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Googlebooks go on sale in Australia on 5 October from $2,299, but Google says they aren't ready for business fleets yet

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