

## eBooks @ the GCL

### Why would I want to get ebooks?

Convenience and portability. You can borrow while at home or when away. You can carry numerous books without the bulk. You may also have access to books not available in your local library's physical collection.



#### How / where can I get an ebook?

You can access the digital library via a computer, smart phone or tablet.

There are three options for borrowing / viewing titles. We will review the "how to" for all three options in this presentation.

- OverDrive NM
- Libby App
- Kindle eReader

### What is the difference between OverDrive and Libby?

OverDrive is the digital library, and you can borrow and read in OverDrive but only through a web browser (Chrome, Safari, etc.) on your computer.

Libby is an app for your phone, tablet or it can also be used in a web browser and can be used across any or all devices giving you greater flexibility and portability.

#### What if I need help with OverDrive or Libby?

You can contact your library by phone at 575-539-2277 or email them at <u>glenwoodlibrarynm@gmail.com</u>.

### Can I borrow a different list of books in the Libby app vs. OverDrive?

No, your account is the same for both and you are still limited to the maximum allowed.

### Can I get audiobooks too? What about magazines?

Yes, you can borrow audiobooks (when titles are available in audio format). Our library does not include magazines at this time.

### How many titles can I borrow at a time and how long is the lending period?

Your library allows 10 titles at one time. Both ebooks and audiobooks can be borrowed for 21 days. You can also renew a title if it is not on hold by someone else.

### Can I put titles on hold?

Yes, you can place up to 10 titles on hold. You will be notified when your hold title is available, and you will have three days to borrow it.

### Do I need to manually return titles?

You can if you wish to clear your account to make room for more books or you can let them expire automatically at the end of the lending period.

### What is the cost? It's free!

# Using OverDrive Step-by-Step

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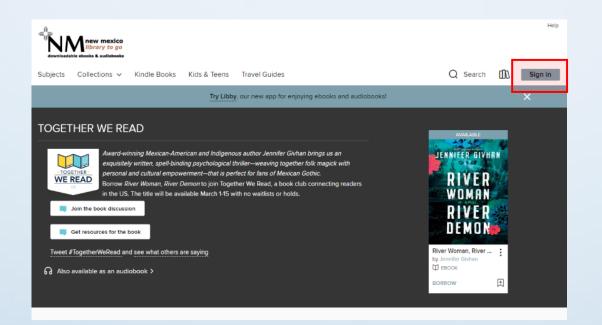
### What is OverDrive?

OverDrive is the largest digital library of ebooks and audiobooks and it's open to patrons 24/7.

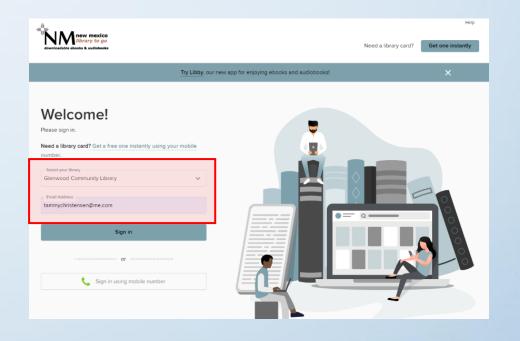
- New Mexico libraries build their individual digital collections from OverDrive's catalog of more than 3 million titles from over 30,000 publishers. Our local digital library is New Mexico Library to Go at <u>nm.overdrive.com</u>.
- OverDrive's catalog covers virtually all genres and includes popular publishers and many bestsellers.



## Logging In

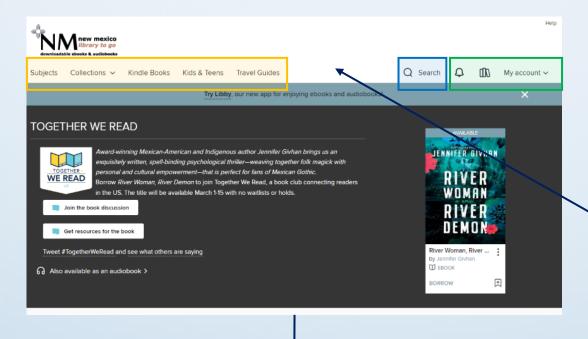


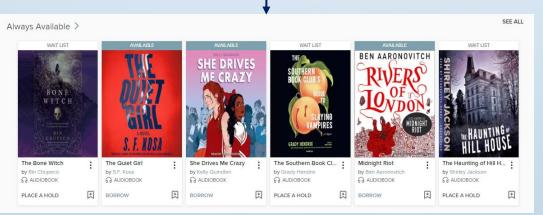
- In your browser, go to OverDrive NM website at <u>nm.overdrive.com</u>
- Select Sign In



