

Library eBooks & Audiobooks: Libby App

Overview: Learn how to use the Libby App to download eBooks and Audiobooks from the Corrales Community Library.

Student Skill Level: Intermediate

Requirements:

- Valid Corrales Library Card
- An Apple, Android or Windows device and any usernames and passwords associated with it

Objectives:

- Installing and setting up the Libby App
- Searching for items.
- · Borrowing or placing a hold.
- Managing a loan.
- Setting Preferences.
- Menu Options.

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OverDrive vs. Libby

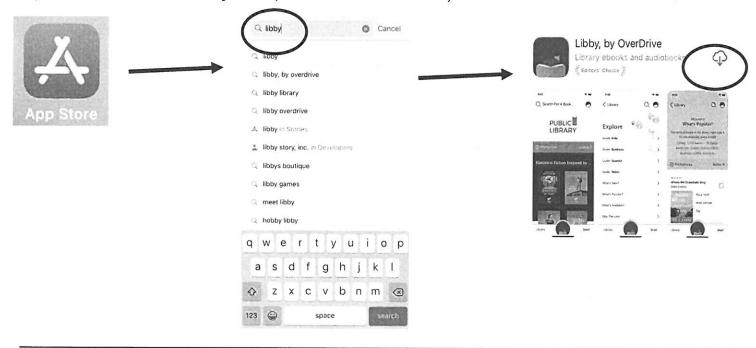
Both made by the same company.

Can use both apps at the same time BUT they do not sync.

EXAMPLE – Just because you checkout a book through OverDrive doesn't mean it will appear in Libby (and vice versa

Install (iPhone)

Tap **App Store** > Type in "Libby" in the search box and tap **Search** > Once you ID the Libby profile, tap **GET** or the **Download symbol** (a cloud and down arrow) > Follow on-screen instructions.



Setting Up



Locate the Libby app on your device and tap it to open.

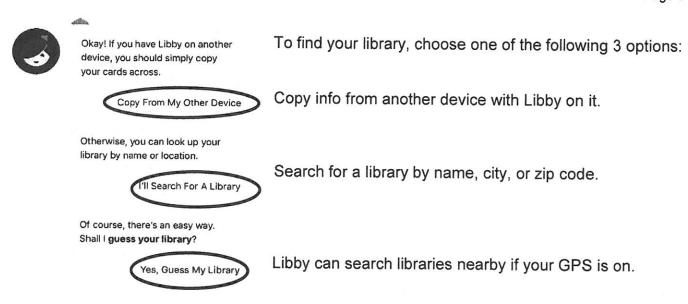


Welcome! Thousands of public libraries offer ebooks and audiobooks (for free!) in Libby, Let me ask you a few questions, to guide you to your library.

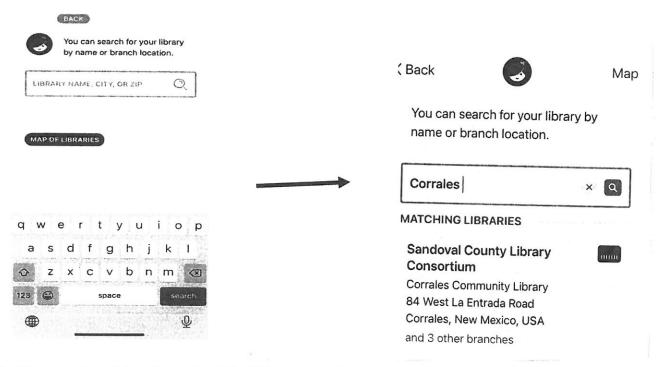
First question: do you have a library card?



If you have a library card, tap **Yes.** If not, tap **Not Yet** and follow the on-screen instructions. The rest of the packet is based of choosing **Yes**.

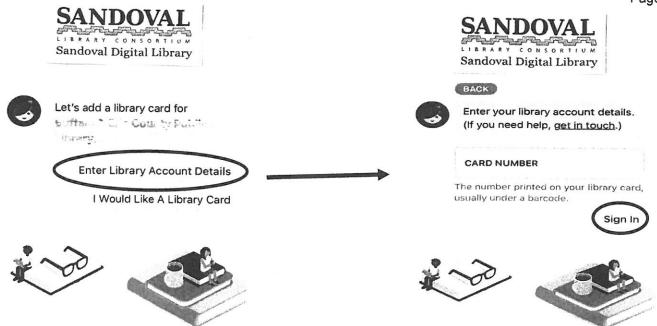


For this lesson, we will choose "I'll Search for a Library."

