Pages for Publishing on Amazon on CreateSpace by Chris McMullen
<http://amzn.to/1UB4dXZ>

Free by Chris Anderson
<http://amzn.to/24Dg1gH>

From WORD to EBOOK by Ben Mackin
<http://amzn.to/1UB4wBS>

Goodreads for Authors by Michelle Campbell-Scott
<http://amzn.to/1QNKaiN>

How to Blog a Book by Nina Amir
<http://amzn.to/1UBPImw>

Pictures on Kindle by Aaron Shepard
<http://amzn.to/1p16akz>

Smashwords Style Guide by Mark Coker
Smashwords Book Marketing Guide by Mark Coker
The Secrets to Ebook Publishing Success by Mark Coker
<https://www.smashwords.com/books/byseries/1>

Zen of eBook Formatting by Guido Henkel
<http://amzn.to/1p16AYi>

Zen of eBook Marketing by Guido Henkel
<http://amzn.to/1QNKRJ7>

Free online conversion services

Zamzar (multiple format options)
<http://www.Zamzar.com>

Nitro (Microsoft Office files to PDF)
<http://www.pdfword.com>

Online Convert (various formats to EPUB)
<http://ebook.online-convert.com/convert-to-epub>

Calibre
<http://calibre-ebook.com/>

E-book service companies

Bookbaby
<http://www.bookbaby.com>

E-bookit
<http://www.ebookit.com>

Lulu
<http://www.lulu.com/publish/ebooks/>

Publish Green
<http://www.publishgreen.com>

Smashwords
<http://www.smashwords.com>

E-book conversion services

Melinda Martin Publishing and Design Services
<http://www.melindamartin.me>

E-book Formatting Fairies
<http://e-bookformattingfairies.blogspot.com/>

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<https://itunespartner.apple.com/en/books/partnersearch>

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<http://thechristianpen.com/>

Christian Editor Connection
<http://christianeditor.com/>

Deb Haggerty
Freelance Editor
<http://www.positivegrace.com/>

Nicolas Nelson
Wordsmith Writing Coaches
<http://www.wordsmithscoaches.com>

Kristen Stieffel
Writer • Editor • Mentor
<http://kristenstieffel.com>

John Vonhof
Writers & Authors on Fire
<http://www.WritersAuthorsOnFire.com>

Linda W. Yezak
Writer/Editor
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<https://pixabay.com/>

Mama Red Knight

List of free images

<http://mamaredknight.com/images-for-your-social-media-posts-and-projects/>

Paid

Dreamstime

<http://www.dreamstime.com/>

iStockPhoto

<http://www.istockphoto.com/>

Marketing services

ClickBank

<http://www.clickbank.com>

e-junkie

<http://www.e-junkie.com>

Payloadz

<http://www.payloadz.com>

List of lists

Bookmarket

eBooks Production and Distribution

<http://www.bookmarket.com/ebooks.htm>

Digital Book World

InDesign to Ebook: Resources

<http://www.digitalbookworld.com/2011/indesign-to-ebook-resources/>

E-book Conversion

This is a long list of resource divided not just by topic, but also by platform.

http://wiki.mobileread.com/wiki/E-book_conversion

Helpful websites

Creative Commons

<http://www.creativecommons.org>

E-bay e-product policies

<http://pages.ebay.com/help/policies/downloadable.html>

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<http://www.jedisaber.com/eBooks/formatsource.shtml>

W3Schools

<http://www.w3schools.com/html/>

HTML Dog

<http://htmldog.com/guides/html/beginner/>

A Simple Guide to HTML Cheat Sheet

<http://www.simplehtmlguide.com/cheatsheet.php>

Clean Up Your Ebook Files With HTML

<http://blog.janicehardy.com/2014/08/clean-up-your-ebook-files-with-html.html>

Word Help

Style Basics

http://bitly.com/word_styles

How to Apply Microsoft Word Styles (tutorial)

<http://www.word-tips.com/microsoft-word-styles.html>

Keyboard Short Cuts for Styles

<http://pcmcourseware.com/apply-heading-styles-in-word-using-the-keyboard/>

Word Learning Zone

Microsoft Word: Styles (YouTube)

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_Xq_DVYxMOo

Password protect Microsoft office files

http://bitly.com/password_protect

Interesting articles

10 Formatting Tips for Nook (EPUB)

<http://bentrubewriter.wordpress.com/2013/07/11/10-formatting-tips-for-the-nook-epub/>

10 Things to Consider When Pricing E-books

<http://thewritethought.com/blog/index.php/2011/08/27/10-things-to-consider-when-pricing-e-books/>

10 Questions to Ask Before Committing to Any E-Publishing Service

<http://janefriedman.com/2012/02/10/10-questions-epublishing/>

A New And Improved, Even Easier Way To Format Your E-Book

<http://bitly.com/easy-way-to-format>

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<http://blog.smashwords.com/2012/04/can-ebook-data-reveal-new-viral.html>

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<http://electricbookworks.com/kb/simple-ebook-operational-issues/checking-ebooks/>

Comparison of e-book formats

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Comparison_of_e-book_formats

Digital Rights Management and Privacy

<https://epic.org/privacy/drm/>

DRM

<https://www.eff.org/issues/drm>

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<http://bitly.com/ebook-cost>

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<http://www.theguardian.com/books/2012/jun/06/become-an-ebook-superstar>

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<http://thefutureofink.com/pros-and-cons-of-drm/>

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<http://bitly.com/DRM-pros-cons>