

KDP Formatting Prompts

Use after the final interior PDF and cover image or cover prompt are ready.

Key points

- These prompts help check KDP upload readiness.
- They do not upload the book to KDP.
- They do not guarantee approval.
- They should not rewrite content or redesign the cover.

Clean prompts. No fake claims. No file changes unless the prompt says so.

1. Rules Before KDP Formatting Checks

Use these prompts after the final book assets exist. The GPT can inspect files and help identify formatting risks. It should not guess about missing KDP settings.

Key points

- Allowed: check page size, page count, margins, bleed risk, cover inputs, certificate file, and upload readiness.
- Allowed: create a formatting checklist or explain KDP Previewer warnings.
- Not allowed here: rewrite worksheets, change answers, change page order, or redesign the cover.
- If KDP shows an error, paste the exact error text into the chat.

Do not claim guaranteed KDP approval. Use KDP Previewer and official KDP pages before publishing.

2. KDP Formatting Menu

Use option 11 when you want a full upload-prep review in one response.

FORMATTING MENU PROMPT

Do you want me to check KDP formatting readiness for this book?

1. Interior PDF readiness check
2. Trim size, bleed, and margin check
3. No-bleed interior check
4. Final page count check
5. Certificate upload check
6. Cover calculator input checklist
7. Cover file readiness check
8. Back-cover text placement prep
9. KDP upload checklist
10. KDP Previewer issue follow-up
11. All of the above
12. No, I am done

This menu asks for checks and prep only. It does not publish the book.

3. Full Upload-Prep Review Prompt

ALL FORMATTING CHECKS PROMPT

Run a full KDP upload-prep review for this finished book.

Check the final interior PDF and final cover direction.

Do not edit either file.

Do not rewrite content.

Do not guarantee approval.

Check:

1. Interior PDF readiness
2. Trim, bleed, and margin risks
3. Page count
4. No rogue or blank pages
5. Certificate file handling
6. Cover calculator inputs
7. Cover readiness
8. KDP upload checklist

Return a clear pass/fail report and the next safest step.

4. Interior PDF Readiness Check

INTERIOR READINESS PROMPT

Check my final interior PDF for KDP readiness.

Do not rewrite the content.

Do not change answers, page order, activity types, title, subtitle, or certificate choices.

Inspect the file only.

Check:

1. Page size
2. Page count
3. Portrait orientation
4. Empty or rogue pages
5. Cut-off text or clipped boxes
6. Missing answer key pages
7. Certificate page handling
8. Black-and-white or color consistency

Return a clear pass/fail checklist.

If something fails, explain the issue and the safest next prompt to use.

5. Trim, Bleed, And Margin Check

TRIM, BLEED, AND MARGIN PROMPT

Check whether this interior PDF appears ready for the selected KDP trim setup.

My intended trim size is: [ENTER TRIM SIZE]

My intended interior type is: [black-and-white / color]

My intended bleed setting is: [no bleed / bleed]

Do not change the book content.

Check page size, safe margins, edge content, and visible bleed risk.

Do not guess if the file does not provide enough information.

Return only the issues found and the recommended next step.

6. No-Bleed Interior Check

NO-BLEED PROMPT

Check whether this interior PDF should be treated as a no-bleed interior.

Do not edit the PDF.

Look for graphics, borders, backgrounds, certificates, or lines that touch the page edge.

Confirm whether every page keeps content safely inside the page area.

If anything appears too close to the edge, list the page numbers and describe the risk.

Do not change content unless I ask for a formatting-only correction.

7. Final Page Count Check

Cover size depends on the final interior page count. Do this before creating a full paperback cover wrap.

FINAL PAGE COUNT PROMPT

Check the final page count for this book.

Do not edit the PDF.

Report the total page count.

Report whether the count is even or odd.

List any blank pages, rogue pages, or unexpected pages.

Confirm whether the cover calculator should use this page count.

If the count looks wrong, explain what to inspect next.

