KDP Cozy Mystery Launch Checklist

From finished draft to published book: editing, cover, metadata, categories, and launch week — the steps AI prompts cannot do for you.

Before you publish

Human edit for logic and tone. Check every clue payoff. Disclose AI assistance where the platform asks. Commission or design a genre-correct cover.

Metadata that matters

Title, subtitle, 7 keywords, 2 categories, and a blurb that names the sleuth, the setting, and the crime — in that order.

Launch week

Publish, then promote to readers who already love cozies: newsletter swaps, cozy reader groups, and a series plan, not a single-book hope.

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