

Joseph Editorial Services
Services & Pricing
Guide



A woman with short, curly hair is shown in profile, looking off to the side with a thoughtful expression. She is holding a blue mug with both hands. She is wearing a light-colored, long-sleeved top and a small hoop earring. The background is softly blurred, showing what appears to be an indoor setting with a plant and a window.

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Hi There!

Thank you for considering Joseph Editorial Services! Whether you're writing your very first book or representing a publishing house that wants to support your authors at the highest level, I'm so glad you're here.

My name is Megan Joseph, and I've spent over seven years helping authors shape powerful stories and nonfiction messages that connect deeply with their readers. I created this guide to give you a clear picture of the services I offer, how they're structured, and how we can work together to bring your manuscript to life.

Inside, you'll find details tailored to both authors and publishers—organized to help you quickly find what fits your needs best. You'll also see transparent pricing, my most-requested services, and real results from past clients.

Not sure where to start? That's okay! I offer free sample edit and 15-minute Success Session where we can discuss your goals and see what next step makes the most sense. Just email me at Megan@JosephEditorialServices.com and I'll do my best to accommodate your schedule.

Let's make something incredible together.

With gratitude,

Megan Joseph
Editor | Writing Coach

Who I Help

For Authors



You've poured your heart into your manuscript—and now it's time to **polish it** into something truly publish-ready. Whether you're self-publishing or **seeking clarity** before querying, I offer editorial services designed to help you **refine your voice**, strengthen your structure, and **elevate** your reader's experience.

This is for you if you're...

- A **first-time author** feeling unsure about your next steps
- **Switching genres** and need a fresh editorial lens
- Receiving **negative reviews** or vague feedback from readers
- Feeling like **your story is missing something** you can't quite name
- **Not comfortable** hitting publish just yet—but you want to be

Publishers



You're committed to putting **high-quality books** into the world—but sometimes your authors need a level of editorial support that internal teams can't fully provide. I partner with hybrid publishers, small presses, and editorial teams to offer **evaluations and developmental editing** that empower authors and improve project outcomes.

This is for you if...

- You have **authors with incredible ideas** but they struggle with execution
- You've **invested time or money** in authors whose books underperformed due to weak storylines
- You want to **strengthen your editorial pipeline** without hiring full-time staff
- You need a white-label or co-branded option that feels **seamless and professional**

Clarity-driven services to help you finish strong, revise well, and publish with confidence.

Draft 2 Done

An in-depth manuscript evaluation with professional insight, a clear revision plan, and two rounds of support.

What It Is:

Draft 2 Done™ is a deep-dive editorial evaluation that gives you honest, actionable feedback—without altering your manuscript. You'll receive a clear, structured report that shows you what's working, what needs development, and how to strengthen your book before editing or publishing.

This service is 100% external feedback—no tracked changes, no in-text comments. Instead, you'll get a detailed document that's easy to follow and focused on helping you revise with purpose and confidence.

What's Included:

A comprehensive editorial report covering:

- Chapter structure and overall organization
- Plot development and pacing
- Character arcs and consistency
- Dialogue, tone, and flow
- Genre fit and audience expectations
- Reader experience and clarity
- Common patterns, issues, and opportunities for improvement

A 1-hour follow-up consultation to walk through your report, answer questions, and help you plan your revisions

A second-round review after you revise—includes a new editorial report

Another 1-hour consultation after your second review to ensure you're confident and ready for the next phase

Who This Is For:

This service is ideal for authors who:

- Have completed a full or partial draft
- Feel their story is solid but need professional insight before editing
- Are confident in making revisions on their own once issues are identified
- Want to avoid the expense of full editing before tightening their structure and content
- Appreciate structured support but want space to revise independently

Turnaround Time:

10–14 days for each evaluation round

Investment:

- First 5 chapters (up to 10,000 words): **\$25**
- Partial manuscript (up to 50,000 words): **\$50**
- Full manuscript (up to 100,000 words): **\$100**
- Over 100,000 words? Email Megan@JosephEditorialServices.com for custom pricing

What Makes This Unique

Draft 2 Done™ includes something most evaluators don't offer:

A second review after your revisions—so you're not left wondering if you got it right. It's my way of helping you finish strong and move forward with confidence.

Joseph Editorial Services



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The Revision Lab

A full-service editorial experience for authors who want expert guidance from draft to done.

What It Is:

The Revision Lab™ is an immersive, collaborative editing process designed to help you elevate every aspect of your manuscript—from structure and storytelling to sentence-level clarity and polish. You'll receive hands-on support across four stages of editing, with tracked changes, in-line comments, and coaching at every step.

If you're a first-time author or someone who's received vague or critical feedback about your manuscript but doesn't know how to fix it, this is your safe, expert-guided space to revise with purpose—and publish with confidence.

