



BONUS #2

AI Draft Polishing SOP

A step-by-step workflow for taking an AI-assisted draft and turning it into cleaner, more natural writing without destroying your voice.

Created for Amazon Kindle publishers who want faster production, cleaner manuscripts, and more human-sounding books before the final upload.

Clean. Humanize. Publish Better.

AI Draft Polishing SOP

This SOP gives you a repeatable process for turning an AI-assisted draft into a cleaner, more natural manuscript while keeping your message, structure, and voice under your control.

Important use note

Blaze Humanizer is a manuscript cleanup and polishing tool. It should be used responsibly. If your publishing platform requires disclosure of AI-generated content, follow the platform's rules honestly. This SOP is designed to improve manuscript quality, not to bypass rules or deceive readers.

Why this SOP exists

AI can help Kindle publishers create drafts faster, but a fast draft is not the same as a finished book. Raw AI drafts often contain robotic patterns, vague advice, repeated sentence structures, over-polished language, and invisible copy-paste artifacts that weaken the reader experience.

The goal of this SOP is simple: take a draft from rough AI-assisted output to a cleaner, clearer, more human final draft that is ready for formatting, proofreading, and publishing review.

Who should use this

- Kindle publishers who use AI for drafting, outlining, or editing.
- Authors who want to polish chapters without losing their original voice.
- Ghostwriters and editors preparing client manuscripts for review.
- Publishing teams that need a repeatable quality-control process.
- Content creators turning AI-assisted material into reader-friendly books.

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Best practice

Run this SOP after the draft is complete but before final formatting. It is easier to fix structure, tone, and text problems before the manuscript is placed into its final book layout.

1. The Polishing Mindset

A raw AI draft is not a finished Kindle book. Treat it like a first assistant, not the final author.

Your job as the publisher is to turn the draft into a useful reader product. That means the manuscript must be accurate, organized, specific, readable, and natural. It should not feel like a bundle of generic paragraphs stitched together by a machine.

The core rule

Publisher control rule

Never let any tool make the final decision for your book. Blaze Humanizer can help clean and improve text, but you should review the output, check meaning, verify facts, and approve the final manuscript yourself.

The 5 signs of a weak AI draft

- [] The same sentence rhythm appears again and again.
- [] The book uses broad advice without examples, stories, or practical steps.
- [] Transitions feel generic, such as 'In conclusion,' 'Furthermore,' and 'It is important to note.'
- [] The tone is polished but empty - it sounds professional without saying much.
- [] Paragraphs feel interchangeable and could appear in any book in the niche.

The 5 signs of a polished human draft

- [] The chapter has a clear point and stays focused on the reader's problem.
- [] The language sounds natural when read aloud.
- [] The examples feel specific to the niche and audience.
- [] Sentence length varies, giving the writing rhythm and energy.
- [] The final text feels useful, trustworthy, and easy to follow.

2. The 7-Stage AI Draft Polishing Workflow

Use this workflow every time you prepare an AI-assisted manuscript for Kindle publishing. The process is simple enough for solo authors and structured enough for teams.

Stage	Purpose	Output
1. Preserve	Protect the original draft	Raw draft backup
2. Define	Clarify reader, promise, and voice	Polishing brief
3. Strengthen	Fix accuracy, logic, and usefulness	Substantive edit
4. De-AI	Remove robotic patterns	Cleaner draft
5. Clean	Remove hidden artifacts	Clean Mode output
6. Rewrite	Humanize weak sections	Selective Rewrite output
7. QA	Proof, compare, and approve	Publish-ready draft

Do not skip stages 2 and 3. Many publishers try to humanize the text before checking whether the content is actually useful. That is backwards. First fix the book's substance. Then polish the language.

Simple principle

Humanization cannot save a weak book idea, thin research, or inaccurate content. Use Blaze Humanizer after you have improved the actual value of the manuscript.

STAGE 1: Preserve the Raw Draft

Before you polish anything, save the original draft so you can compare, recover, and audit your changes.

This first step prevents one of the biggest mistakes Kindle publishers make: editing directly inside the only copy of a draft. Once you start cleaning and rewriting, you need a safe version to compare against.

Action steps

- [] Create a folder for the book project.
- [] Save the raw AI-assisted draft as '01_Raw_Draft'.
- [] Save a working copy as '02_Polishing_Copy'.
- [] Keep notes about which AI tools, editors, or writing assistants were used.
- [] Separate front matter, chapters, back matter, and book description into clear files or sections.

Why this matters

A preserved raw draft helps you recover lost wording, compare improvements, prove your editing process to yourself or a client, and avoid confusion when multiple people are working on the same manuscript.

Project setup notes

STAGE 2: Define the Reader Promise

A draft cannot be polished properly until you know who it is for and what it must deliver.

Before you rewrite a single paragraph, define the reader promise. This keeps the final manuscript focused and prevents generic AI writing from slipping through.

Fill in this brief before polishing

Target reader: Who is this book for?
Reader problem: What pain, desire, or question brought them to this book?
Book promise: What should the reader be able to do, understand, or feel after reading?