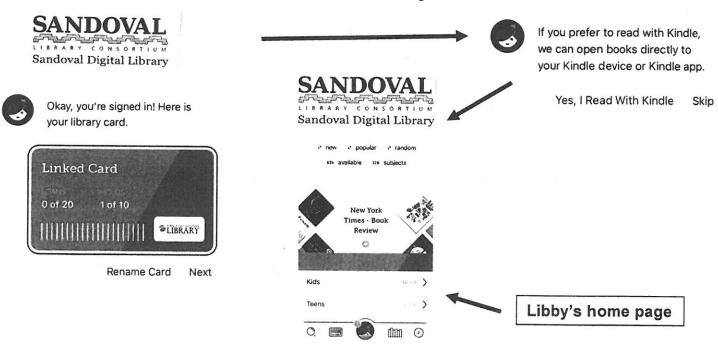


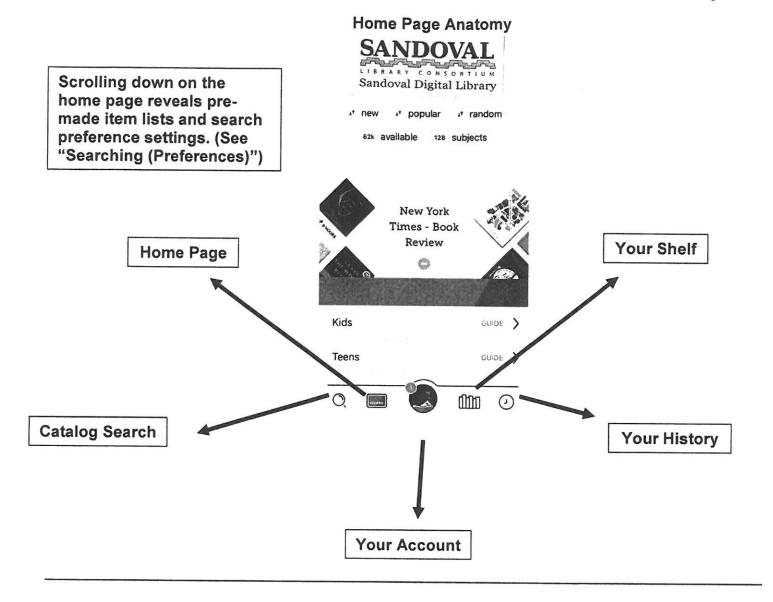
Type in "Corrales" and tap **Search** > Find "Sandoval County Library Consortium" and tap the name (this selects it as your library)

Tap Enter Library Account Details > Enter your entire library card number (including PAT) and your password (area code + phone number) > Tap **Sign In**.



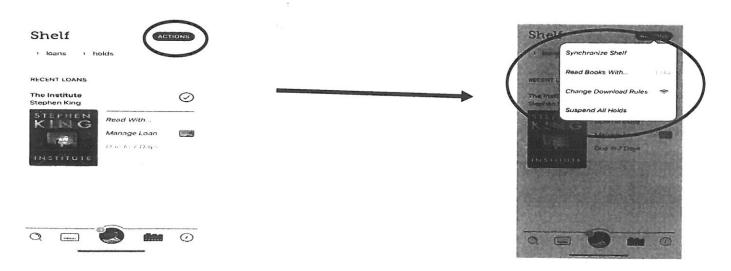
The next screen shows your digital card. From this screen, tap **Next** > If you want to just read through the Libby app, tap **Skip** OR If you want to read on a Kindle device or through the Kindle app, tap **Yes**, I **Read With Kindle**. This preference can be changed later.





Settings

To change around Libby's settings, go to your shelf and tap the **Actions** button. This brings up the settings option screen.



Read Books With...



This setting allows you to choose the primary format you would prefer your checkouts to be on.



In general, where would you like to read your books?

(3) options:

Kindle
APPS & DEVICES

Libby THIS APP **Kindle Apps & Devices** > Your checkouts will be put into the Kindle format.

Libby (This App) > Your checkouts will be used through the Libby itself.

I Have No Preference

HIDE

I Have No Preference > You will see both the above options available when checking out.

Change Download Rules



Which of your loans should be downloaded automatically?

Everything



All borrowed titles will be added to the download queue automatically.

Titles under 20 megabytes

Most books are under 20mb, but audiobooks can be in excess of 300mb, and graphic novels and magazines are often over 100mb.