What's Included:

Developmental Editing

We'll begin with the big-picture elements of your story:

- Plot development and chapter structure
- Character arcs, pacing, and tension
- Theme, message clarity, and genre expectations
- Identification of gaps, inconsistencies, or missing emotional beats
- Delivered via tracked changes, in-line comments, and summary notes.

Line Editing

Once structure is in place, we refine the language itself:

- Paragraph-level clarity, voice, and tone
- Sentence rhythm and flow
- Transitions and scene pacing
- Wordiness, redundancies, and tone inconsistencies

Copy Editing

Now we zoom in even further to clean up the technical side:

- Grammar, spelling, and punctuation
- Consistency of style (tense, names, formatting)
- Word usage and readability

Proofreading

The final pass focuses on surface-level corrections before formatting or publication.

- Spelling, punctuation, grammar, and basic formatting
- Ensures clean, professional presentation
- Intended as a final check—not a rewrite

Note: While no proofreader can guarantee a completely error-free manuscript (even bestsellers have typos), I aim for industry-standard accuracy. My personal average is 0.5%, meaning I may miss 5 errors out of every 1,000 words.

Who This Is For:

- First-time authors who want deep support and clear guidance
- Writers who've received negative or unclear feedback
- Authors who know their story has potential but need help getting it there
- Anyone who wants to learn, improve, and publish with professional-level confidence

Turnaround Time:

Varies depending on word count, scope, and collaboration pace. Typical range: 2-4 months, depending on the length, with flexibility built in for revisions and feedback.

Investment:

- Books under 25,000 words – **\$250**
- Up to 50,000 words – **\$500**
- Up to 100,000 words – **\$1,000**
- Over 100,000 words? Email Megan@JosephEditorialServices.com for a custom quote.

Want to Test the Waters First?

You can request a Free Sample Edit (500–1,000 words) to see what it's like to work with me: [Request Sample Edit](#)

Clarity-driven services to help you finish strong, revise well, and publish with confidence.

Polish & Precision

Sharpen your voice. Refine your sentences. Publish with confidence.

What It Is:

Polish & Precision™ is a comprehensive language-level service for authors who are confident in their story but want their writing to feel clean, clear, and professional. This service combines line editing, copy editing, and proofreading to ensure your manuscript is polished and publication-ready—without sacrificing your voice.

Edits are provided using tracked changes in Microsoft Word, along with in-line coaching comments to explain why changes were made and how you can grow as a writer.

What's Included:

Line Editing

- Sentence flow, clarity, and rhythm
- Voice and tone consistency
- Eliminates wordiness and repetition
- Enhances readability and pacing

Copy Editing

- Grammar, punctuation, and spelling corrections
- Word usage and sentence structure
- Dialogue formatting and consistency
- Ensures clarity and style throughout

Proofreading

- Final pass for surface-level typos and formatting errors
- Ensures your manuscript meets professional standards
- While no editor can guarantee a 100% error-free manuscript, my personal accuracy rate is around 0.5% meaning 5 potential misses per 1,000 words—well within publishing norms

Comment Coaching

- In-line notes that explain edits and offer stylistic suggestions
- Opportunities to strengthen your writing habits and technique

Who This Is For:

This service is ideal for experienced authors—especially those who are self-publishing—who have already addressed big-picture revisions and are now seeking a final professional polish. If you're confident in your content but want an expert set of eyes to elevate the clarity, consistency, and correctness of your manuscript, this is for you.

Polish & Precision™ is also perfect for authors who prefer a one-stop shop approach to editing. With 2 to 3 rounds included (based on manuscript needs), this service ensures your work receives line editing, copy editing, and a final proofreading pass to catch lingering errors before publication.

Turnaround Time:

2–4 weeks depending on manuscript length

Investment:

- **\$125** – Under 25,000 words
- **\$250** – Up to 50,000 words
- **\$500** – Up to 100,000 words
- For manuscripts over 100,000 words, email Megan@JosephEditorialServices.com for a custom quote.

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The Finish Line

Your manuscript is nearly there—let's make sure it crosses the finish line with confidence.

What It Is:

The Finish Line™ is a final proofreading service designed for authors who have already completed developmental, line, and copy editing and are ready for one last review before publishing. This is your safety net—a careful, thorough pass to catch any lingering errors in grammar, punctuation, spelling, and formatting.

Proofreading does not involve restructuring or rewriting. Instead, it focuses on surface-level corrections to help your book meet professional publishing standards.

While no editor can promise a 100% error-free manuscript, I strive to deliver work within industry-accepted standards. My typical error rate is estimated between 0.5%–1%, which equates to roughly 5–10 potential misses per 1,000 words.

