

Tech Talk on Fridays

2024

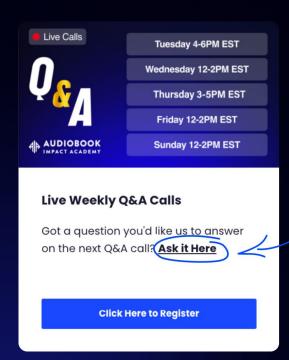
Common Tech Skills

First, we will prioritise the most important skills to be able to smoothly navigate the course

Average length: 15-25 mins.







Second, we will go through all questions submitted prior to today's call through the form in the AIA dashboard (Top 20).

Average length: 30-45 mins.

SPECIAL SEGMENTS

- Password Management
- How to Use Loom
- Using System Preferences
- Quiz
- Something else

Got a good idea for a segment?

Let us know!







Submit your questions live on the call in the Zoom Q&A field. We will pick the best questions to answer!



There are many students on this call, all at different points in their publishing journey. We receive many questions and do our best to choose the ones that are applicable and helpful to the majority of attendees on this call.

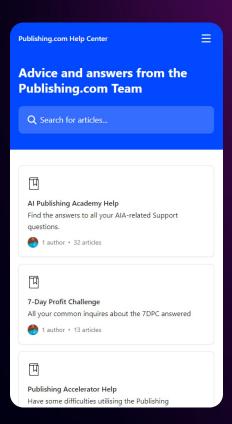
We would rather spend more time going deep into a good question rather than rushing from one question to the next. Therefore, we will pick and choose the best questions.



Visit our Help Center at help.publishing.com

- Account related (resetting password, Facebook group, etc.)
- KDSpy, Incognito, Chrome etc.
- 7 Day Publishing Challenge
- Pen names

In the Help Center, you will find clear answers (with videos) to all of these questions, so we will likely skip all questions related to these topics.



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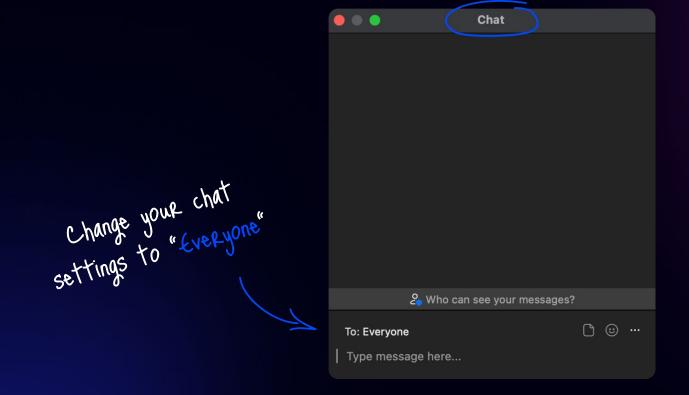
PS MONTHLY DISCOUNT

AIA students on Q&A calls get monthly discount codes from Publishing Services for various packages. New codes shared monthly which are **active all month**.



Students get 10% off Editing & Proofreading Package!





Tip of The Week



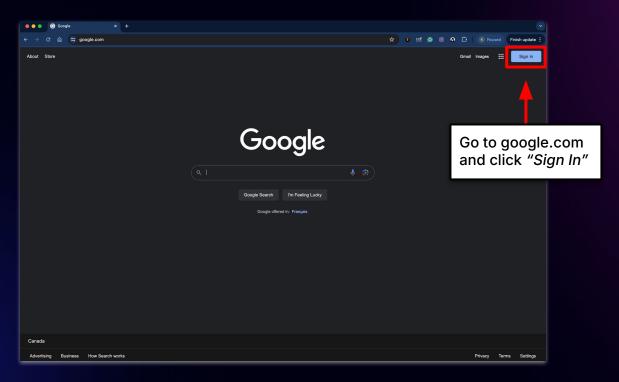
Keep your favorite applications in your bottom taskbar for PC or Dock Mac

Windows/PC: Once you open up a program, go down to the taskbar and right click the icon. Select Pin to Taskbar and it'll remain there once you close the program.

