# Penguin Buys Self Publishing Platform Author Solutions For

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Penguin, a major traditional publishing house, has strategically acquired Author Solutions, a prominent self-publishing platform. This significant move signals a notable convergence within the book publishing landscape, potentially reshaping services and opportunities for authors navigating both traditional and independent publishing routes.

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# Self-Publishing Guide for Independent Authors

If you have ever dreamed of writing and publishing your own book, you can realise that dream through self-publishing. Self-publishing is the route many writers choose these days to make their works available to the reading public. Self-publishing today is different from what it used to be many years ago when authors had to spend a lot of money to publish their book. Today, authors can self-publish their book for free or for as little as \$100 depending on the self-publishing platform they choose. As a soon-to-be author, the first thing you need to do to self-publish a book is to know your genre. One of the rules of writing is that you should write about what you know. If you have a specific genre that you enjoy reading, chances are that that is the genre you will want or like to write about. Consider your interests and the types of book that you read before you decide on the genre you want to venture into. Your major aim of writing a book should not be to make money. It should be about something you have interest and passion for. There a lot of genres available in both fiction and non-fiction writing. Before you start writing your book, have a plan of what the book will be about and the genre it will fit in. You need to focus on a specific genre when you are writing a book so you can market it. Some books may cross genre lines, such as paranormal and romance books, while some books will fit neatly into a genre. What your book is about should be very clear to the would-be reader so they will be interested in what you have written to want to buy the book. Most readers have the types of books they like to read and have a habit of sticking to a few genres. There are different genres for both fiction and non-fiction books. You need to make sure your book stands out from other books in the same category. If you are writing a romance novel, for instance, how do you make it stand out from other romance novels that are

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# Mass Authorship and the Rise of Self-Publishing

In the last two decades, digital technologies have made it possible for anyone with a computer and an Internet connection to rapidly and inexpensively self-publish a book. Once a stigmatized niche activity, self-publishing has grown explosively. Hobbyists and professionals alike have produced millions of books, circulating them through e-readers and the web. What does this new flood of books mean for publishing, authors, and readers? Some lament the rise of self-publishing because it tramples the gates and gatekeepers who once reserved publication for those who met professional standards. Others tout authors' new freedom from the narrow-minded exclusivity of traditional publishing. Critics mourn the death of the author; fans celebrate the democratization of authorship. Drawing on eight years of research and interviews with more than eighty self-published writers, Mass Authorship avoids the polemics, instead showing how writers are actually thinking about and dealing with this brave new world. Timothy Laquintano compares the experiences of self-publishing authors in three distinct genres—poker strategy guides, memoirs, and romance novels—as well as those of writers whose self-published works hit major bestseller lists. He finds that the significance of self-publishing and the challenge it presents to traditional publishing depend on the aims of authors, the desires of their readers, the affordances of their platforms, and the business plans of the companies that provide those platforms. In drawing a nuanced portrait of self-publishing authors today, Laguintano answers some of the most pressing questions about what it means to publish in the twenty-first century: How do writers establish credibility in an environment with no editors to judge quality? How do authors police their copyrights online without recourse to the law? How do they experience Amazon as a publishing platform? And how do they find an audience when, it sometimes seems, there are more writers than readers?

#### The Indie Author Guide

This Is Your Roadmap to Success! The Indie Author Guide takes you through every stage of the self-publishing process. With e-books, print on demand and the power of Web 2.0, you have the ability to publish your own high quality books and go indie—just as filmmakers and musicians have done. Get detailed instructions, complemented by screenshots, so you can get the most of cutting edge publishing options. April L. Hamilton, founder of Publetariat, an online news hub and community for indie authors, gives you insight to the latest technology and step-by-step advice for making the most of your self-publishing options. Inside you'll find everything you need to know to: • organize your files • create your brand • explore your self-publishing options • format your book for POD • edit and revise you work • design your own book cover • publish through a POD print service provider • publish in e-book formats • build an author platform • promote your work • transition from indie to mainstream publishing Plus, you'll get worksheets to help you plan and organize your book, your business, and your writing life, as well as an HTML primer so you can build your own website—even if you're not tech savvy. The Indie Author Guide gives you the skills and confidence you need to take full advantage of today's unique publishing opportunities and grow your readership yourself.