- Select Glenwood Community Library from
  the drop down
- Type your email that is on file with GCL (if you have log in issues or would like to add your email, send a request to GCL at glenwoodlibrarynm@gmail.com)

## Finding Content



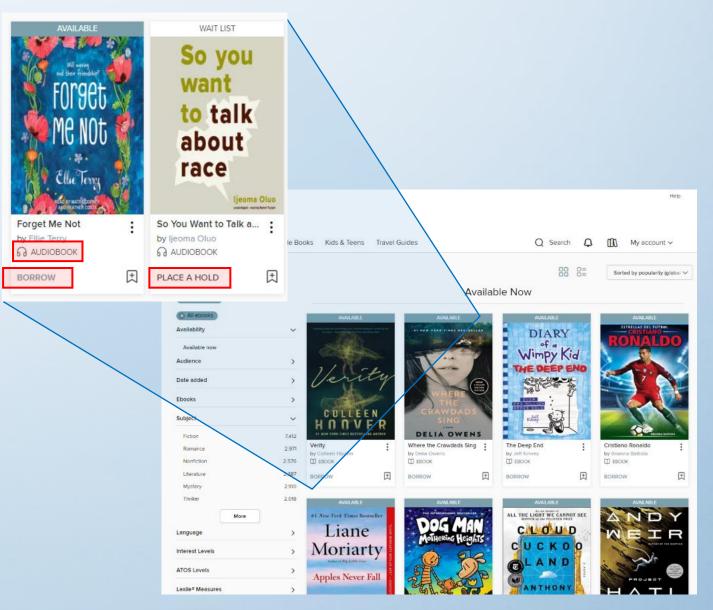


- You are now logged in and the "My account" menu gives you options to find information about you
- Once logged in, you can begin searching / browsing for content (ebooks, audiobooks)
  - Yellow highlight browsing options
  - Blue highlight search
  - Green highlight your profile (notifications, lending info, account menu)
- You can also scroll down on the home page to see content

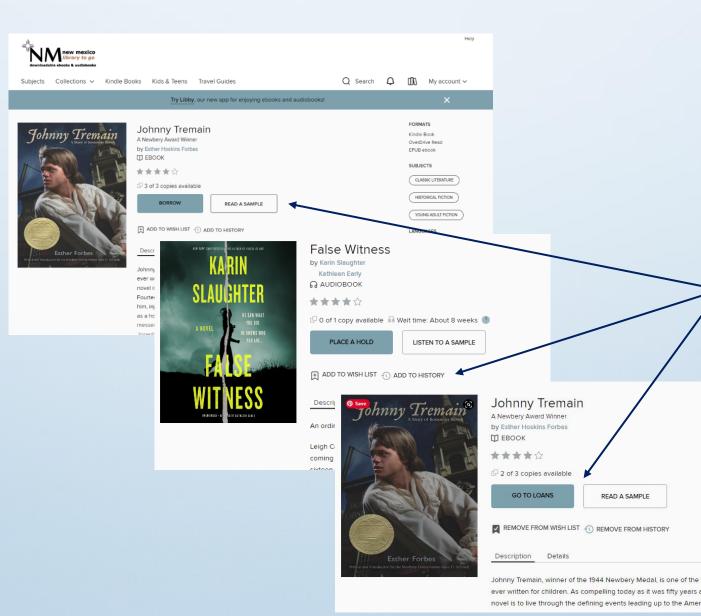
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## **Borrowing Content**

- You can check out content (up to 10 titles) whenever you see the "borrow" option
- Some titles are also available in audiobook format, look for the headphones icon and "audiobook" link
- Some titles may not be available, but you can "place a hold" and you will be notified when available
  - This does not count towards your 10 titles until it is available and borrowed



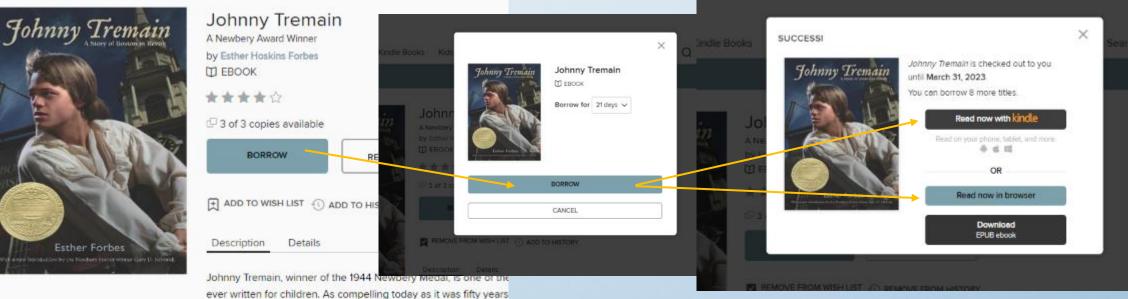
### Learn More About a Title



- By clicking on a title, you will see more information about that title
- You can read a summary of the book or even read a sample (if title is an audiobook, you can listen to a sample)
- There are numerous informational items in this view; you will become familiar with them as you use the system
  - Borrow click this to borrow a title
  - Place a hold click to place a title on hold
  - Go to loans this displays if you have already borrowed the title