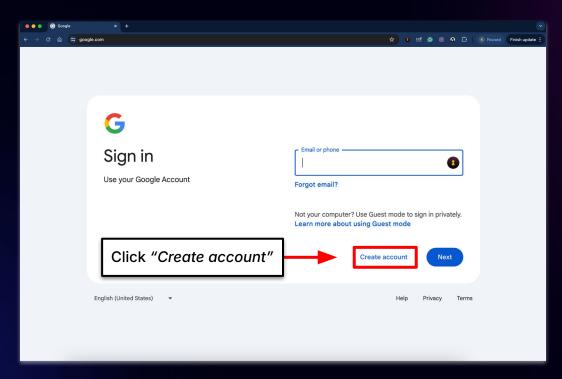
Mac: Right click the program you wish to keep in the dock, hover over options, then click Keep in Dock.



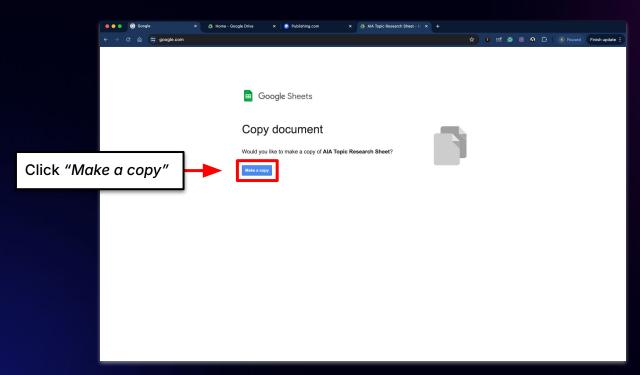
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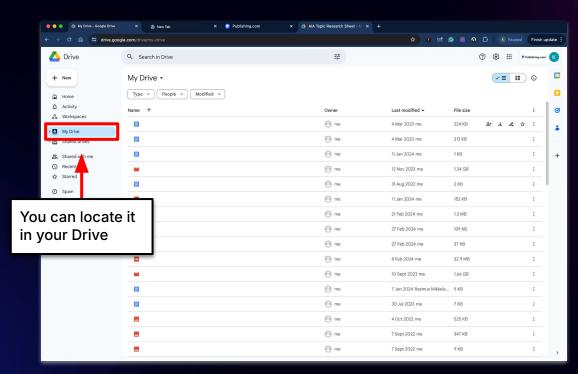
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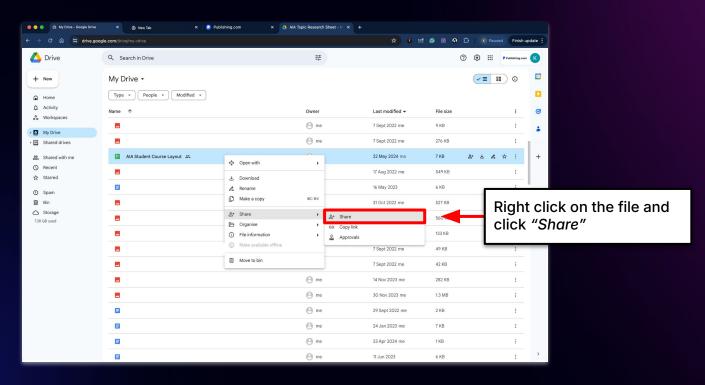
Using Your Google Drive



