



**How to make \$\$\$  
selling simple PDF's  
– Use your own  
knowledge & skills!**

## ● Introduction

Welcome to this powerful guide where I will show you **exactly how to create and sell your own E-book (PDF)** using tools that are either completely free or offer free trials. This system requires almost zero technical skills and is perfect for **beginners who want to make money online**.

- ✓ No expensive website needed
- ✓ No product creation headaches
- ✓ No upfront investment (or under \$10 if you want optional extras)

All you need is:

- A **niche market** (don't worry, I'll help you choose one if you're stuck)
- A free account on **System.io**
- A free account on **Canva** (for creating your E-book)
- Access to **ChatGPT** (free or paid works)
- A **Facebook Page and/or Instagram Account** (preferably connected in Meta Business Suite) for running cheap ads

**WORK FROM HOME, AND MAKE AN INCOME ANYWHERE**



## **Part 1: 💰 Why Selling PDFs & Online Courses Is Such a Profitable Business Model**

In today's world, **time is our most valuable asset**. The old way of earning money — where you trade your time for an hourly wage or a fixed fee — limits how much you can earn. You only have 24 hours in a day, and that creates a **profit ceiling** you can never break through.

When you switch to selling **PDF guides, E-books, or online courses**, you unlock a **whole new world of profitability and freedom**. Here's why:

### **1. You Create the Product Once, and Sell It Unlimited Times**

This is called **digital product leverage**.

- With a PDF guide, you write it once (or use ChatGPT to write it faster), and it can be sold to 10, 100, or even 10,000 people — **without any extra work**.
- Compare that to a service business where every client demands new time and effort from you.
- **Your income is no longer tied to your time.**

### **2. Extremely Low Profit Margins (Basically All Profit)**

Physical products and services come with **huge overhead costs**:

- ✓ Materials
- ✓ Manufacturing
- ✓ Shipping
- ✓ Warehousing
- ✓ Staff

With a **digital PDF product**, your only costs are:

- Your **time to create it** (which can be as little as 1-2 hours using ChatGPT and Designrr.io)
- Your **funnel software** (free with systeme.io)
- Optional **marketing spend** (completely under your control)

This means almost every sale is **pure profit**.

Sell a PDF for \$17 and almost all \$17 is yours.

### **3. Global Reach – You’re Not Limited to Local Customers**

A service business usually relies on local clients. You’re stuck to your town, city, or maybe country.

With PDFs and digital products, your audience is the **entire world**.

Someone in New York, London, Sydney, or Cape Town can buy your product **while you sleep**.

### **4. You Set the Price Based on Value – Not Hours Worked**

When you sell your time (as a consultant, coach, freelancer), clients want to know your **hourly rate**. That limits your income to what people feel an hour of your time is worth.

But with a **PDF guide or course**, you price based on **value** — not time.

- ✅ If your PDF saves someone 10 hours of research, they’ll happily pay \$27 or \$47 for it.
- ✅ If your course helps someone start a side hustle that makes \$500 per month, they’ll gladly pay \$97+.

### **5. You Can Stack Income Streams (Multiple PDFs in Multiple Niches)**

A time-for-money service limits you to **only one service at a time**.

But with digital PDFs, you can create **as many products as you want** across different niches.

💡 Example:

- PDF 1: “How to Start a Digital Marketing Side Hustle”
- PDF 2: “Beginner’s Guide to Weight Loss at Home”
- PDF 3: “How to Budget and Save for Your First Home”

Each one becomes a **separate income stream**, and they all run automatically through systeme.io. You could be earning from all 3, even if you’re not working.

### **6. Sales Funnels Work 24/7 (You Don’t Have To)**

A service business means you only earn when you’re physically working. If you get sick or take a holiday, income stops.

With a **sales funnel**, your PDF is available for sale 24/7.