### To Kindle or Not to Kindle

- When you borrow an ebook, you are asked if you want to read with Kindle
- You can read the ebook in your web browser (Chrome, Safari, etc.) on any device (computer, phone, tablet) using OverDrive or Libby, or you can send it to your Kindle library
- Details on how to retrieve the ebook in your Kindle device are provided later in this presentation
- You cannot send audiobooks to Kindle; Kindle only supports Audible at this time



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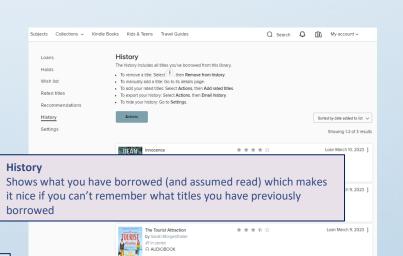
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#### Holds

Shows what you placed on hold; you can also cancel a hold or suspend a hold which keeps you on the list but moves you down in the queue



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# Using Libby Step-by-Step

### www.overdrive.com/apps/libby

Provides links to download the app and general app information

### www.libbyapp.com

Libby app web browser (Chrome, Safari, etc.) – similar to mobile device app but for use on a computer

## What is Libby?

- Libby is an award-winning app that allows you to read library books across multiple devices phone, table, or computer.
- It is a different interface for OverDrive, the digital library you just learned about, and it gives you more features than using OverDrive in your web browser (Chrome, Safari, etc.).
- It is an eReader, similar to Kindle, but specifically for library titles and has many features for managing your library content.
- You can stream to save space or download titles for offline reading. You can listen to audiobooks in your car or while traveling.
- You can send to Kindle as well, if that is your preferred eReader. At this time, this Libby option is US only.
- OverDrive offers monthly Getting Started with Libby webinars. Contact us if you are interested in learning more.



## Getting Started

### Getting Started with Libby

#### DOWNLOADING LIBBY

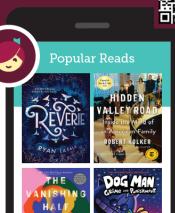
Downloading Libby on an Apple device:

- 1. From your home screen, open the App Store 🛃.
- 2. Search for "Libby" and tap 🗾
- 3. Tap **Get** and sign in with your Apple ID (if prompted).

#### Downloading Libby on an Android device:

- 1. Open Google Play.
  - a. On your phone, tap ≽ .
  - b. On your computer, go to play.google.com.
- 2. Search for "Libby" and tap 🔤
- 3. Tap Install.

You can also access Libby in a web browser at libbyapp.com.

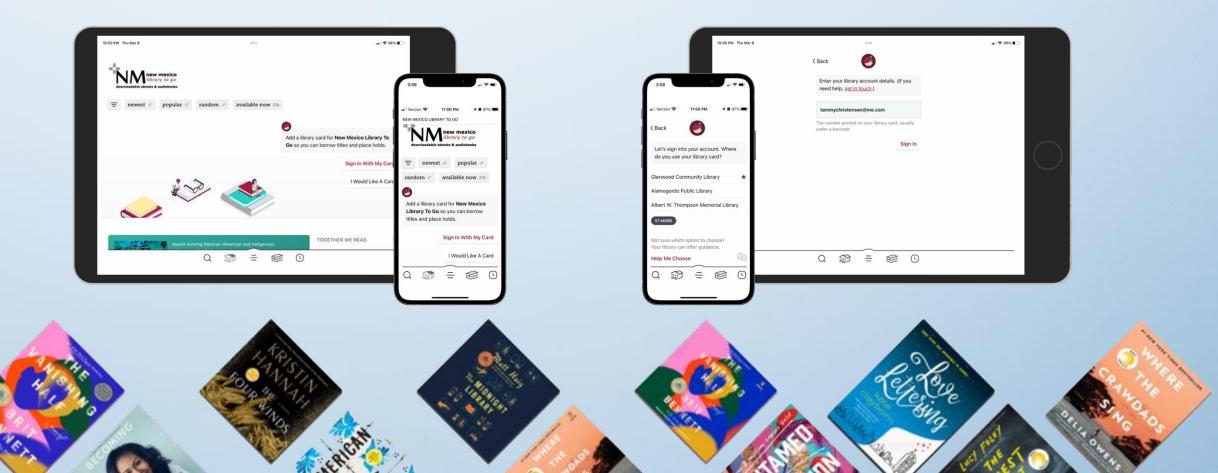


GET IT ON Google Play

- Download and install the app on your phone and/or tablet via the app store or go to <u>www.mylibby.com</u>
- You can also scan the QR code with your phone or table to get more information on downloading the app