What's Included:

Proofreading Pass

- Final check for typos, grammar, punctuation, and formatting issues
- Flagging of obvious inconsistencies or repetition
- Ensures adherence to style and readability standards

Accuracy + Professional Standards

- 2 rounds of proofreading and 1 consultation
- Reviewed using Microsoft Word's tracked changes
- Personalized touch with an editor who values both detail and voice

Who This Is For:

- Authors who have already completed all other rounds of editing
- Self-publishing writers preparing to format and release their book
- Authors who want peace of mind that their manuscript has been professionally reviewed before launch
- Those seeking a meticulous review to catch last-minute oversights

Turnaround Time:

Typically 1–2 weeks depending on manuscript length

Investment:

- **\$75** – Under 25,000 words
- **\$150** – Up to 50,000 words
- **\$300** – Up to 100,000 words
- For manuscripts over 100,000 words, email Megan@JosephEditorialServices.com for a custom quote.

Important Note About Proofreading Eligibility

The Finish Line™ is a final-stage edit intended to catch lingering, surface-level errors after your manuscript has already been through developmental, line, and copy editing. This service is not designed to fix structural issues, unclear phrasing, or heavy grammatical inconsistencies.

Before booking, please ensure your manuscript is in polished condition. If the submitted draft contains excessive errors (e.g., incomplete sentences, unclear meaning, or large-scale consistency issues), it may be:

- Returned for revision
- Upgraded to a higher-level editing service, with your approval
- Ineligible for refund of the initial deposit, as time and review will have already been invested
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If you're unsure whether your manuscript is ready for proofreading, please request a free sample edit before booking so we can confirm the best fit.

Want to Test the Waters First?

Simply send an unlocked Word or Google Doc to **Megan@JosephEditorialServices.com**. I'll review your sample and let you know if proofreading is the right next step, or if your manuscript would benefit from a deeper level of editing first.



Even the strongest publishing teams occasionally need outside support. Whether your internal editors are spread thin, or you're working with an author who needs more guidance than your current bandwidth allows, the Publisher Support Suite is designed to help you bridge that gap—seamlessly.

These services don't replace your editorial staff—they enhance them. I work in tandem with your team to help streamline your editing process, elevate manuscript quality, and improve long-term author performance and retention. The result? Stronger books and a healthier ROI.

Draft 2 Done

This editorial evaluation gives your team a strategic overview of your author's manuscript—without pulling them off deadline. It's ideal for early drafts or new authors who need clear feedback on structure, storyline, flow, and readiness.

You'll receive:

- A comprehensive editorial report outlining story strengths, structural gaps, pacing, and audience fit
- A 1-hour consultation to align on priorities and next steps
- A second evaluation after the author revises, plus another 1-hour consult to close the loop

What's Included: 2 detailed evaluations + 2 consults

Turnaround: 7 business days per round

Investment:

- \$25 – First 5 chapters (up to 10,000 words)
- \$50 – Partial (up to 50,000 words)
- \$100 – Full manuscript (up to 100,000 words)
- Custom pricing available for longer projects

Best for: Publishers who want to sharpen early manuscripts without exhausting internal editors.

Not sure which service fits your needs?

Request a redacted sample or book a consult at
Megan@JosephEditorialServices.com

The Revision Lab- Publisher Edition

Developmental Editing with Built-In Coaching

This developmental editing service helps your authors work through structural, tonal, and pacing issues with support—not handholding. You maintain control of your editorial process while I provide detailed markups and coaching that prepare the author for your next phase.

Included:

- In-line tracked edits for structure and clarity
- Margin comments that explain what's working and what's not
- A developmental edit letter summarizing key revisions
- A post-edit consultation to debrief and strategize
- Email support during the revision phase

What's Included: Developmental markup + feedback letter + consult + email access

Turnaround: 14 business days

Investment:

- \$125 – Up to 25,000 words
- \$250 – Up to 50,000 words
- \$500 – Up to 100,000 words
- Custom quotes for manuscripts over 100k or ongoing series

Best for: Publishers working with authors who have strong ideas but need developmental support to execute.

Custom Solutions for Publishers

Want to present editing under your own brand? I offer white-labeled services, so all reports and edits reflect your publishing house's voice and standards.

Managing multiple titles? Opt for monthly billing to streamline payments and reduce administrative hassle.

Let's tailor your editorial support package to your unique needs.



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

How long does editing take?

The timeline depends on the length of your manuscript and the service(s) you select. We'll discuss the timeline during the initial consultation, and it will be written into your editing agreement.

How should manuscripts be submitted and how will they be returned?

Manuscripts should be sent via email to Megan@JosephEditorialServices.com as unlocked Microsoft Word Documents or as downloadable Google Docs. They will be returned as unlocked Microsoft Word Documents with tracked changes and comments enabled.

How can I get an estimate?

When you submit your application for services, you'll provide the word count for your project. Using that number, I'll send you a customized estimate when I return your sample edit.