8. Certificate Upload Check

CERTIFICATE FILE CHECK PROMPT

Check the uploaded certificate file before adding it to the final PDF.

Accept only a finished certificate file.

Accepted formats: PDF, PNG, or JPG.

PDF is preferred.

The uploaded file must be one page.

The file page must fit the portrait book interior.

The certificate may have white space.

The certificate may be landscape-style artwork placed on a portrait page.

Do not crop, rotate, stretch, recolor, or place text over the certificate.

If the file is not suitable, tell me exactly why and ask for a corrected certificate or no certificate.

9. Cover Calculator Input Checklist

COVER CALCULATOR PROMPT

Prepare the information I need for the KDP Cover Calculator.

Use the final book details already approved.

Do not create or edit the cover file.

Do not guess missing KDP settings.

List these inputs:

1. Binding type
2. Interior type
3. Paper type
4. Page-turn direction
5. Measurement units
6. Interior trim size
7. Page count
8. Bleed setting
9. Cover finish

If any value is missing, ask for that value only.

10. Cover File Readiness Check

COVER READINESS PROMPT

Check whether my cover image or cover prompt is ready for KDP cover creation.

Do not edit the cover image.

Do not create a new cover unless I ask.

Check only for readiness.

Check:

1. Approved title is present
2. Approved subtitle is present if used
3. Author name is correct
4. Text is readable
5. No fake claims or prices are present
6. Cover can be used as the front cover direction
7. Full wrap still needs KDP cover calculator dimensions

Return a short readiness report.

11. Back-Cover Text Placement Prep

BACK-COVER PREP PROMPT

Prepare back-cover text for a future paperback cover wrap.

Use the approved title, subtitle, author name, grade, theme, and final book contents.

Do not place the text on the cover.

Do not edit the cover image.

Do not edit the interior PDF.

Write:

1. Short back-cover headline
2. Short back-cover paragraph
3. 5 benefit bullets
4. Simple closing line

Keep it short enough for a paperback back cover.

12. KDP Upload Checklist

KDP UPLOAD CHECKLIST PROMPT

Create a KDP upload checklist for this finished spelling quiz book.

Use only the approved book details.

Do not edit the PDF or cover image.

Do not guarantee approval.

Include checks for:

1. Interior PDF file
2. Cover file or cover calculator inputs
3. Title and subtitle consistency
4. Author name consistency
5. Trim size
6. Bleed setting
7. Interior type
8. Page count
9. Certificate choice
10. Description and listing copy
11. Previewer review

Return a simple checklist.

13. KDP Previewer Issue Follow-Up

PREVIEWER ISSUE PROMPT

I received this KDP Previewer warning or upload issue:

[PASTE EXACT KDP MESSAGE HERE]

Explain what it likely means.

Do not edit the PDF yet.

Do not rewrite content.

Tell me whether this is an interior issue, cover issue, trim issue, bleed issue, margin issue, page-count issue, or file issue.

Then give the safest next prompt to use.

14. Formatting-Only Correction Prompt

Use this only after a clear formatting problem is found.

FORMATTING CORRECTION PROMPT

Create a corrected KDP-ready version of the PDF only if this can be fixed without changing approved content.

Fix only this formatting issue:

[DESCRIBE THE EXACT ISSUE]

Do not change words, answers, page titles, page order, quiz format, grade level, theme, examples, activities, author name, website link, or certificate choice.

Do not redesign the book.

Export the corrected PDF again.

After export, report exactly what changed.

15. Final KDP Formatting Checklist

Key points

- Interior PDF exists and opens correctly.
- Page size matches the intended trim setup.
- Content is not cut off near the edges.
- Page count is final before cover sizing.
- Certificate choice is final.
- Cover calculator inputs are ready.
- Cover image or cover prompt is approved.
- No PDF or cover edits are still needed.
- KDP Previewer has been checked before publishing.

Sources checked: KDP trim, bleed, margins, print options, cover calculator, and paperback cover guidance.