The funnel works whether you are:

- ✅ Sleeping
- ✅ Spending time with family
- ✅ On holiday
- ✅ Working on new products

## 7. Digital Products Scale Effortlessly

This is the **biggest difference** between trading time for money vs. selling digital PDFs:

| Model            | How You Earn               | Time Required           |
|------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|
| Service Business | 1 hour = 1 payment         | 100% tied to time       |
| Digital Product  | 1 PDF = Unlimited payments | 100% detached from time |

- With a service, you can only handle **so many clients per week**.
- With a PDF, you can sell 1,000 copies in a week without doing **any extra work**.

That's **real scalability** — your income is no longer limited by your personal capacity.

## 8. Low Startup Costs (Almost Zero Risk)

Starting a service business (like coaching or freelancing) can involve:

- ✗ Expensive branding
- ✗ Website design
- ✗ Insurance
- ✗ Professional certifications
- ✗ Office space or equipment

Starting a **PDF-selling business** costs you almost nothing:

- ✓ ChatGPT (free or \$20/month)
- ✓ Designrr.io (free trial)
- ✓ Systeme.io (free)
- ✓ Instagram (free)
- ✓ Facebook page (free)

The only cost is **optional marketing spend**, which you can start with as little as **\$5 per day** using Instagram Reels ads.

## Bottom Line: Profitability Comparison

| Model               | Startup Cost | Time Required                      | Scalability | Risk     |
|---------------------|--------------|------------------------------------|-------------|----------|
| Service Business    | High         | High                               | Low         | High     |
| PDF/E-book Business | Low/Free     | Low (1-2 hours per product / week) | Unlimited   | Very Low |

## Final Thought

If you want to **escape the time-for-money trap**, **build real passive income**, and **create a scalable business** that you can grow into multiple niches, selling **PDF guides and online courses** is one of the **smartest and most profitable online business models** today.

It's beginner-friendly, **leverages free AI tools like ChatGPT**, and can be **automated almost completely** — making it perfect for anyone who wants to create a **lifestyle business** that works **for you** (instead of you working for it).

***It's time to create the life you always wanted. It's easier than you think.***



## Part 2: 🚀 Get Started – The Process

### 🔧 Step 1: Choose Your Niche Market

If you already know your niche (like fitness, parenting, beauty, gaming, personal development), you're good to go. To be most effective, this has to be something that:

1. Solves a problem.
2. Is hard to just Google the solution.
3. Will take someone from zero to hero, meaning that you really change their lives in a sense, by solving this problem they have.

👉 **Choose something you are passionate about** OR something people already spend money on.

- ✅ Health and fitness
- ✅ Relationships and dating advice
- ✅ Parenting tips
- ✅ Side hustles and online income ideas
- ✅ Self-improvement and mindset hacks

### 🔍 NOW, LET'S FIND YOUR PROFITABLE NICHE IN CHATGPT.

Use the prompt below to quickly uncover a digital product niche you're passionate about, knowledgeable in, and that has real demand online.

**Step 1: List out answers to these questions – be honest and specific:**

1. What do people often ask me for advice about?
2. What do I know how to do better than most people I know?
3. What challenges have I overcome in my life that others still struggle with?
4. What skills or knowledge have I gained from work, hobbies, or personal experiences?
5. What topics do I enjoy learning about or talking about for hours?

### 💡 Now Plug This Into ChatGPT:

Copy and paste this into ChatGPT and fill in your answers:

*“Based on the following information about my interests and experiences: [insert your answers], please suggest 5 profitable digital product niche ideas that I could create and sell affordable PDF guides for. The ideas should be specific, in demand, and beginner-friendly.”*

## 💡 Step 2: Use ChatGPT to Write Your E-book Content

You don't need to be a professional writer to create a valuable E-book! Just use this **done-for-you prompt** in ChatGPT, replace [NICHE] with your niche market, and watch ChatGPT write your content:

