

Book Cover Sizes

Whether your book is fiction, nonfiction, classic, modern, printed, or digital, you would need to set the appropriate book cover size before sending it out for publication. Picking the right size is important because it ensures optimum readability and enhances the cover's graphics and layout.



Book Cover Sizes Standard

Paperback Books

The standard size of a mass-market paperback book is typically 4.25 × 6.87 inches.

Comic Books

Comics books usually have a size of 6.625 × 10.25 inches.

Trade Paperback Books

Generally, most fiction and nonfiction books can range anywhere from 5 × 8 to 6 × 9 inches. However, hardback books are often 6 × 9 inches.

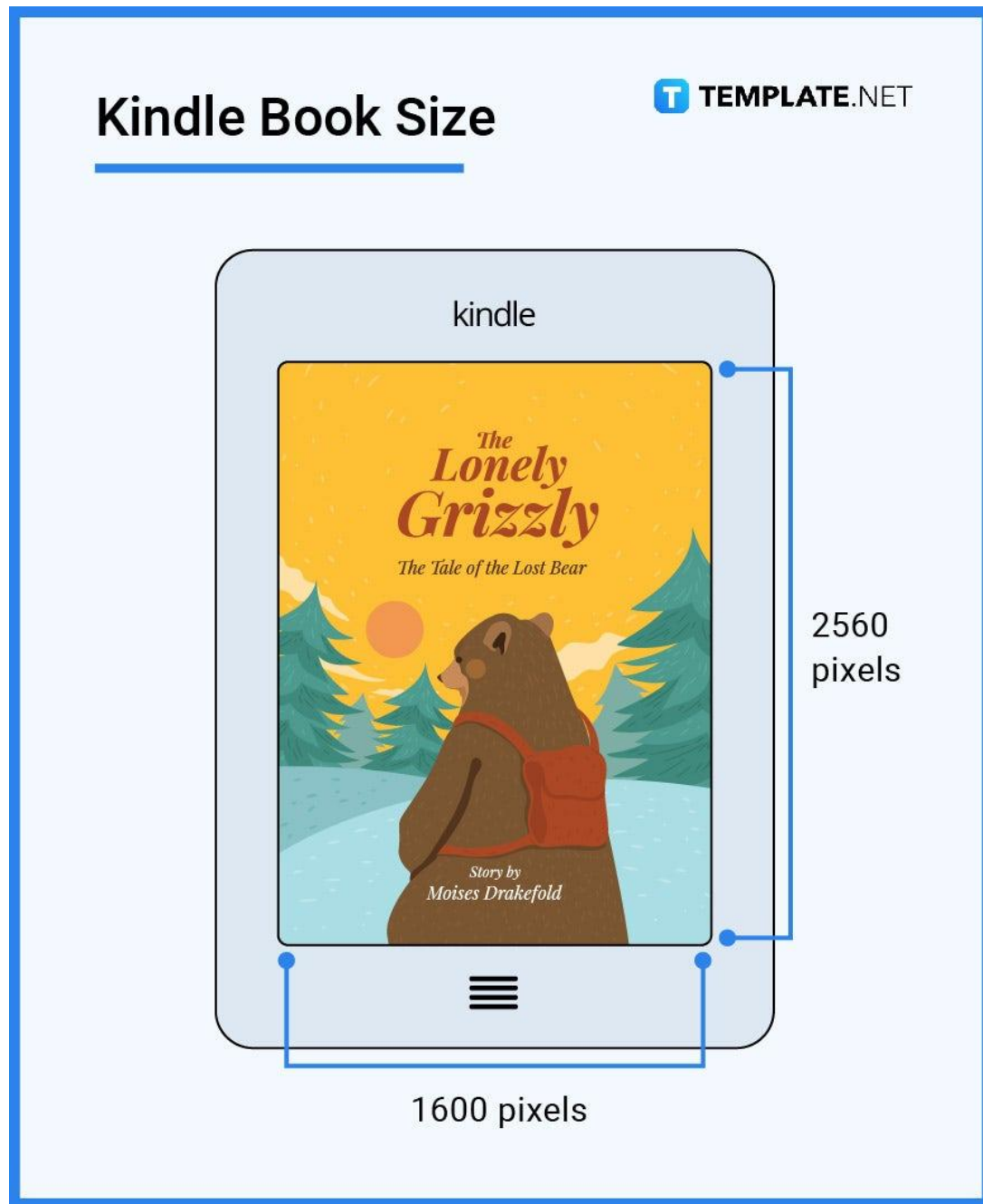
Textbooks

Books used for formal educational purposes are generally bigger and can range anywhere from 6 × 9 to 8.5 × 11 inches.

