

# The Build Your Book Course

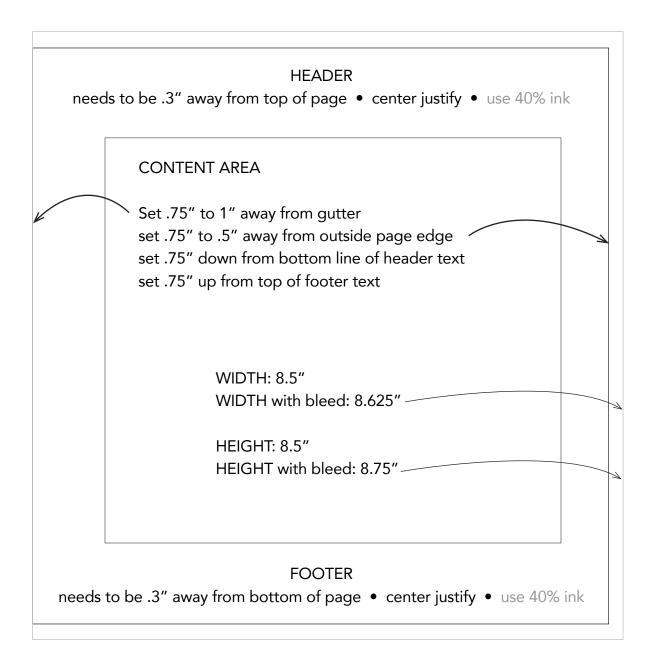


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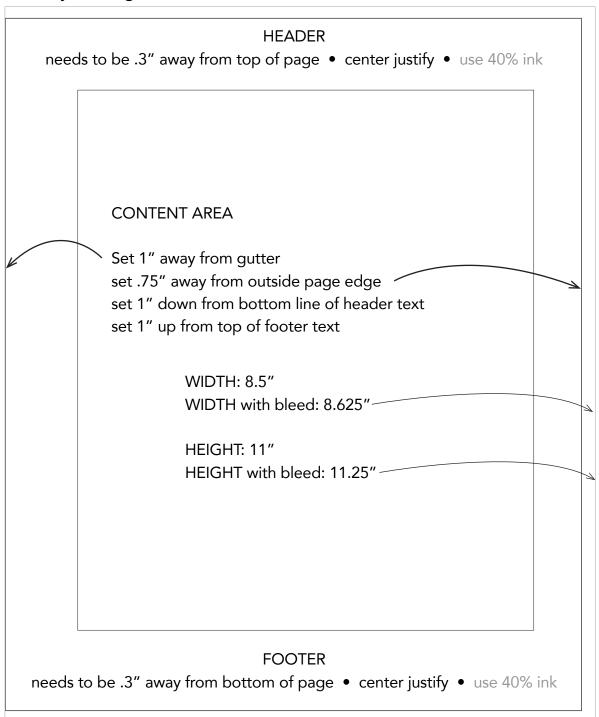
Here are a few examples of how to format your books. Of course you can choose other measurements, but these are the ones I have come to use after 20 years of experimentation and research as to what my clients and readers like.

This is for a picture book. I like to use 8.5" x 8.5" but amazon also has 8" x 8" available. You can easily create a picture book in Word power point or Open Office presentation mode. Make sure you check to see your choices for distribution on amazon before you design it!