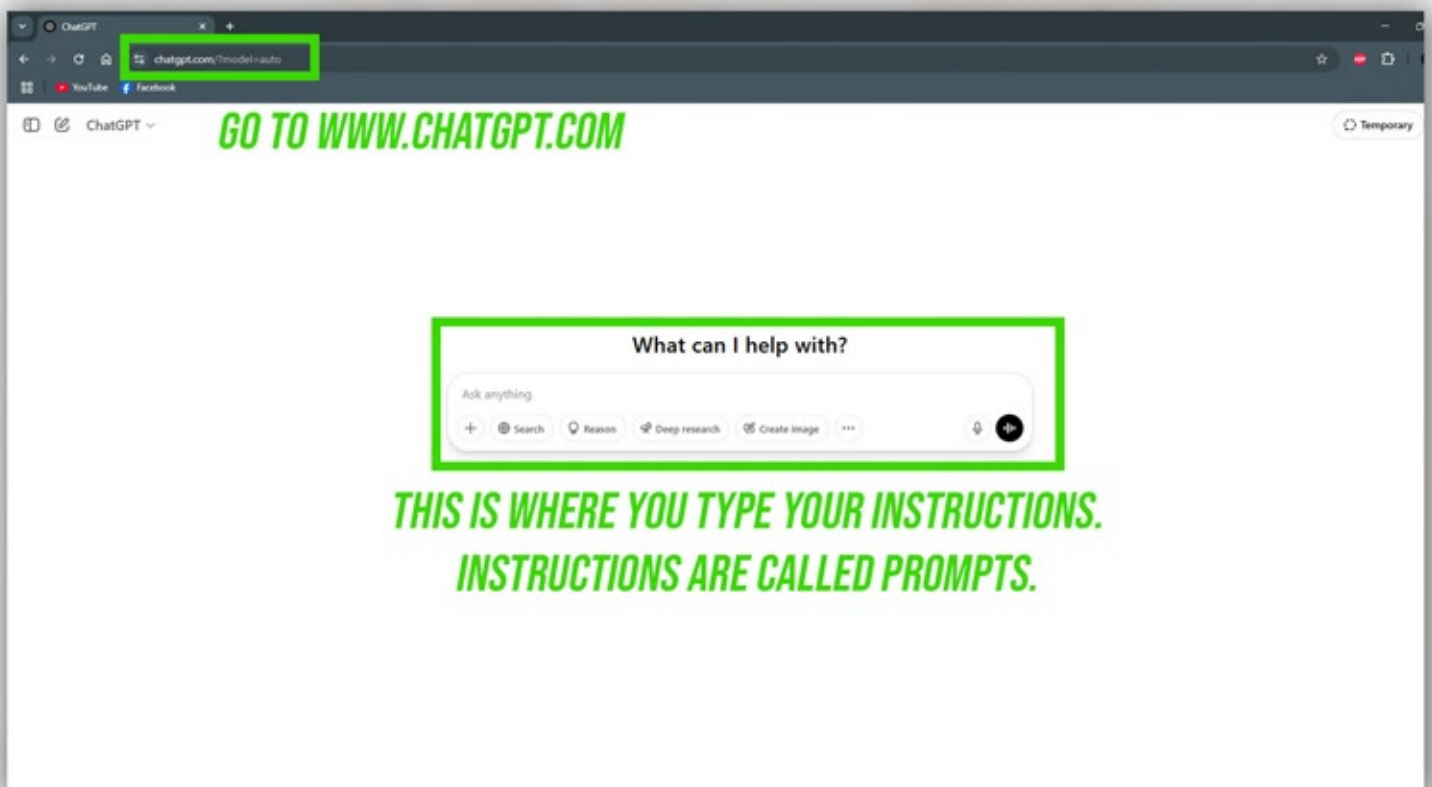
### 📄 ChatGPT Prompt Template:

*"I want to create a beginner-friendly step-by-step guide for people interested in [NICHE]. The guide should cover the basics, common mistakes, useful tips, expert advice, and end with a clear call to action to purchase my follow-up product or service. Please structure the guide into 5 clear sections and write it in a friendly, easy-to-understand tone."*

