How to launch or optimize your keyword strategy for more book sales.

Establishing and refining the right keyword targeting helps your titles appear in search results for the right readers. It’s a surprisingly simple and powerful tool to sell more books.

Select the right keywords.

There are five keyword types to consider, which range from broad to specific. It’s important to initially select words from all types, and then optimize according to performance. Here we’ve used Emily Brontë’s classic, *Wuthering Heights*, as an example to show the types of keywords you’ll need for your books.

### General
Select broad terms describing books and your overall category.

- *eBook Best Sellers, Great Authors*

### Competitive
List titles and ASINs* of similar books to attract like-minded readers.

- Jane Austen’s *Pride and Prejudice* and George Eliot’s *Middlemarch*

### Relevant niche genres
Choose all genre descriptions that could apply to your books.

- *19th-Century Authors, Women Authors, Classics*

### Author or publisher
Engage readers interested in similar authors or publishers.

- Emily Brontë, *Penguin Classics*

### Title-specific
Include any terms, themes, or ASINs that are relevant to your books.

- Heathcliff, Catherine Earnshaw, ASIN 0141439556, the moors, jealousy

Keep your winning keyword strategy going.

Once your keywords have been running in a campaign for two weeks, you’ll need to check which words are performing best and which terms generate the best traffic and clicks. You’ll also want to discontinue using your lowest-performing terms.

| 100+ | Add new campaigns using terms related to successful keywords. |
| 100+ | Test different keyword combinations. |
| 100+ | Increase budget on keywords that do well. |

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*Amazon Standard ID Numbers

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