

Book Production and Amazon Publishing Services Agreement

Editing | Cover Design | Interior Formatting | Amazon KDP Publication

This Agreement is entered into as of September 11, 2026, between Franklin the Helper® Children's Books, LLC, a Texas limited liability company (the "Company"), with a mailing address of 3000 Custer Road, Suite 270, PMB 343, Plano, Texas 75075, and David Ollie, the author accepting these terms through the accompanying Joatform (the "Client" and "Author"). The Company is providing book-production and Amazon KDP publication services. David Ollie remains the author, rights holder, and self-publisher of the Work.

1. Services Included

For one book project, the Company will provide the following services based on the manuscript and project specifications approved by the parties:

- Editing of the submitted manuscript for grammar, spelling, punctuation, clarity, consistency, and readability. Developmental rewriting, fact-checking, legal review, permissions research, indexing, translation, and sensitivity reading are excluded unless added in writing.
- Front and back cover design, including spine design when required for a print edition.
- Interior typesetting and formatting for one print edition.
- Preparation of publication-ready files and upload and publication of the Client-approved book through Amazon Kindle Direct Publishing (KDP).
- Printed proof copies, author copies, shipping, copyright registration, paid ISBNs, and other third-party charges are not included.

2. Client Materials and Responsibilities

- Deliver the complete manuscript in an editable Microsoft Word file, together with all images, captions, author biography, acknowledgments, back-cover copy, and other requested materials.
- Confirm that all supplied text, images, names, quotations, trademarks, and other content may lawfully be used and obtain any required permissions or releases.
- Review proofs carefully, consolidate feedback into one response per review round, and respond within seven calendar days unless the parties agree otherwise in writing.
- Make all final decisions about book content, pricing, categories, keywords, publication territories, and whether to publish.

The Client represents that the Work is original or properly licensed, does not knowingly infringe another party's rights, and is not unlawful or defamatory. The Client will defend and indemnify the Company against third-party claims arising from materials supplied or approved by the Client, except to the extent caused by the Company's unauthorized alteration or willful misconduct.

3. Fees and Payment Schedule

Payment	Due date	Amount
Initial payment	September 11, 2026	\$1,250.00
Final payment	November 1, 2026	\$1,250.00

The total service fee is \$2,500.00. The Company is not required to begin work until the signed Agreement, initial payment, and complete manuscript are received. The final payment is due on November 1, 2026, regardless of project stage, unless the parties amend the schedule in a signed writing. The Company may pause work for any overdue amount. No final files will be released, and the book will not be published or submitted for publication through Amazon KDP, until the full \$2,500.00 service fee and any approved additional charges have been paid.

4. Editing and Revision Process

The fee includes one edited-manuscript review round, one cover concept with up to two reasonable revision rounds, and one interior proof with up to two reasonable correction rounds. A revision round is one consolidated list of changes submitted at one time. Corrections to Company errors are not counted as Client revisions. New text, major restructuring, a new cover direction after approval, or piecemeal changes may require an additional written fee.

An approval is final once provided in writing, including by email. The Client is responsible for the final proofread and for confirming names, dates, quotations, page order, pricing, and all other content before publication. The Company is not responsible for errors the Client approved or failed to identify in the final proof.

5. Schedule and Client Delays

Any target date is an estimate unless the parties sign a separate guaranteed-delivery commitment. Timing depends on manuscript condition, project scope, Client response time, third-party availability, and Amazon review. The Company is not responsible for Amazon processing times, platform outages, rejected files, account verification, policy changes, or other matters outside the Company's reasonable control.

If the Client does not provide required materials, feedback, approval, or communication for 30 calendar days, the Company may place the project on inactive status. A \$600 reengagement fee may apply before scheduling resumes. If the Client remains unresponsive for 60 calendar days after written notice, the Company may close the project. Closure does not create a refund of amounts earned or costs incurred, and any remaining balance for completed work remains due.

6. Cancellation and Refunds

The Client may cancel by written notice to info@franklinthehelper.com. If the Client requests cancellation within 14 calendar days after the Company begins the publishing process, the Client will receive a refund of \$125.00, which equals 10% of the \$1,250.00 initial payment. The remaining \$1,125.00 of the initial payment will be retained by the Company. No refund will be provided after the 14-day period. Payments made toward work already completed, approved third-party expenses, or the final payment are nonrefundable. Any refund due will be issued within 21 calendar days, using the original payment method when reasonably available.

