

# HOW TO SETUP YOUR AMAZON AUTHOR CENTRAL ACCOUNT & PAGE

# PART 1: CREATE YOUR AUTHOR CENTRAL ACCOUNT

- 1. Go to <u>https://authorcentral.amazon.com</u>/ and click Join Now.
- 2. Sign in with your regular Amazon username and password. If you don't have an account, select I am a new customer. You'll need to give a little more information.
- 3. Read the Terms and Conditions then click Accept.
- 4. Enter the name your books are written under. A list of possible books appears.
- 5. Select any one of your books to create the account.
  - If your book is not in the list, you can search for it by title or ISBN. \*Your book must be available for purchase on Amazon in order to setup an Author Central Amazon Account.
- 6. Amazon will send you a confirmation email to finish creating the account. Amazon may contact your publisher(s) as an additional measure to verify your identity, which may take three to seven days.

# PART 2: HOW TO SET UP YOUR AUTHOR PAGE

### Step 1. Add an interesting biography

- 1. On the Author Central Profile tab, click Edit Biography next to "Personal Biography."
- 2. <u>Click Preview</u> Biography to review your work, then click Save Biography.

## Step 2. Add photo(s) to your profile

- 1. On the Author Page tab, click Add Photo.
- 2. Click <u>Browse</u> and select a picture.
- 3. Click the box to confirm you own or have cleared all rights to the photo you are adding, and then click <u>Upload Phot</u>o.
- 4. You can change the order of photos by clickin<u>g Manage</u> and dragging the photo to your desired location.



#### Step 3. Add your blog feed

- 1. Next to "Blogs" on the Profile tab, click Add Blog.
- 2. Enter the feed address for your blog, the click Add. \*Note: Make sure you enter the feed address, not the blog address.
  - If you use Wordpress, add /feed/ to your blog's URL. For example, if your blog is named WackyWriter, and is at http://wackywriter.wordpress.com, your feed address would be http://wackywriter.wordpress.com/feed/
  - If you use <u>Blogger.com</u>, use either of the following formats (replace yourblogname with the name of your blog) http://yourblogname.blogspot.com/feeds/posts/default?alt=rss or http://yourblogname.blogspot.com/feeds/posts/default
  - For more help with this step, Amazon has a <u>post</u> that will help.

#### Step 4. Add video

- 1. On the Author Central Profile tab, click Add Video.
- 2. Click <u>Browse</u> and choose your video.
- 3. Click the box to confirm you own or have cleared rights to the video you are adding, and then click <u>Upload Video</u>. (This can take up to 24 hours to completely process, and Amazon should send an email when the video is ready to go.)
- 4. When it's ready, review and approve your video. Check the box that you've reviewed the video, then click <u>Approve Video</u>.

#### Step 5. Check your +Follow button

1. Go to your author page and click your +Follow button to make sure it works.

# PART 2: ADVANCED TACTICS & STEPS

#### Include all versions of your books

- 1. On the Author Central Books tab, scroll to the bottom of your bibliography and click <u>Add more books</u>.
- 2. In the search bar, type your author name, book title, or ISBN, and click <u>G</u>o.



- 3. Once you've found the missing title, click <u>This is my book</u> below the book.
- 4. If Amazon lists your name as the author, you're done,
  - If your name is misspelled or you're not listed as an author, you'll have to do a little troubleshooting.

### 2. Customize your author page URL

- 1. On the Profile tab, click Add Link next to the "Author Page URL."
- 2. A recommended URL will appear, but you can choose your own.
- 3. If the URL you typed is available, click <u>Save</u>.

#### 3. Add editorial reviews

- 1. Click the <u>Books</u> tab at the top of the page.
- 2. Click on the book you want and select the correct edition (each edition is updated separately).
- 3. Under Editorial Reviews, click<u>Add</u>. Follow the instructions to enter the review, the name of who wrote the review, and the name of the publication, website, or forum the review was received.
  - If you are entering From the Author, From the Inside Flap, From the Back Cover, or About the Author, you don't to enter a source.
- 4. Click the <u>Preview</u> and <u>Save</u> changes when you're happy with the review.

### 4. Make your international author pages

- UK https://authorcentral.amazon.co.uk
- German <u>https://authorcentral.amazon.de/</u>
- France <u>https://authorcentral.amazon.fr/</u>
- Japan <u>https://author.amazon.co.jp/</u>