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## Writers' & Artists' Guide to Self-Publishing

Self-publishing is a growing area and writers need independent and reliable advice they can trust. This guide is full of practical, nuts-and-bolts information on each aspect of the DIY-publishing process, from editing and page layout, cover design and book production, publicity and selling. Each chapter is written by publishing professionals expert in supporting authors and is full of insights from successful self-published authors themselves. This guide is essential reading for any indie author who wants to go it totally alone, who wants to work with other independent professionals or who might choose to pay for self-publishing provider services. It gives the pros and cons and potential financial outlay for the various options available so writers can make informed decisions about the best approach for their own book.

## Self-publishing: Expectation vs Reality

Before I go on to elaborate on "why do most of the self-publishing authors, fail", I would like to introduce myself on what gives me the potential and right to comment on this topic and even write a book on it. I have been associated with the publishing industry for more than two decades. This means it has not only been my bread and butter but also my raison d'être. At work, almost every day brought me eye to eye with an author or a writer distressed beyond words only to have his work see the light of day. As much as it was heart-wrenching for me to see them struggle, I used to feel the obligation and need to ease the process for writers. Professionally, being in the sales and marketing arena, I always had a vantage point that enabled me to make out what sells and what doesn't. To top that, I have been fortunate enough to collaborate with the "who's who" of the global publishing industry. Moreover, for the past few years, I have been assisting self-publishing authors. These together, have eventually made me an expert in gauging what would work for a particular author. With the first-hand experience that I have gained by working with several authors closely, I thought it only natural to write a book for the new authors on the points that should be considered publishing their books. This book is a humble attempt to help new authors with the basics of book publishing. I hope going through this book before they sketch out their work, will sure make their journey to publishing uncomplicated and safe. Signing off with all good wishes to all the writers out there. Happy Writing! -Nataraj Sasid

# From Paper to Platform: Publishing, Intellectual Property and the Digital Revolution.

Supporting the development of a national book and reading culture through local professional writers and publishers requires an understanding of the way this sector of the creative economy works and how it is affected by the digital revolution. This publication is intended to help policymakers, particularly those in countries that are interested in promoting local publishing, to understand the publishing industry better and to understand how copyright and other policies affect the way books are being created, published and consumed.

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# The Complete Guide to Self-Publishing

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# Turning the Page

This is an exciting period for the book, a time of innovation, experimentation, and change. It is also a time of considerable fear within the book industry as it adjusts to changes in how books are created and consumed. The movement to digital has been taking place for some time, but with consumer books experiencing the transition, the effects of digitization can be clearly seen to everybody. In Turning the Page Angus Phillips analyses the fundamental drivers of the book publishing industry - authorship, readership, and copyright - and examines the effects of digital and other developments on the book itself. Drawing on theory and research across a range of subjects, from business and sociology to neuroscience and psychology, and from interviews with industry professionals, Phillips investigates how the fundamentals of the book industry are changing in a world of ebooks, self-publishing, and emerging business models. Useful comparisons are also made with other media industries which have undergone rapid change, such as music and newspapers. This book is an ideal companion for anyone wishing to understand the transition of the book, writing and publishing in recent years and will be particularly relevant to students studying publishing, media and communications.

## What Kings Ate and Wizards Drank

This book will give writers of historical and fantastical genres details about food history to add a new level of authenticity to their fictional worlds.