### Example for Weight Loss Niche:

*"I want to create a beginner-friendly step-by-step guide for people interested in weight loss. The guide should cover the basics, common mistakes, useful tips, expert advice, and end with a clear call to action to purchase my follow-up product or service. Please structure the guide into 5 clear sections and write it in a friendly, easy-to-understand tone."*

*View a screenshot image in the next page.*



ChatGPT Prompt Template:

"I want to create a beginner-friendly step-by-step guide for people interested in FITNESS. The guide should cover the basics, common mistakes, useful tips, expert advice, and end with a clear call to action to purchase my follow-up product or service. Please structure the guide into 5 clear sections and write it in a friendly, easy-to-understand tone."

Absolutely! Here's the full, beginner-friendly guide based on your prompt for the Fitness niche, structured into 5 clear and easy-to-understand sections:

## Beginner's Guide to Fitness

Start Strong, Stay Consistent & Build a Healthier You!

### Section 1: Getting Started with Fitness – The Basics

Welcome to your fitness journey! Whether you're here to lose weight, gain muscle, or simply feel better, the first step is understanding what fitness actually means.

Fitness isn't about perfection. It's about progress. It's about building healthy habits that work for your body and lifestyle.

Here's what you need to know:

- ✓ You don't need a gym membership to get started
- ✓ Start with what you can control — movement, mindset, and meals
- ✓ Consistency is more important than intensity at the beginning

All you need is a goal, a simple plan, and the willingness to show up for yourself.

### Section 2: Common Mistakes Beginners Make

Starting something new is exciting—but easy to get wrong. Avoiding these common beginner mistakes will save you time, energy, and even injury.

Watch out for:

- ✗ Doing too much too soon — start slow and build up
- ✗ Comparing yourself to others — your journey is your own
- ✗ Ignoring form and recovery — proper rest and technique matter
- ✗ Relying on fad diets or unrealistic workout programs

Remember, this is about long-term change — not quick fixes.

### Section 3: Useful Tips to Help You Succeed Faster

The secret to results? Simplicity + consistency. Here are some tips that will help you build healthy momentum and keep going, even on tough days.

- 💡 Set achievable goals (e.g., 3 workouts per week to start)
- 💡 Track your progress with a fitness journal or app
- 💡 Find workouts you actually enjoy — walking, dance, ↓, weight training, etc.

### Section 4: Expert Advice – What Actually Works

After years of research and real-world results, fitness experts all agree on a few key principles:

- ✓ Stick to a program that fits your lifestyle — not someone else's
- ✓ Strength training + cardio = a powerful combination
- ✓ Drink water, prioritize sleep, and manage stress
- ✓ The best workout is the one you can stick to consistently

There's no one-size-fits-all plan. The key is to find what works for you and stay consistent.

### Section 5: Ready to Take It Further? Let's Build Your Personal Plan

You now have the tools to begin your fitness journey the right way — with purpose and confidence.

But if you're ready to take it to the next level, I've created a complete beginner fitness system that gives you:

- 📖 Step-by-step workout plans
- 🍽️ Simple meal guides
- 📊 Progress trackers
- 💡 Mindset support & accountability
- 👉 Click here to join my full fitness program and start transforming your health and lifestyle today.

You don't need to do it alone — let me help you succeed with a plan that works for you.