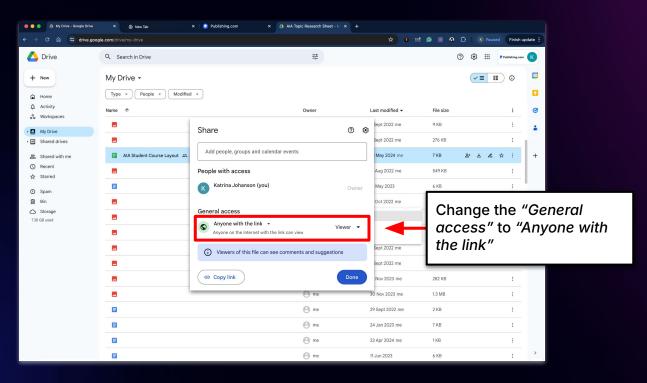
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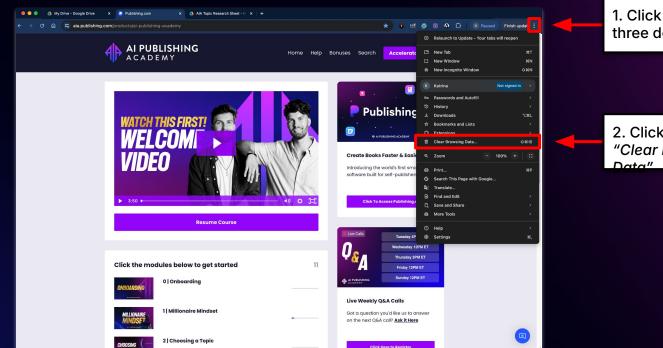
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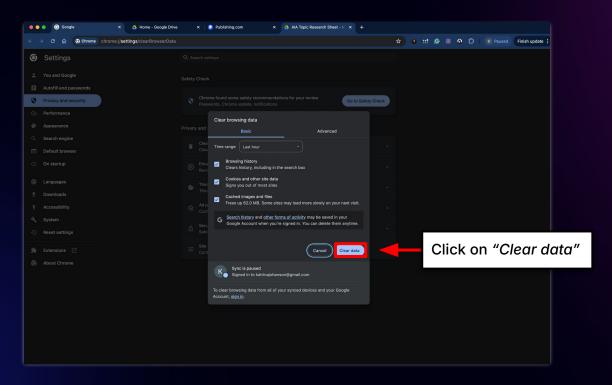
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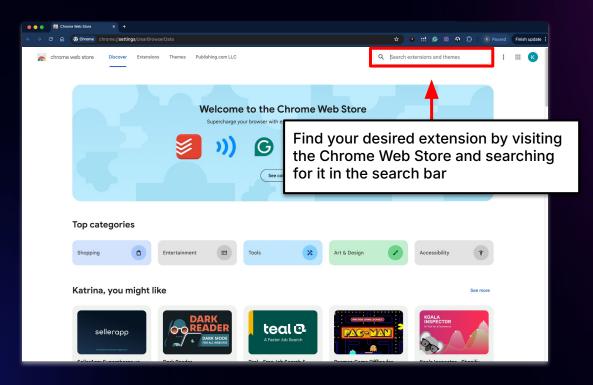


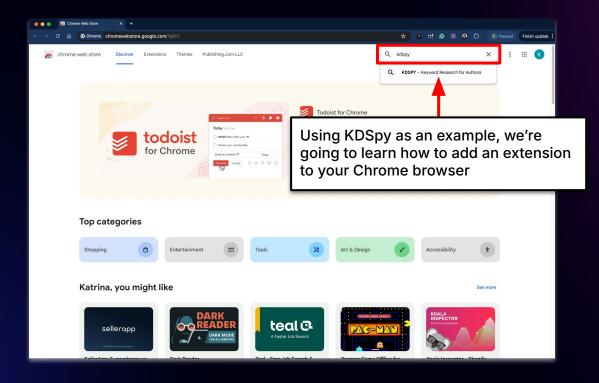
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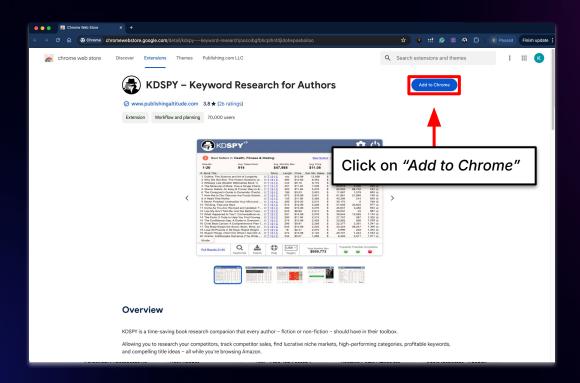
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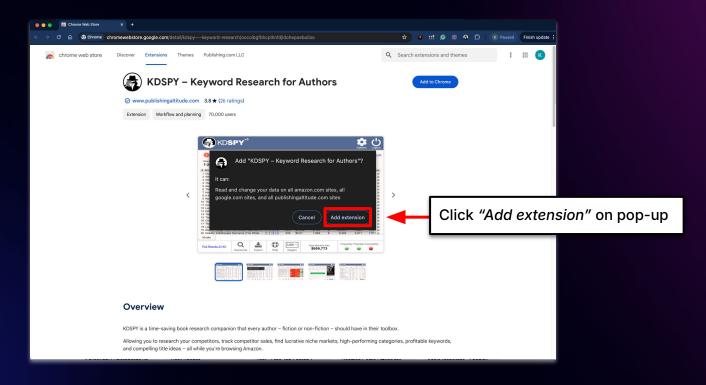
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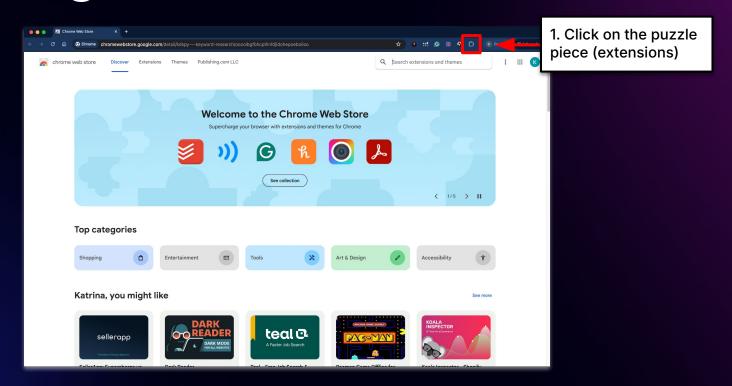