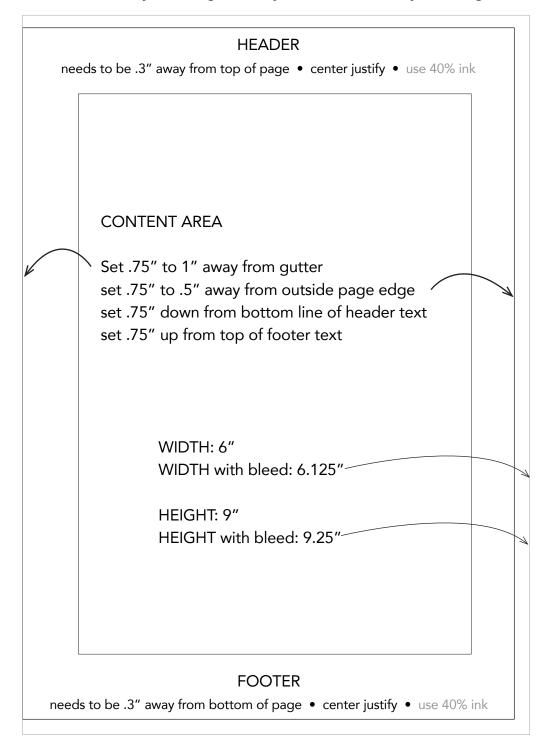


This is for any book you want your reader to write or color in. I like to use  $8.5" \times 11"$  but amazon also has  $8" \times 10"$  available. I prefer the larger size because  $8 \times 10$  feels small to me. You may be dealing with kids' small back packs, or other constraining issues, so you might want the smaller size. Make sure you check to see what distribution you can get with your book before you design it!





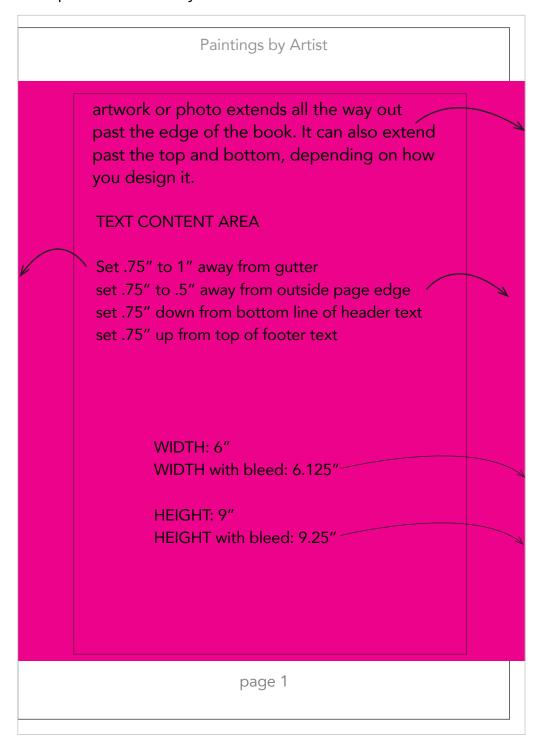
This is  $6" \times 9"$  - for books like how-to's, stories, novels, non-fiction. This is the typical size book you'll find for paperbacks. The smaller paperback you'd find at the airport, grocery store or bookshop is half this size. Don't use the smaller size unless you're writing fiction. Make sure you check to see what distribution you can get with your book before you design it!





BLEED: Most of the time, you won't have to worry at all about it. It's only used where you want the color from a photo or artwork to go all the way to the edge of your page.

You will need to keep it in mind when you create your covers. Amazon has great templates for covers you can download and use.





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#### **TEMPLATES ON AMAZON**

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Trim size without bleed 5" x 8" (12.7 x 20.32 cm)	Trim size with bleed 5.125" x 8.25" (13 x 20.92 cm)
5.25" x 8" (13.34 x 20.32 cm)	5.375" x 8.25" (13.64 x 20.92 cm)
5.5" x 8.5" (13.97 x 21.59 cm)	5.626" x 8.75" (14.27 x 22.19 cm)
6" x 9" (15.24 x 22.86 cm)	6.125" x 9.25" (15.54 x 23.46 cm)
7" x 10" (17.78 x 25.4 cm)	7.125" x 10.25" (18.08 x 26 cm)
8" x 10" (20.32 x 25.4 cm)	8.125" x 10.25" (20.52 x 26 cm)
8.5" x 11" (21.59 x 27.94 cm)	8.625" x 11.25" (21.89 x 28.54 cm)
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