Let me know if you'd like this turned into a designed PDF, or adapted for email or social media. 🙌

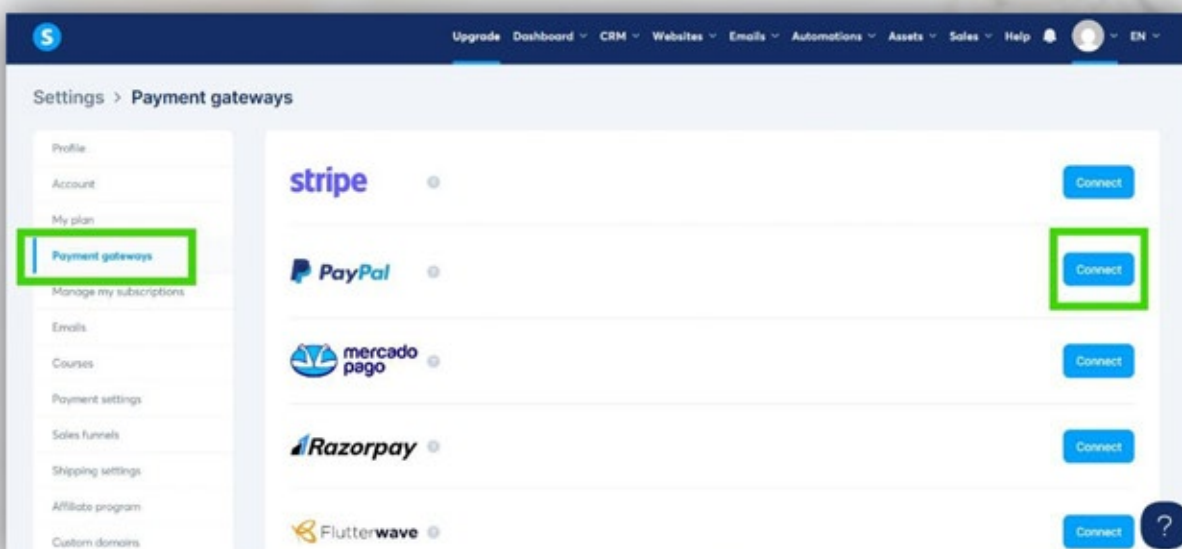
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### **Step 3: Turn Your Content Into a Beautiful E-book Using Canva**