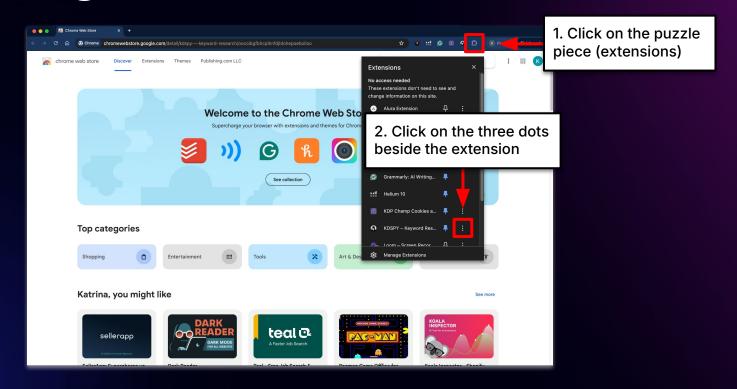


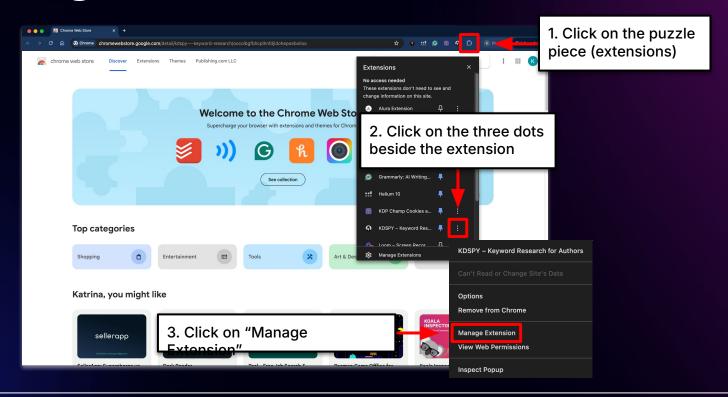


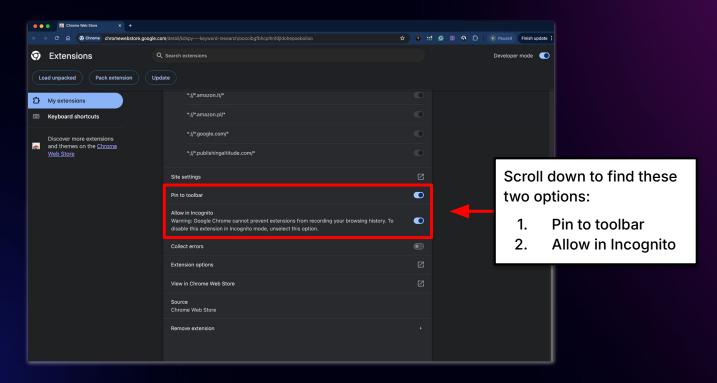




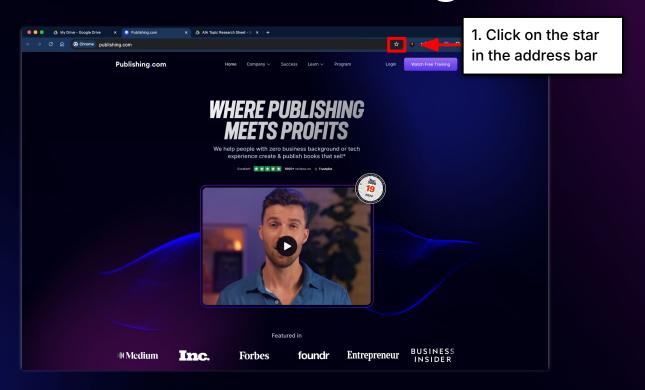




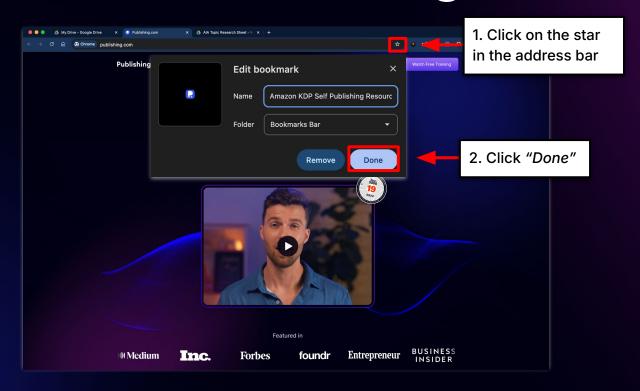




Bookmarking



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Deborah

In Module 5, FB Ads, the recommendation is \$5 per day. Does that limit the amount of people who click "send message" to 5 if each one costs \$1? How do I ensure that everyone who clicks "send message" gets through to me? Perhaps I misunderstood how this works. Please advise.

Linda

I made an author page on FB with my (make) pen name plus -Author. Will the private groups let me in?

Sibylle

Regarding title: Is it better to create a more specific title and define the audience (e.g. post-menopausal women) or keep it more general and try to address a larger audience, age group, etc.?

Margaret

- 1. When you send out the pdf copies of your book to early reviewers, how do you make sure no one steals your manuscripts, especially as we are instructed to send them out about 2 weeks before your book goes live on Amazon.
- 2. For the copy of your book sent to early reviewers, would you need to include the mid-book and end of book review pages? since there would be no active or real link, how would that be for the readers? would it not look odd?

Thanks

Cornelia

Generate wheel turns and turns for longer than 30 min, without a response. Why

pam

I just published my first book on KDP. It is live. I did this before my release date so I could finalize my review link (as recommended). On amazon when i put the title name and my pen name in the serach. bar it brings up the book but says the paperback is not available, only kindle version? I am wondering why when it says in KDP bookshelf it is live? What am I missing? Also, in Amazon if you click on 'look inside' it is pulling from the kindle version. was I suppose to do something else to populate this? or is this part of the issue that it is not available? not sure what to do?

pam

i submitted a previous question about my paperback not being available on amazon even though it's live - but i chatted with KDP help and they told me it can take up to 5 days to show up....so good to know! and i'll make sure its there in 5 days.

pam

my first book is live and i have a direct link code and QR code created. I want to update both the e-book and the paperback manuscripts with the codes on the mid-review and final review pages but I cant seem to figure out how? TUW wrote the book - did they do the e-book formatting?? I've confused myself! do i recontact them - the formatter to have them update it and send me a new file? And the paperback - I think I had publishing services do it - so again, contact them?? I thought i was organized but i am realizing I am not as good as I thought i was at keeping all the details organized!! please help! thank you

Patty

I did my POC a long time ago for eCommerce - now I have the manuscript ready but the topic doesn't meet POC anymore. I want to slightly tweak based on the content to make sure it sales

Silvia

Hi Coaches,

The table of content of my book is taking 3 pages but the I understand the general recommendation is to keep it between 1 to 2 pages; the only way to do this is to remove all subheadings and just keep the chapter titles, but then readers will not be able to look up specific sections. What is your take on this? Should I remove all subheadings to make the TOC fit in one page, or keep them in, even if it takes 3 pages?