Voice guardrails

- [] Choose 3 words that describe the desired voice, such as practical, warm, direct, expert, friendly, bold, simple, or motivational.
- [] Choose 3 words the voice should avoid, such as robotic, academic, fluffy, hype-filled, cold, repetitive, or vague.
- [] Identify 2-3 books, authors, or brands with a similar reader tone.
- [] Write one sample paragraph in the desired style to use as a reference.

STAGE 3: Fix Accuracy, Logic, and Value

Before humanizing the text, make sure the content is true, useful, and organized.

This is the most important stage. A manuscript can sound human and still be weak. Your goal here is to make sure the book actually delivers value.

Accuracy check

- Verify names, dates, statistics, claims, and technical instructions.
- Remove or rewrite any statement you cannot confirm.
- Check health, legal, financial, or safety-related claims carefully.
- Add disclaimers where appropriate for sensitive topics.
- Make sure examples are plausible and relevant to the reader.

Logic check

- Does each chapter have one clear main idea?
- Does the chapter order make sense?
- Does each section naturally lead to the next?
- Are any ideas repeated without adding new value?
- Are there gaps where the reader needs more explanation?

Value check

- Add specific examples instead of vague advice.
- Turn abstract ideas into steps, checklists, exercises, or stories.
- Replace generic filler with useful explanation.
- Add warnings, mistakes, and practical tips where helpful.
- Make sure every chapter earns its place in the book.

STAGE 4: Remove Robotic AI Patterns

Mark the sections that sound like a machine before you send anything through Rewrite Mode.

Robotic writing is usually not one big problem. It is a pile of small signals that make readers feel like the book was rushed or generated. Use this stage to find and mark those signals.

AI-pattern cleanup checklist

- Remove repeated phrases that appear in multiple chapters.
- Cut filler openings such as 'In today's fast-paced world' when they add no value.
- Replace generic transitions with specific transitions tied to the chapter topic.
- Vary sentence length so the page has rhythm.
- Break long, perfectly balanced AI paragraphs into more natural sections.
- Add real-world examples, micro-stories, or reader scenarios.
- Replace vague words like important, effective, powerful, and valuable with specific meaning.
- Remove over-explaining where the reader already understands the point.
- Strengthen weak chapter endings with a clear takeaway or next step.

Common phrases to challenge

- It is important to note that...
- In conclusion...
- Furthermore...
- Delve into...
- A comprehensive guide to...
- In today's digital age...
- This not only helps you... but also...
- By following these steps, you can...

Do not ban every phrase automatically

Some phrases may be fine in context. The point is not to create a list of forbidden words. The point is to stop lazy repetition and make the writing sound intentional.

STAGE 5: Run Blaze Humanizer Clean Mode

Use Clean Mode when the wording is good and the manuscript needs invisible text cleanup.

Clean Mode is the safest first pass for text you already like. It is designed to clean hidden artifacts without forcing a full rewrite. This is useful after copying text between AI tools, Word, Google Docs, editors, formatting software, and web apps.

Use Clean Mode for

- [] Final edited chapters where you want to keep the wording.
- [] Book descriptions that already convert well.
- [] Author bios and front matter.
- [] Client-approved sections that should not be rewritten.
- [] Any text copied from several tools or documents.

Clean Mode workflow

- [] Paste one section at a time into Blaze Humanizer.
- [] Select Clean Mode.
- [] Run the cleanup process.
- [] Review the word-level diff.
- [] Copy the cleaned version into your polishing copy.
- [] Save the section before moving to the next one.

When to stop

If Clean Mode removed hidden junk and your wording still reads well, do not over-process the text. More rewriting is not always better.

Clean Mode run log: Section / Date / Notes

STAGE 6: Use Rewrite Mode Selectively

Use Rewrite Mode only on sections that need a more natural, human-sounding flow.

Rewrite Mode is powerful, but it should be used with intention. Do not rewrite your entire manuscript just because you can. First identify sections that actually need improvement.

Use Rewrite Mode when

- A paragraph sounds stiff, flat, or robotic.
- The same sentence structure repeats too often.
- The text feels generic even after editing.
- A section explains the idea but does not sound engaging.
- You need a smoother transition between two ideas.
- A chapter introduction or conclusion lacks energy.

Do not use Rewrite Mode when

- The wording has been legally, medically, financially, or technically approved.
- A client has approved the exact text.
- The section contains precise instructions that should not change.
- The voice is already strong and natural.
- You have not checked facts and meaning yet.

Rewrite Mode review rules

- Compare the output against the original meaning.
- Reject any change that makes a claim stronger than the source supports.
- Keep unique phrases that sound like the author's voice.
- Read the result aloud before approving it.
- Save the approved version immediately.

Rewrite Mode decision log: Section / Problem / Approved changes

STAGE 7: Human Review and Final QA

The final manuscript should be approved by human judgment, not by automation alone.