## Logging In

- Log in the same way as you do for OverDrive (once logged into the app, you should not be prompted to do so again)
- If you have log in issues or would like to add your email, send a request to GCL at <u>glenwoodlibrarynm@gmail.com</u>)



## Name That Card

- You will be prompted to rename the newly "linked card"
- It is optional but recommended that you rename, especially if you add other libraries in the future



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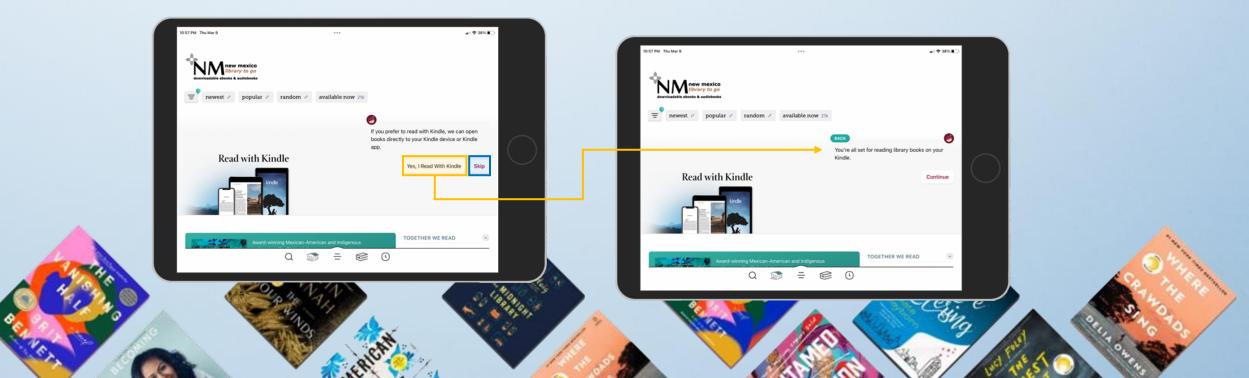
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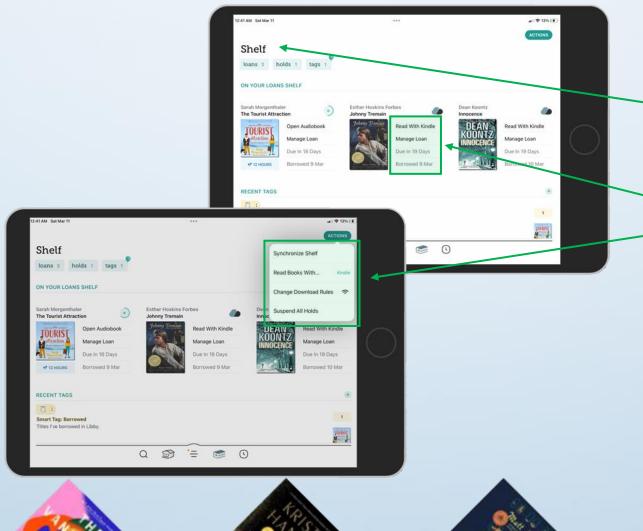
- Just as with OverDrive, you can browse
   or search to find content
- While the interface is different, the available content will be the same and you will be able to borrow and read content (or listen) on your portable devices in the Libby app vs. the web browser

## **Borrowing Content**

- Again, the interface and action names may be different from OverDrive, but the features are the same
- For more information about the Libby app and the available features, visit the OverDrive website at <u>www.overdrive.com/apps/libby</u>



### My Book Shelf



- OverDrive calls your account profile
   "My account" but Libby calls it your
   "Shelf"
- Just as in OverDrive, you can
   manage your account all in one place
- For more information about the Libby app and the available features, visit the OverDrive website at <u>www.overdrive.com/apps/libby</u>

# Using Kindle Step-by-Step

## What is Kindle?



A Kindle is a hand-held electronic device for reading ebooks. It was developed by Amazon and ebooks can be downloaded from Amazon's website (purchase or subscription service). You can also download PDFs to read in the Kindle.