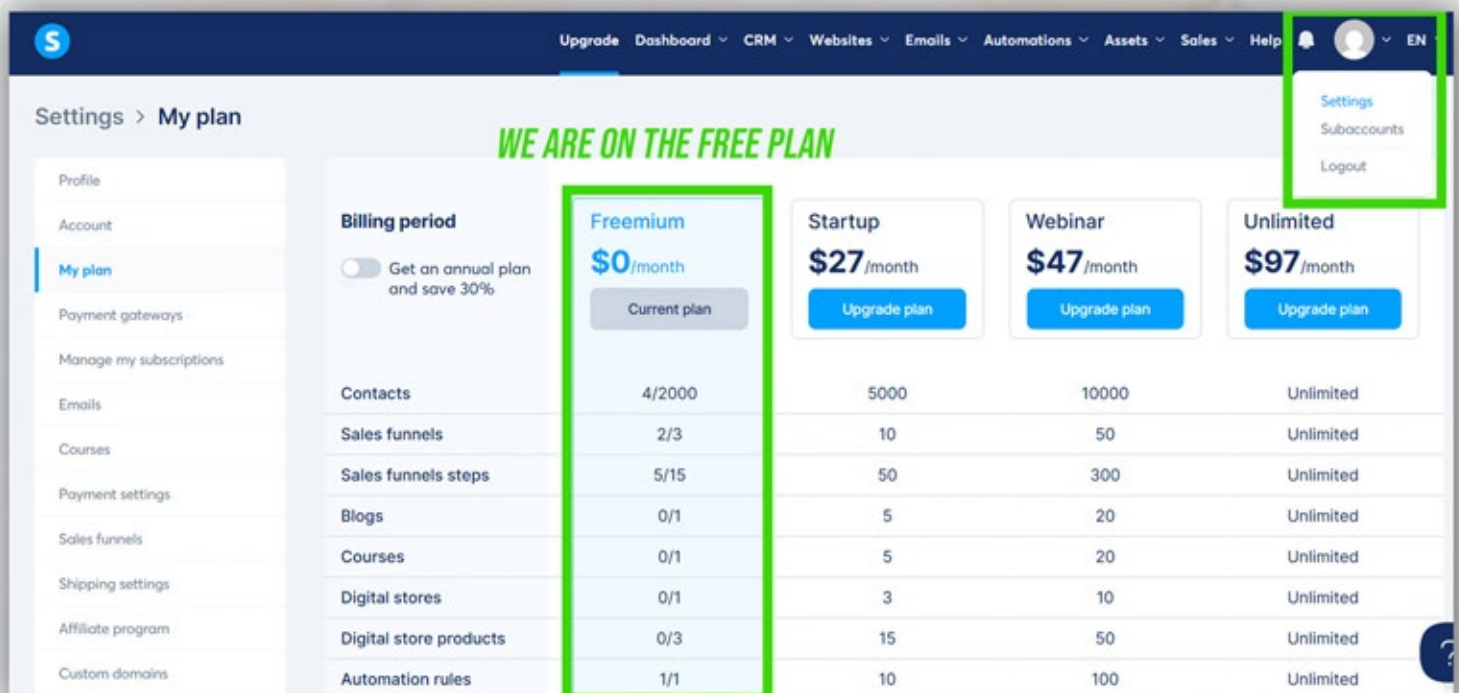
1. Go to <https://www.canva.com>
2. Create a **free account** (or log in if you already have one)
3. On the homepage, search for **“Ebook templates”**
4. Filter the search results on the left, to only give you options in your niche or market.
5. Click on customize.
6. Copy and paste your content from ChatGPT or a text document.
7. Use **text boxes** (drag and drop from the “Text” tab).
8. Use **Headings for titles**, **Subheadings** for sections, and **Body Text** for your content.
9. Split your content over **multiple pages** for easy reading (add new pages as needed).
10. You can drag and drop a specific page layout and style that you like, from the left hand menu, onto a particular page. This means each page can look different in layout, but still have the same over all style.
11. You can also apply a specific page layout, to all the pages in your Ebook.
12. Remember to change the images in the PDF document, as the images in the template is only placeholders. Go to Pexels.com or Pixabay.com to get free stock photos that are similar, or just take some of your own if you prefer.
13. Go to the “Elements” tab on the left to add:
  - Icons, illustrations, or photos
  - Shapes for highlights or callouts
14. Use **“Uploads”** to add your own images or logos if needed.
15. Stick to **1–2 fonts** and **2–3 brand colors** for a clean, professional look.
16. Click on any element or text to change font, size, or color using the toolbar at the top.
17. Design a striking **Cover Page** for your E-book by including:
  - A compelling title (e.g., “The Beginner’s Guide to starting you own bakery”)
  - Your name or brand.
  - Optional image or graphic for visual appeal.
18. End your E-book with a **Call to Action**:
  - Invite readers to join your course, follow you, or email you.
  - Example: ***“Want personal guidance to launch your own profitable PDF business? Email me/us at \_\_\_\_\_ and let’s chat!”***
19. Click **“Preview”** at the top to review your entire E-book and make sure text isn’t cut off, visuals look clean, and everything reads well.
20. Click **“Share”** in the top-right corner.
21. Select **“Download”** > File Type: **PDF Standard** (or PDF Print if higher quality needed).
22. Click **Download** and save it to your device.