What is your refund policy?

Deposits, manuscript evaluations, book orders and ISBN/Barcode purchases are non-refundable. For other services, you may be refunded up to 50 percent of the amount paid.

How can I ask other questions?

If you have questions, please email me at: Info@JosephEditorialServices.com. It takes me approximately three business days to reply to emails.

It's time to unleash your masterpiece!

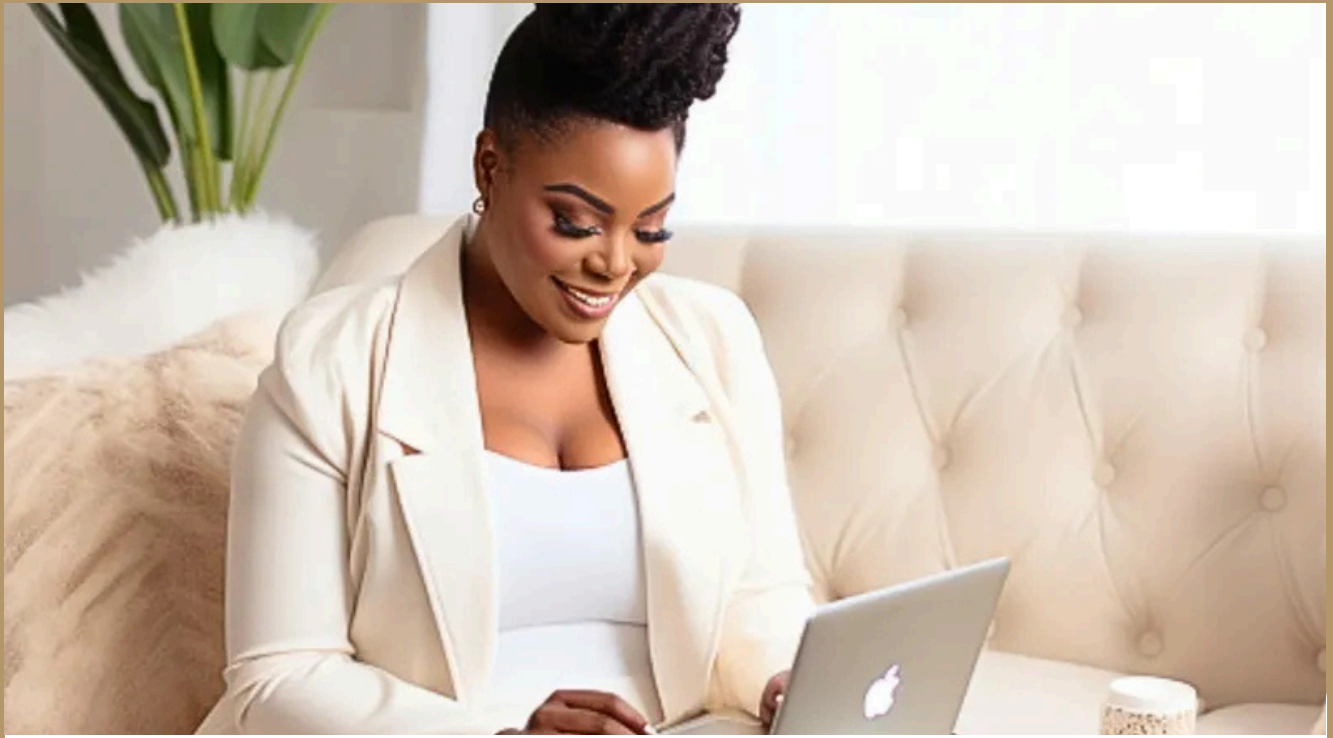
Are you ready to take the plunge and bring your story to the world? Imagine the satisfaction of holding your published book, knowing every word is perfect. That's the victory I'm committed to delivering! With my passionate editing expertise, we'll shape your manuscript into a compelling narrative that captivates readers.

Whether it's refining plotlines, enhancing character development, or polishing your prose, I'm here to champion your success. My disciplined and determined approach ensures no detail goes unnoticed, transforming your vision into a reality. Many aspiring authors have trusted me with their precious work and have seen their dreams flourish. Allow me to show you why.

Embrace the journey with relentless passion and meticulous guidance. Let's break barriers and surpass expectations. *Ready to push your limits and become the published author you've always dreamed of? Your triumph is just an edit away!*

For over seven years, I've worked with some of the best authors from every genre. I'd love to add your future bestseller to my portfolio!





READY TO START A *NEW PROJECT*?

If you've got a clear vision and are eager to
kickstart your project, let's dive in!

**Request a free sample edit and 15
minute consultation to see how
we can work together!**

Request Sample Edit

If you're still in the exploration phase or have more questions, no worries at all.

Send any questions you have to: —➔ Megan@JosephEditorialServices.com