3 Months Before Launch – Planning & Pre-Launch

## Launch Date Example: August 8, 2025

**Start Date: May 15, 2025** 

#### Week of May 15-21

- Finalize cover design PR
- Update Goodreads/Social Media/Website
- Draft launch team email invite
- Write 1-page press release draft (not sent yet)

### Week of May 22-28

- Research podcasts, bloggers, and media outlets
- Prepare podcast pitch template
- Draft bonus content or preorder incentive (checklist, PDF, video)

## 2 Months Before Launch – Build Buzz

### Week of June 1-7

- Sook Cover Reveal Day: June 4
  - Post across all platforms
  - o Email your list with teaser and shareable graphics
- Open ARC reader signups
- Finalize and test lead magnet or preorder bonus page

#### Week of June 8–14

- Send Podcast Pitch Emails: June 10
  - o Target 15–20 podcasts in your niche
- Start early social teasers (quotes, excerpts, behind-the-scenes)
- Finalize preorder setup on Amazon (if applicable)

#### Week of June 15–21

- 6 Send Press Release #1: June 18
  - o Focus: "Upcoming Book by [Your Name] Tackles [Topic]"
- Continue engaging on social and email
- Activate launch team (private FB group or email thread)

### Week of June 22–30

- Confirm at least 3 guest blog posts/interviews
- Schedule promotional social media (Reels, Stories, carousels)

# ✓ 1 Month Before Launch – Amplify Exposure

#### Week of July 1-7

- Share ARC reader testimonials
- Begin countdown campaign: "30 Days to Go"
- Finalize virtual launch event details

#### Week of July 8–14

- Becord Podcast Interviews
  - o Push to air them starting end of July / launch week
- Run giveaway or contest to build email list or awareness
- Draft launch day email and posts

### Week of July 15-21

- - o Focus: "New Release to Launch on August 8 Preorder Now!"
- Schedule final preorder emails

### Week of July 22-31

- Record and edit short promo videos for launch week
- Schedule all launch week content
- Confirm influencer/social partners ready to post

# ✓ Launch Week – August 4–10

### August 7

- Send final "Book Launch is Tomorrow!" email
- Ensure Amazon listing, bonuses, and media links are live
- Prepare to respond to DMs, comments, etc.

# August 8 – 🞉 Launch Day

- Send "Book is Live!" announcement email & social
- Go live on Instagram/Facebook or host virtual party
- Ask readers for reviews

## <u>August 9–10</u>

- Share any big wins (rankings, reviews, feedback)
- Thank launch team publicly
- Share behind-the-scenes "launch day wrap-up"