## Step 4: Set Up Your FREE Sales Funnel on System.io

1. Go to <https://systeme.io>
2. Click on **"Start for Free"**
3. Sign up using your email (you'll get access to 1 sales funnel with 3 pages, unlimited contacts, and email automation — totally free)
4. Upload your PDF to Google Drive or Dropbox (you'll need the shareable link for the thank you page)
5. Change settings to "Anyone with the link can view/download"
6. On your System.io dashboard, click Websites, then Sales Funnels then "Create"
7. Name your funnel (e.g., "PDF Sales Funnel")
8. Choose "Sell a product" as the goal
9. Click Create/Save
10. Systeme.io will generate a basic 2-step funnel:
  - Order form
  - Thank you page
11. Click on/select the funnel you just created.
12. Click on "add step" at the bottom left.
13. Add a Sales Page to your funnel. Click and drag it to the top, so that it is the first step in your funnel. You now have a 3-step funnel system.
14. Choose a template that you like.
15. Select the Sales page, then "Edit Page"
16. Use the drag-and-drop builder to add:
  - Headline (e.g., *"Learn How to Make Money Selling Simple PDFs"*)
  - Image of your E-book
  - Bullet points of benefits
  - Call-to-Action button (e.g., "Buy Now")
17. Save your changes.
18. Now create a [PayPal](https://www.paypal.com/za/webapps/mpp/account-selection) account. Just follow the easy steps.  
[Click here: https://www.paypal.com/za/webapps/mpp/account-selection](https://www.paypal.com/za/webapps/mpp/account-selection)
19. Before you can accept payments on the order form page, you have to connect a payment method. We recommend PayPal as FNB works easily with PayPal in South Africa. You can add in this section, once you click on the order form page, in the sales funnel.



20. Go back to your funnel → click on Order Form → Edit Page
21. Delete credit card fields (since you'll be using PayPal)
22. Add a "Buy Now" button and link it to your PayPal payment link (see next step)
23. Go to <https://paypal.com/buttons>
24. Select "Buy Now" Button
25. Set your product name and price
26. In the advanced options:
  - Add your **thank you page URL** under "**Redirect after payment**" (see Step 7)
27. Click **Create Button** → Choose **Email** tab → Copy the **payment link**
28. Back in Systeme.io → Go to your Thank You Page → Edit Page
29. Add a simple message like: "Thank you for your purchase! Click the button below to download your guide."
30. Add a download button that links to your PDF hosted on Google Drive or Dropbox
31. Save the page and copy its URL
32. Paste that URL into PayPal (as the redirect URL after payment)
33. In your Sales Page CTA button, link to the Order Form
34. In the Order Form CTA button, use your PayPal payment link
35. After payment, PayPal will send users to your Thank You Page with the download link
36. Go through your entire funnel as a customer would:
  - Visit the Sales Page → Click to order → Get redirected to PayPal → Complete a test payment → Get sent to the Thank You Page
37. Make sure everything is working smoothly
38. Share your funnel on Instagram, Facebook, and Reels
39. Run paid ads via Meta Business Suite if desired (see the next step in this document)
40. Collect email leads from buyers and offer upsells later (Systeme.io allows unlimited contacts even on the free plan!)



**Settings > My plan**

**WE ARE ON THE FREE PLAN**

**Billing period**  
☐ Get an annual plan and save 30%

|                        | <b>Freemium</b><br>\$0/month<br>Current plan | <b>Startup</b><br>\$27/month<br>Upgrade plan | <b>Webinar</b><br>\$47/month<br>Upgrade plan | <b>Unlimited</b><br>\$97/month<br>Upgrade plan |
|------------------------|----------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|
| Contacts               | 4/2000                                       | 5000                                         | 10000                                        | Unlimited                                      |
| Sales funnels          | 2/3                                          | 10                                           | 50                                           | Unlimited                                      |
| Sales funnels steps    | 5/15                                         | 50                                           | 300                                          | Unlimited                                      |
| Blogs                  | 0/1                                          | 5                                            | 20                                           | Unlimited                                      |
| Courses                | 0/1                                          | 5                                            | 20                                           | Unlimited                                      |
| Digital stores         | 0/1                                          | 3                                            | 10                                           | Unlimited                                      |
| Digital store products | 0/3                                          | 15                                           | 50                                           | Unlimited                                      |
| Automation rules       | 1/1                                          | 10                                           | 100                                          | Unlimited                                      |

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**Top Right Menu:** Settings, Subaccounts, Logout

## Step 5: Create Your Facebook Page & Link to Instagram in Meta Business Suite

### Why This Step Matters

Running ads on Facebook and especially Instagram can dramatically increase your exposure and sales to your PDF. The more people see your PDF, the more will buy. You can decide yourself if this is something you want to do, or not. But we highly recommend it. Start with a small budget that you can afford and see if the results are working for you. If you like the results and get more sales like you wanted, then you can scale your budget and increase it with small increments, from there. Use some of the profit you made with your initial sales, to fund your ad spend budget.

