# **1. PUBLISH YOUR FIRST PAPERBACK BOOK**

## 1.1. Paperback Book Setup

(Note) The process is very similar to the Kindle book's publishing, the main differences will be:

- o Cover design
- PDF manuscript
- On the main page of KDP click on "Paperback"

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Subtitle is a little bit trickier. Currently the mainstream naming is to add a descriptive "A Children's book", "A Juvenile Fiction" as a subtitle

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- Use Book Title as normal, imagine the perfect title for the book
- Use Subtitle for SEO like "A Children's Picture Book with Moral", "An Enchanting Kids Unicorn Book" or "An Educative Science Book for Kids" (Try to put the target audience and the primary category of the book in the Subtitle)

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- Keywords research
  - There are several tools that are very good help in keyword research:
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