## Earth, Air, Fire, and Water

Author Jean Rikhoffs life often reads as if it were fiction instead of an actual catalog of facts. Shes had no interest in settling down into what would be described as a normal life. In this memoir, she recaps her lifes out-of-the ordinary adventures against the backdrop of water, earth, fire, and air. Earth, Air, Fire, and Water is Rickhoffs account of growing up in the 1950s. She tells about trying many roles, such as writer, wife, mother, professor, friend, with her real role in life always seeming to evade her. Her adventures include several years spent in Europe and numerous visits to Africa and India as well as remote locations such as Cambodia and the Easter Islands. Among her many experiences are a doomed love affair with a Spanish count, an extraordinary encounter with a Masai chieftain in Kenya, and an intense and humorous friendship with the famous American sculptor David Smith. With anecdotes and photographs, this memoir shows that through all of Rikhoffs many exploits, she is searching for who she isnot an appendage to someone else, but as a woman who wants to carve out a life that is uniquely her own. Best Memoir of 2011 from the Adirondack Center for Writing

## The Self-publishing Blueprint

Ready to self-publish your book? Got an idea for a story and have no idea where to start? Stuck somewhere in the inbetween? 'The Self-publishing Blueprint' is a complete guide to getting your book from idea to publication, and beyond. Whether you've been thinking of dipping your toes into the self-publishing waters, or you're an author who has had traditional success and is now looking to publish your books yourself, this comprehensive guide will cover every fundamental step of the self-publishing process. How can I promise this? As the bestselling author of over 40+ titles across a number of pen names and genres since 2015, I've been there, done that, got the t-shirt. Now I'm handing the lessons

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## The Judas Tree

LIVES FALL APART WHEN THE STASI ARCHIVES ARE OPENED Berlin 1989. The Wall comes down, the regime collapses, the secret police files are opened. In communist East Germany, people spent their lives looking over their shoulders. Anyone could be an informant for the dreaded Stasi. Friends informed on friends, children on parents, husbands on wives. Everything they said went into the files. Matthias, a cellist, and Anne, a violinist, spent five years together in Leipzig. They played music, and stayed out of politics. Until Anne was killed in a car crash in France, they were happy. At least, that's what Matthias thought. But after Anne's death, he sees his file, and his illusions are shattered. He believed she loved him. That's not what the file says. -Seeing your file can be a shock, Fraulein Schroeder told me. Sometimes you have to go back into your soul and consider the whole of your life in a different light.- Anne is no longer there to answer questions. Matthias must follow her trail back to Uzes to learn the truth.

#### How to Self-Publish Your Book

Did you ever consider self-publishing your own book but were daunted by the complex process of actually doing it? Self-published author and expert Carla King gives a simple step-by-step guide to self-publishing your book as an e-book or print book. Plot your success by choosing the reputable tools and services recommended here, along with techniques that will help your book succeed in the market that you choose.

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#### House of Darkness House of Light

Roger and Carolyn Perron purchased the home of their dreams and eventual nightmares in December of 1970. The Arnold Estate, located just beyond the village of Harrisville, Rhode Island seemed the idyllic setting in which to raise a family. The couple unwittingly moved their five young daughters into the ancient and mysterious farmhouse. Secrets were kept and then revealed within a space shared by

mortal and immortal alike. Time suddenly became irrelevant; fractured by spirits making their presence known then dispersing into the ether. The house is a portal to the past and a passage to the future. This is a sacred story of spiritual enlightenment, told some thirty years hence. The family is now somewhat less reticent to divulge a closely-guarded experience. Their odyssey is chronicled by the eldest sibling and is an unabridged account of a supernatural excursion. Ed and Lorraine Warren investigated this haunting in a futile attempt to intervene on their behalf. They consider the Perron family saga to be one of the most compelling and significant of a famously ghost-storied career as paranormal researchers. During a seance gone horribly wrong, they unleashed an unholy hostess; the spirit called Bathsheba; a God-forsaken soul. Perceiving herself to be the mistress of the house, she did not appreciate the competition. Carolyn had long been under siege; overt threats issued in the form of fire...a mother's greatest fear. It transformed the woman in unimaginable ways. After nearly a decade the family left a once beloved home behind though it will never leave them, as each remains haunted by a memory. This tale is an inspiring testament to the resilience of the human spirit on a pathway of discovery: an eternal journey for the living and the dead.

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