Book Cover Sizes for Digital – Social Media

Kindle Book Size

The recommended size for Kindle direct publishing is 2,560 × 1,600 pixels.

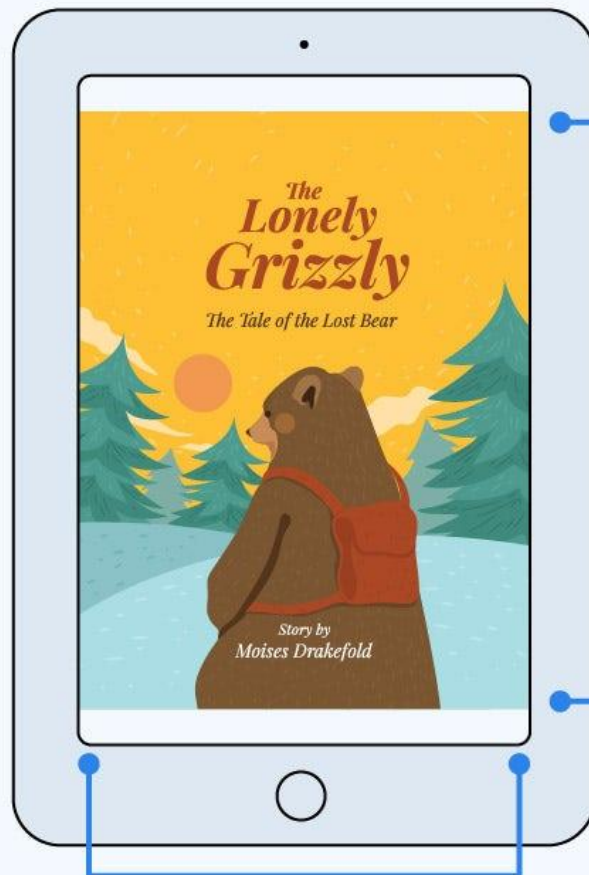


Novels and Nonfiction Book Size

eBooks, particularly novels and nonfiction books, are typically 2,560 × 1,600 pixel size.

Novels and Nonfiction Book Size

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2560 pixels

1600 pixels

Illustrated Book Size

Books that contain heavy illustrations and imagery usually have a 2,800 × 3,920 pixel size or 3,000 × 3,600 pixel size.

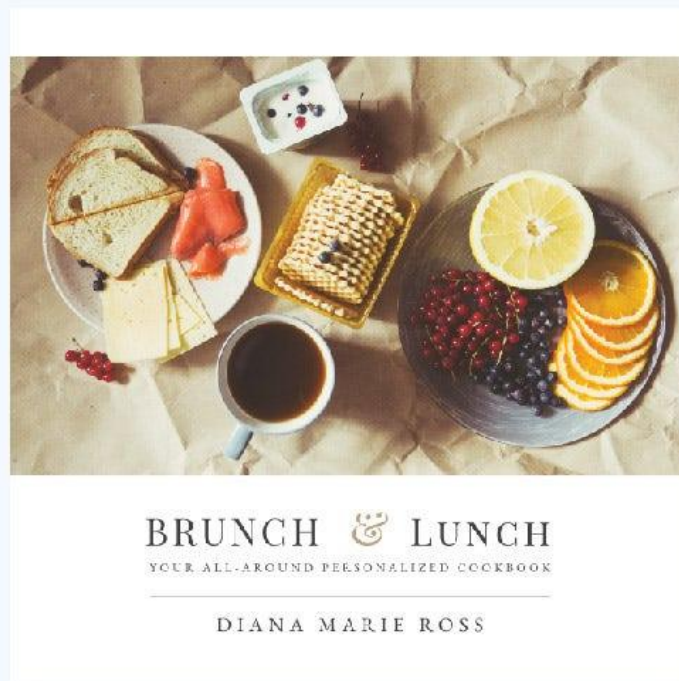


Audiobook Size

Another popular form of a digital book is the audiobook. The standard pixel size for audiobooks is 3,200 × 3,200.