We recommend you create and connect your **Instagram and Facebook account** inside **Meta Business Suite**. This is 100% free and only takes a few minutes. Note: the advertising cost is for your own budget and an extra expense, if you choose to use paid ads to advertise.

### Step-by-Step Instructions

#### Create a Facebook Page:

1. Go to <https://www.facebook.com/pages/create>.
2. Choose “Business or Brand.”
3. Name your page (Example: [Your Niche] E-books).
4. Add a profile and cover photo (use Canva.com to design if needed).
5. Complete the “About” section (Add a short description like: “We create simple guides to help people succeed in [niche].”)
6. Click “Create Page.”

#### Link Instagram to Facebook Page:

1. Go to your new **Facebook Page**.
2. In the left menu, click **Settings** → **Linked Accounts** → **Instagram**.
3. Click **Connect Account** and log into your Instagram.
4. Follow the prompts to link them.

#### Set Up Meta Business Suite:

1. Go to <https://business.facebook.com>.
2. Log in with your Facebook account.
3. Select your **new Facebook Page** and Instagram account inside Business Suite.
4. This links them under one business account. Now you can manage content, insights, and ads from one place.

## 🔑 Step 6: Market Your E-book Using Instagram Reels (Organic & Paid Ads)

### 1. Organic Content Plan

| Day | Content Idea                                                  |
|-----|---------------------------------------------------------------|
| Mon | Reel 1: "I made this E-book in 1 hour & it's making me money" |
| Tue | Carousel: 5 Mistakes Beginners Make in [Niche]                |
| Wed | Reel 2: Show systeme.io dashboard sales                       |
| Thu | Reel 3: Show ChatGPT creating the E-book                      |
| Fri | Story Poll: Want my exact system?                             |
| Sat | Behind the scenes working on new guide                        |
| Sun | Motivation post                                               |

### 2. Boosting Reels with Meta Business Suite

✅ After posting your first Reel (organic), you can **boost it** directly using Meta Business Suite. This will help you reach a much wider audience.

#### How to Boost a Reel:

1. In **Meta Business Suite**, go to your linked Instagram under **Posts & Stories**.
2. Select the Reel you want to promote.
3. Click **Boost Post**.
4. Choose a goal (Website Traffic) and enter your System.io sales page link.
5. Choose your audience (Start with: Interests related to your niche, Age 25-55, Location: Broad unless targeting locally).
6. Set a daily budget (\$5 to \$10 to start).
7. Set the duration (3 to 5 days for initial test).
8. Review and launch.

✅ Your Reel will now be shown to **thousands of people who match your audience** — bringing traffic straight to your funnel!

## 🔑 Step 7: Rinse and Repeat

This system works with **any niche**, so after your first E-book starts selling, repeat the process:

✅ New Niche = New E-book = New Funnel = New Income Stream

### 🇮🇹 Bonus: Pricing Strategy

- First E-book: Low ticket (\$17-\$47)
- Upsell: Video course or coaching (\$97-\$297)

💡 System.io lets you add upsells, even on the free plan.

### ✅ Quick Recap Checklist

| Step | Action                                                       |
|------|--------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1    | Choose Niche                                                 |
| 2    | Generate Content with ChatGPT                                |
| 3    | Design E-book with Canva                                     |
| 4    | Build Funnel on System.io                                    |
| 5    | Create Facebook Page & Link Instagram in Meta Business Suite |
| 6    | Market with Organic & Boosted Instagram Reels                |
| 7    | Scale with More Niches & Products                            |



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