If the Company cancels the project without a breach by the Client, the Company will deliver completed work for which it has been paid and refund any amount paid for services the Company will not perform. If either party materially breaches this Agreement and does not cure the breach within 10 calendar days after written notice, the nonbreaching party may terminate the Agreement. Rights and payment duties accrued before termination survive.

7. Ownership and Limited License

The Client retains all copyright and publishing rights in the Client's manuscript and final book. The Client grants the Company a limited, nonexclusive license to edit, reproduce, format, design, transmit, and upload the Work solely to perform this Agreement. That license ends when the services are completed or this Agreement is terminated, except that the Company may retain archival records as required for business, legal, or backup purposes.

After full payment, the Client owns the final custom cover and interior files created specifically for this project, subject to any third-party font, stock image, template, software, or other license restrictions. Editable working files and native design source files are not included unless listed in a signed change order. The Client grants the Company a limited, nonexclusive, royalty-free right to use the Client's name, likeness, book title, cover, and brief excerpts solely to market the Company's services and showcase the completed project on the Company's website, social media, portfolio, presentations, and promotional materials. The Company may not sell or license the Client's name or likeness to an unrelated third party.

8. Amazon KDP Account ISBN Royalties and Platform Decisions

The Client will create, own, and maintain the Client's KDP account and will provide or enter all identity, tax, banking, and payment information. The Company will not own the account or receive the Client's royalties. The Client authorizes the Company to upload and publish the approved book through the Client's KDP account and agrees to provide the access, verification codes, approvals, and other cooperation reasonably required to complete publication. The Company will use account access only to perform the services under this Agreement and will not retain the Client's account credentials after publication is completed.

The Client chooses whether to use a free KDP ISBN, where available, or purchase an ISBN from Bowker or another authorized agency. Paid ISBNs and related fees are the Client's responsibility. Amazon alone controls account approval, content review, availability, printing, distribution, pricing tools, and continued platform access. Publication on Amazon does not guarantee sales, rankings, reviews, income, bookstore placement, or acceptance by any other retailer.

9. Copyright Registration and Legal Review

Copyright registration is not included. The Client is responsible for deciding whether and how to register the Work with the U.S. Copyright Office. Editing is not fact-checking or legal review. The Company does not provide legal, tax, accounting, or business advice.

10. Confidentiality and File Retention

The Company will use reasonable care to keep unpublished Client materials confidential and will disclose them only to personnel or contractors who need them to perform the services, as required by law, or with Client permission. The Client should retain independent backups of all materials. The Company may delete project files 90 days after completion or termination and is not a permanent storage provider.

11. Limitation of Liability

To the fullest extent permitted by law, neither party is liable to the other for indirect, incidental, special, exemplary, or consequential damages, including lost profits or lost sales. Except for unpaid fees, infringement or indemnity obligations, breach of confidentiality, fraud, gross negligence, or willful misconduct, each party's total liability arising from this Agreement will not exceed the amount the Client paid under it.

12. Dispute Resolution and Governing Law

The parties will first attempt in good faith to resolve any dispute through direct discussion. If unresolved, either party may request nonbinding mediation in Collin County, Texas, with mediation costs shared equally. This Agreement is governed by Texas law. Any lawsuit that is not resolved by agreement or mediation must be filed in a court of competent jurisdiction in Collin County, Texas. Either party may bring an eligible claim in small claims court. Nothing in this section prevents a party from seeking temporary injunctive relief when necessary to protect confidential information or intellectual property.

13. General Terms

This Agreement and any signed change orders are the entire agreement concerning the project and replace prior discussions or understandings. Any amendment must be in writing and signed by both parties. Neither party may assign this Agreement without the other party's written consent, except that the Company may use qualified contractors and remains responsible for their work. If any provision is unenforceable, the remaining provisions remain effective. A waiver on one occasion is not a continuing waiver. Notices may be sent by email to the addresses the parties use for the project and are effective when sent, unless the sender receives a delivery-failure notice. Electronic signatures and counterparts are accepted and together form one agreement.