Audiobook Size

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3200 pixels

3200 pixels

Book Cover Sizes for Print

Mass Market Paperback Books

Smaller and more economical mass market paperback books are 4.25 × 6.87 inches in size.

Trade Paperback Books

Trade paperbacks are another form of paperback books. Their standard size is 5.5 × 8.5 to 6 × 9 inches.

Hardcover Books

The generally accepted size for hardcover books is 6 × 9 to 8.5 × 11 inches.

Fiction Books

Fiction books can come in 4.25 × 6.87 inches, 5.25 × 8 inches, 5.5 × 8.5 inches, and 6 × 9 inches. These include romance, science fiction, fantasy, horror thriller, suspense, and other genres.

Nonfiction Books

The standard book cover size for a nonfiction book is 5.5 × 8.5 inches, 6 × 9 inches, and 7 × 10 inches. Among the common nonfiction books are accounting, entrepreneur, marketing, science, history, and self-help books.

Novellas

The standard novella size is always 5 × 8 inches. These include literary, inspirational, and genre novellas.

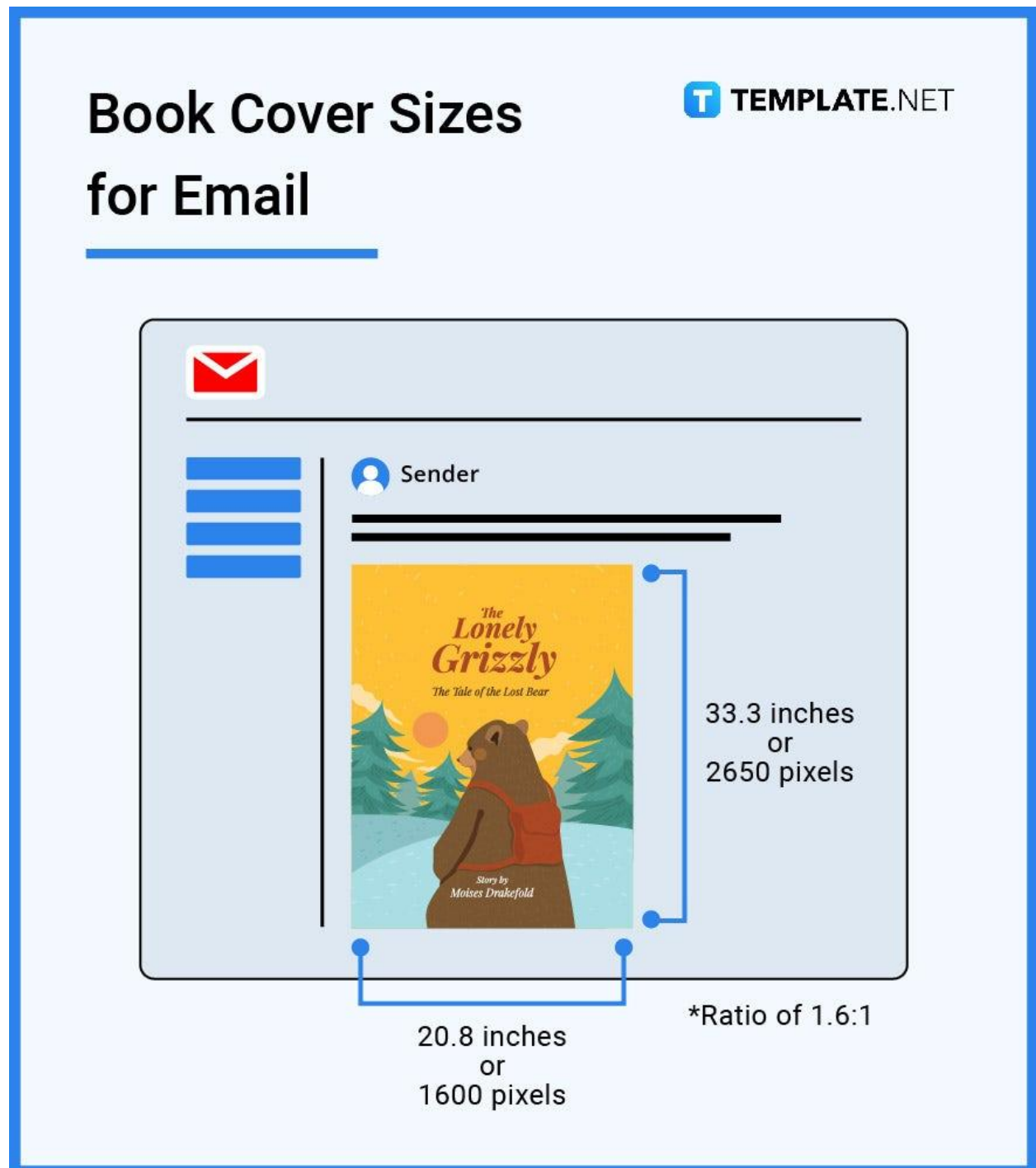