After using Blaze Humanizer, perform a final review. This is where you confirm that the manuscript still says what you want it to say and feels right for the reader.

Read-aloud pass

- Read each chapter aloud or use text-to-speech.
- Mark any sentence that sounds unnatural when spoken.
- Fix paragraphs that feel too long or too perfect.
- Listen for repeated transitions and repeated sentence starts.
- Confirm that chapter endings feel complete.

Reader-experience pass

- Would the target reader understand this section without extra context?
- Does the chapter give practical value or only general advice?
- Is the tone consistent with the book promise?
- Does the book feel trustworthy?
- Would you be comfortable putting your name or brand behind this manuscript?

Final QA pass

- Run spellcheck and grammar review.
- Check headings and subheadings for consistency.
- Confirm front matter and back matter are complete.
- Check links, references, names, and calls to action.
- Confirm the manuscript is ready for formatting or final proofreading.

10. The 30-Minute Quick Polish

Use this when you need a fast cleanup pass on a short manuscript, chapter, book description, or bonus section. This is not a full edit. It is a rapid quality-control pass.

30-minute workflow

- [] Minutes 0-5: Save the raw draft and create a working copy.
- [] Minutes 5-10: Identify the target reader and main promise.
- [] Minutes 10-15: Cut obvious filler and repeated AI phrases.
- [] Minutes 15-20: Run Clean Mode on the section.
- [] Minutes 20-25: Use Rewrite Mode only on robotic paragraphs.
- [] Minutes 25-30: Read aloud, approve changes, and save the final version.

Best use

The 30-minute version is best for short pieces: introductions, descriptions, lead magnets, bonus chapters, author bios, and individual sections. Do not use it as the only quality pass for a full-length book.

11. The 2-Hour Deep Polish

Use this when preparing a chapter, short book, or important manuscript section for publishing. It gives you more time to improve substance and voice before the final cleanup.

2-hour workflow
<input type="checkbox"/> Minutes 0-10: Preserve raw draft and create a project folder.
<input type="checkbox"/> Minutes 10-25: Complete the reader promise and voice brief.
<input type="checkbox"/> Minutes 25-55: Fix accuracy, logic, structure, and usefulness.
<input type="checkbox"/> Minutes 55-75: Remove robotic AI patterns and generic phrasing.
<input type="checkbox"/> Minutes 75-90: Run Clean Mode section by section.
<input type="checkbox"/> Minutes 90-110: Use Rewrite Mode selectively on weak passages.
<input type="checkbox"/> Minutes 110-120: Read aloud, compare, approve, and export final copy.

Deep polish standard

By the end of this process, the section should be clear, useful, natural, and ready for a final proofread or formatting pass. It should not feel like raw AI output, and it should not lose the voice or meaning you intended.

Deep polish notes

12. Worksheets and Sign-Off Pages

Use these pages to make the SOP repeatable. You can print them, duplicate them, or copy the structure into your project management system.

Book title / Pen name / Niche / Target reader

Voice brief: 3 words to use / 3 words to avoid / style references

Section Polishing Tracker

Section	Clean Mode	Rewrite Mode	Read Aloud	Approved
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Open issues to fix before publishing

Final AI Draft Polishing Sign-Off

Use this final checklist before sending the manuscript to formatting, proofreading, upload, or client review.

Final approval checklist
<input type="checkbox"/> The raw draft has been preserved.
<input type="checkbox"/> The target reader and promise are clear.
<input type="checkbox"/> The manuscript has been checked for accuracy and unsupported claims.
<input type="checkbox"/> Generic AI phrasing has been reduced or removed.
<input type="checkbox"/> Clean Mode has been used where appropriate.
<input type="checkbox"/> Rewrite Mode has been used only where needed.
<input type="checkbox"/> The word-level diff has been reviewed.
<input type="checkbox"/> The final text has been read aloud or reviewed for flow.
<input type="checkbox"/> The manuscript still reflects the intended voice and meaning.
<input type="checkbox"/> The draft is ready for proofreading, formatting, or upload.

Final approval notes

Publisher sign-off

Book / Project:	
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Reviewed by:	
Date:	
Approved for next step:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Needs more work

Closing: Build a Better Publishing System

The publishers who win long term are not the ones who upload the fastest raw drafts. They are the ones who build a better system for creating books readers trust.

Use AI for speed. Use judgment for quality. Use Blaze Humanizer for cleanup and humanization. Then use your final human review to approve the manuscript before it goes live.

That is the purpose of this SOP: not to make you dependent on AI, but to give you a repeatable process for publishing cleaner, stronger, more natural books.

Recommended next step

After completing this SOP, run the manuscript through your normal proofreading and formatting workflow. This SOP improves draft quality, but it does not replace final proofreading, formatting checks, or compliance review.

Helpful resource

For current publishing requirements, always check Amazon KDP's official Content Guidelines and AI content disclosure guidance inside your KDP account before uploading or republishing a book.

Official KDP Content Guidelines: <https://kdp.amazon.com/help/topic/G200672390>

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