Thanks!

Nikko

What has caused past students to be unsuccessful with publishing their first book?

Stacy

Do I need to get permission from a person I would like to acknowledge in my book please? Specifically, I am wanting to acknowledge my pastor. Thanks so much.

Sheryl

Hi Coaches:

We have a New Macbook Air.

When checking for plagiarism in Grammarly Premium, how do we add the reference links to the clipboard and then the manuscript.?

Joshua A.

I'm currently finalizing my outline. My main question is whether the titles of the chapters and subchapters, that are in the outline, have any real impact on the book. Obviously they will change how its worded in the manuscript, I'm referring more to if it will affect sales.

Thank you! I may not be able to attend in person due to work, but will watch the recording.

Artur

Can I have a personal account on amazon and run business?

Lorilee Lucas

If you are outsourcing the formatting of your book, how can you optimize page count and thereby, the printing costs when the minutia of decisions that affect this are out of your control?

Lorilee

For Friday Tech Q&A: For Facebook Ads, am I understanding correctly that it recommended to have 1 ad set with 2 ads (different images but same copy) for lead generation to help build your review team? And if so, can you add a 2nd ad to an active ad set that is currently running...or is it best to stop that ad set, duplicate it, and set up the two ads at the same time to run concurrently?

Caryl

re POC. The coaches present the same old examples of Chair Yoga for Seniors each time since I joined. 1) IS THIS A 30000 WORD book as prescribed? And why give an example which OBVIOUSLY needs diagrams/pics or videos to compete with the top POC books shown?? Explain that in any of your calls please!

Janet C.

Hello... So, I have recieved my QSA back & the review was great! But I just needed to tweak a few small things. Apparently my POC is no longer good at this time, but it was when I started so she said all is good since POC can fluctuate. But I just want to make sure I have the correct POC so I sent you a screenshot of my POC research sheet. My question is, is my POC Beginners gardening? Or Backyard gardening? I can't tell what the exact keywords would be? The QSA coach thought that it is beginners gardening so she recommended that I Change the title to "Beginners Guide to Backyard Vegetable Gardening" which I did. Can you please tell me if I did alright changing the title on my cover? Does it look good how I changed from "EASY Backyard Vegetable Gardening"? Thanks for your input.

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Janet C.

So, as mentioned in my previous question, my book no longer has POC at this time, but it definitely did when I started about 5 months ago. My question is, if I publish it now w/out POC, will the book go "stale" waiting for the POC to return? Idk if because it is a gardening book it needs to be launched in the springtime? Or is it ok to just put it out there now? My next books are going to be similar (Beginners Guide to Backyard Flower Gardening, Lawn Care, and Pool Maintenance) so idk if that makes a difference? Thanks for your help!

Janet C.

Last question (sorry so many, I was on vacation so I'm getting caught up now).

The other recommendation from my QSA was to "clean up" my formatting on my book. I sent my book out to 2 different people in fiverr. The 1st one was terrible communication & terrible work. So I tried another guy. Communication was much better, but the work AGAIN seemed to be sub-par! And now that the QSA coach has confirmed that the work was not great, what do you recommend I do? Pay ANOTHER \$100 for a NEW formatter & hope that HE gets it right? Or what? The 2nd formatter used Adobelllustrator as the software. The QSA coach recommended they use vellum. Can I go back to the 2nd formatter & tell him to use vellum this time or do I need to find someone new. The changes were nothing major, she just said it looks a little bit "smushed". I need for someone to know how to make it look good w/out needing to explain exactly HOW! (I think that for my next books I may just try & do it myself! I know how it should look, I just don't know HOW to actually DO IT! But will need to figure it out! Hiring someone is just too frustrating!!)

PS- my book is 7x9 trim size so I am not able to use "Publishing Services" since they do not do this size. Thanks for your help!

Debbie

I'm having trouble figuring out how to send questions for the Q&A's with pictures attached. Is it best to just copy the link? I'm hoping to get feedback in choosing my cover from 99Designs. Thanks!

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