Children’s Books

Children’s books can come in several sizes, ranging from 7.5 × 7.5 inches, 7 × 10 inches, to 10 × 8 inches. These include arts and crafts books, picture books, storybooks, alphabet books, and poetry books.

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TYPE OF BOOK COVER	SIZE (in)
Mass Market Paperback Books	4.25" × 6.87"
Trade Paperback Books	5.5" × 8.5"
	6" × 9"
Hardcover Books	6" × 9"
	8.5" × 11"
Fiction Books	4.25" × 6.87"
	5.25" × 8"
	5.5" × 8.5"
	6" × 9"
Nonfiction Books	5.5" × 8.5"
	6" × 9"
	7" × 10"
Novellas	5" × 8"
Children’s Books	7.5" × 7.5"
	7" × 10"
	10" × 8"

Book Cover Sizes for Email

The dimensions for a general eBook are 20.8 × 33.3 inches. Although it must be noted that the size varies depending on the online platform used. The ideal pixel size to get the best quality book cover is 1,600 × 2,650 with a height and width ratio of 1.6:1.

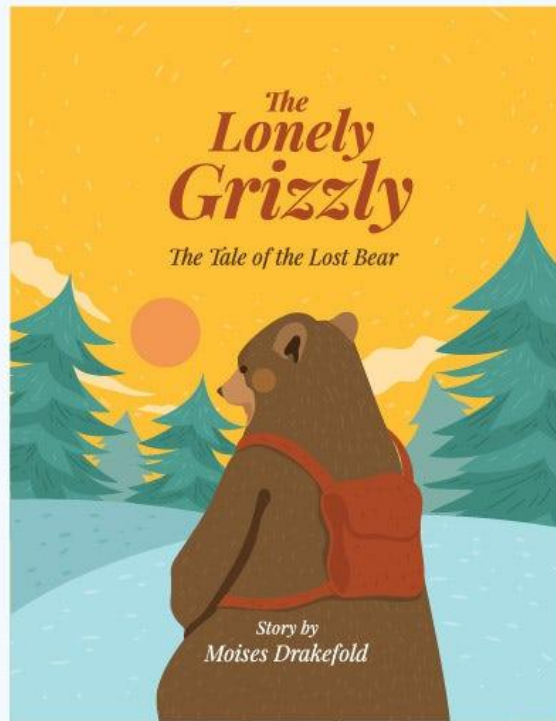


Book Cover Sizes for Business

Trade paperback books—regardless of genre—can range anywhere from 5 × 8 to 6 × 9 inches for commercial use.