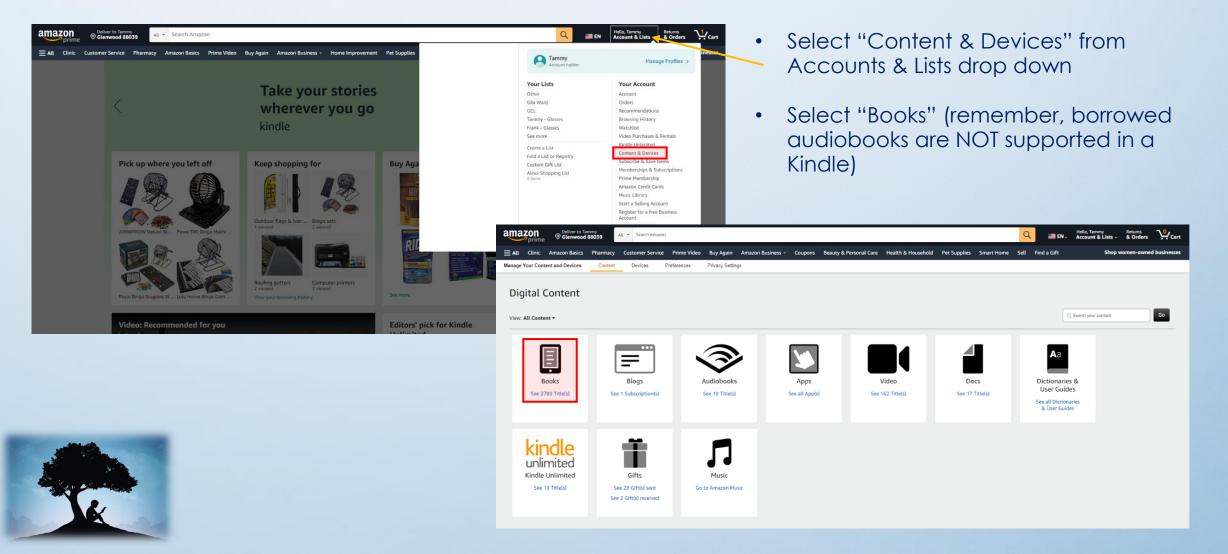
Amazon has also developed a Kindle app which can be download from the Apple or Android app store. You can then use a smart phone or tablet to read ebooks just as with the Kindle device. You can also use the Kindle app in your web browser.

OverDrive and Libby both support the use of a Kindle device or the Kindle app to read ebooks borrowed from your digital library. Kindle only supports Audible audiobooks so you cannot listen to your borrowed titles in your Kindle. Instructions for how to borrow titles for use in Kindle are included in the previous sections. This section will show you how to retrieve your borrowed titles in a Kindle.

If you need assistance with a Kindle Fire tablet, please find more info at <u>overdrive.com/apps/libby/kindlefire</u>. Unfortunately, the Kindle Fire tablet does not easily support borrowed titles from OverDrive or Libby.

### Where, Oh Where is My Borrowed Title?

• Don't panic ... you know how to retrieve Kindle content; this is almost the same, you just need to find "borrowed" books once you have logged into Amazon



## Sending Borrowed Title to Kindle

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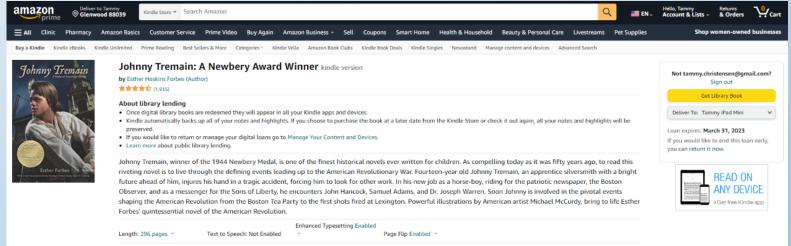


Locate the borrowed title and send to your device just as you would
 any other Kindle book

### **Different Amazon Views**

- Once you have retrieved your borrowed title, it may appear in Amazon in a couple of different ways
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- Do not worry about either of these views, you just need to know how you will see this in your device which is on the next page







## Kindle Device View

- Most Kindles will display available content the same way ... phones and tablets are typically the same, however, Kindle Paperwhite and Kindle Fire may vary slightly although the labels will be the same
- You should see it in your "All" list and you select it to download it
- You will be able to highlight, make notes, etc. just as you do with any Kindle content but be advised, those annotations and highlights will be lost once you return a borrowed title to the library
- You should use OverDrive or the Libby app to return borrowed library titles, NOT Kindle

