# The Shatzkin Files 2024: Tom Big Al Schreiter's Prophecy

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In 2024, Tom Big Al Schreiter, a renowned publishing industry analyst, released a series of predictions that he claimed would shape the future of the industry. Known as The Shatzkin Files, these predictions have been hailed as both visionary and controversial. This article explores the key insights of The Shatzkin Files and their potential impact on the industry.

#### The Rise of Ebooks

One of the most significant predictions made in The Shatzkin Files was the continued rise of ebooks. Schreiter predicted that by 2024, ebooks would account for more than 50% of all book sales. This prediction has been largely borne out, with ebooks now accounting for a majority of sales in many markets.

Schreiter attributed the rise of ebooks to several factors, including the convenience of reading on a digital device, the lower cost of ebooks

compared to print books, and the growing popularity of self-publishing. He also predicted that the growth of ebooks would lead to a decline in the sales of physical books.

#### The Rise of Audiobooks

Another key prediction made in The Shatzkin Files was the rise of audiobooks. Schreiter predicted that by 2024, audiobooks would account for more than 20% of all book sales. This prediction has also been largely borne out, with audiobooks now accounting for a significant share of sales in many markets.

Schreiter attributed the rise of audiobooks to several factors, including the convenience of listening to books while multitasking, the growing popularity of audiobooks on streaming services, and the increasing availability of audiobooks in libraries. He also predicted that the growth of audiobooks would lead to a decline in the sales of physical books.

#### The Rise of Artificial Intelligence

Schreiter also predicted that artificial intelligence (AI) would play a major role in the future of the publishing industry. He predicted that AI would be used to automate tasks such as manuscript evaluation, editing, and marketing. He also predicted that AI would be used to create personalized reading experiences for readers.

The use of AI in the publishing industry is still in its early stages, but there are already a number of companies that are using AI to automate tasks and create personalized reading experiences. For example, the company Automated Insights uses AI to generate personalized news articles for

readers. The company BookBub uses AI to recommend books to readers based on their reading history.

#### The Rise of Self-Publishing

Finally, Schreiter predicted that self-publishing would continue to grow in popularity. He predicted that by 2024, self-published books would account for more than 30% of all book sales. This prediction has also been largely borne out, with self-published books now accounting for a significant share of sales in many markets.

Schreiter attributed the rise of self-publishing to several factors, including the ease of publishing a book through platforms such as Amazon Kindle Direct Publishing, the lower cost of self-publishing compared to traditional publishing, and the growing popularity of self-publishing among authors.

The Shatzkin Files 2024 is a visionary and controversial look at the future of the publishing industry. Schreiter's predictions have been largely borne out, and they provide valuable insights into the challenges and opportunities that the industry will face in the years to come.

The rise of ebooks, audiobooks, AI, and self-publishing is transforming the publishing industry. These changes are creating new opportunities for authors and readers, but they are also challenging the traditional business models of the industry. It remains to be seen how the industry will adapt to these changes, but one thing is for sure: the future of publishing is bright.

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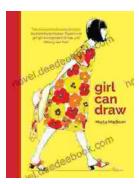
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