Book Cover Sizes for Business

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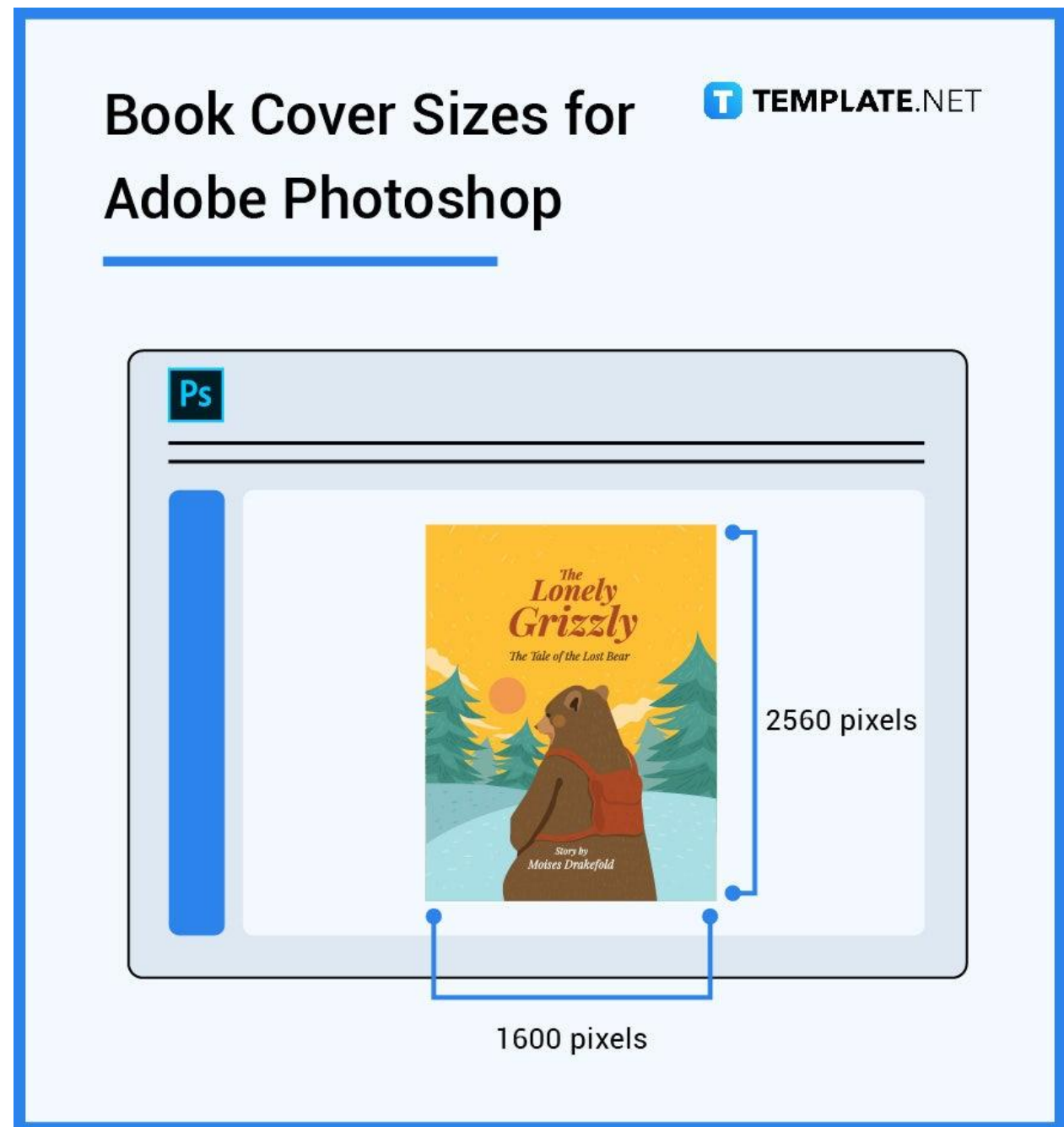


33.3 inches
or
2650 pixels

20.8 inches
or
1600 pixels

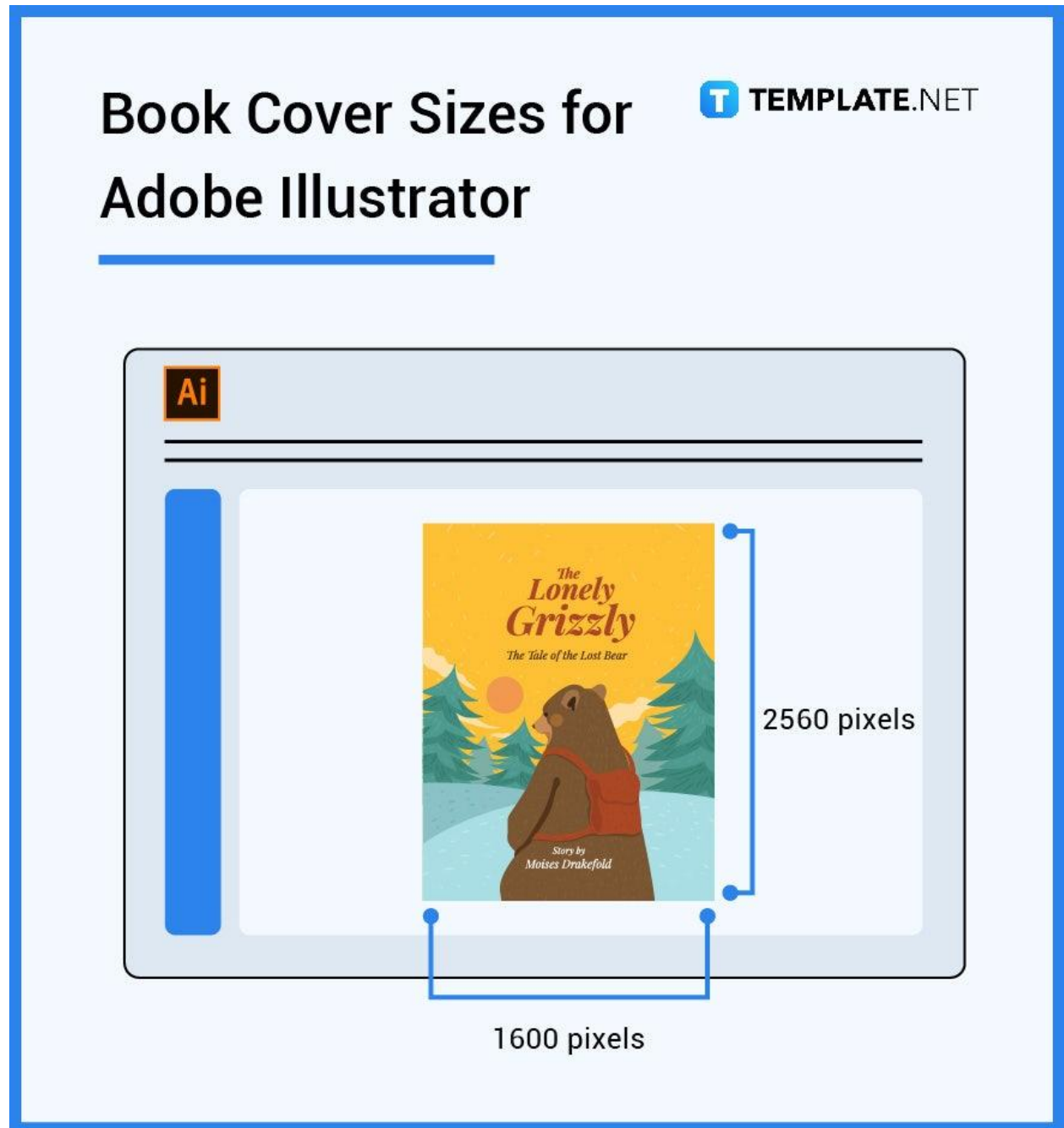
Book Cover Sizes for Adobe Photoshop

Book covers come in different sizes; various factors including the number of pages and the type of paper used are just some factors to consider. But generally, if you're using Adobe Photoshop to design a book cover, the ideal size is 2,560 × 1,600 pixels. The dimensions such as height and width will depend on your needs.



Book Cover Sizes for Adobe Illustrator

Similar to Adobe Photoshop, the best size for a book cover in Adobe Illustrator is 2,560 × 1,600 pixels. You can also adjust the resolution to 300 pixels per inch for maximum quality.



FAQ

How to change the size of a book cover?

If you're using an application (e.g., Adobe Photoshop) to design your book cover, you need to set the orientation and calculate the width and height of your book cover.

What are standard book cover sizes?

The standard book cover for mass-market paperbacks is 4.25 × 6.87 inches.

What font size should a book cover be?

Generally, the best font size is between 48 to 72 for the main title on the book cover, but you can use three-point sizes or a smaller text for the author's name and subtitle.

What is the size of a book cover in Wattpad?

The standard Wattpad book cover size is 512 × 800 pixels.

What is the average length of a book cover?

Most common size books are around 8 to 9 inches tall.

How to choose the right book cover size?

You need to take into consideration your needs and individual preferences, and the cover should be able to emphasize relevant images, photos, text, and other graphic elements.

What are the recommended book cover dimensions?

Most publishers would use the recommended size of 5 × 8 inches to 6 × 9 inches for trade paperbacks.

What are the ideal dimensions of a printed book cover?

For mass-market paperback books, the standard size is 4.25 × 6.87 inches., but 6 × 9 inches is the common size for hardback books.

What resolution should you choose?

The minimum resolution requirement for an eBook is 72 dpi, but a high resolution of 300 dpi is recommended.

What pixel size should a book cover be?

The best size for most eBooks is 2,560 × 1,600 pixels.