Nothing

Each title will stream, and will be unavailable offline, unless you choose to download it manually. This setting allows you to control how your items get downloaded to your device and what connection to use when downloading.

Selecting "Everything" means all your checkouts get automatically downloaded as soon as your device is connected to the Internet. This includes holds that become available

Selecting "Nothing" means you have to go to your shelf and download the individual items on your own.

We highly recommend using a Wi-Fi connection when downloading through Libby.

If you have a LIMITED cellular data plan, downloading using this connection can take large chunks out of your monthly data total.

Download only on Wi-Fi



Reduces mobile data usage.

Searching ("Stephen King" example)



Stephen King's the Bill Hodges Tri...

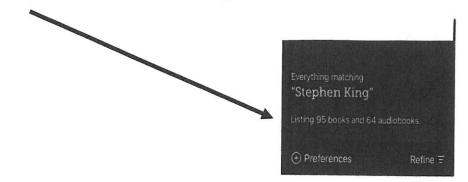
Q W e r t y u i

Press the catalog search icon on the bottom of your app screen to bring up the search page.

For this example, we want to see what Stephen King books Libby has.

Type in "Stephen King" in the search box and tap Stephen King Author.

The image to the right is the result of this search (it can change depending on new material coming in or material being removed.



Searching (Preference)

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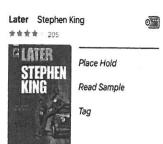
Applies to EVERY search you will do from now on until you change.

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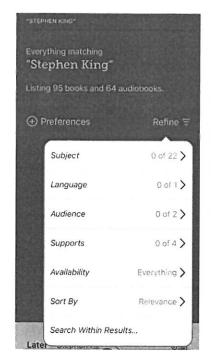
Format > Books, Audioboooks, or Magazines.

Availability > Available now (filters out all items with wait times).

* Can be set on Home Page too. *



Searching (Refine)



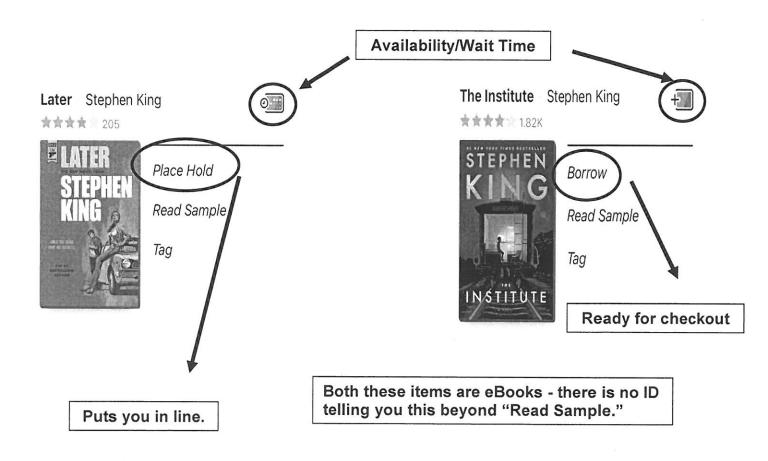
Applies only to THIS specific search.

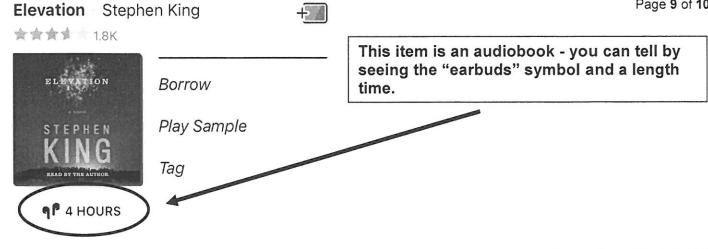
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Search Result Anatomy



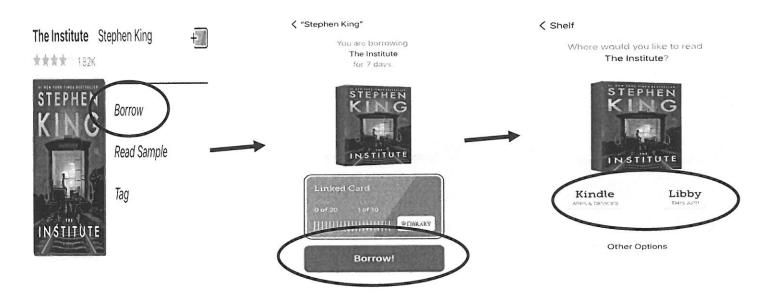


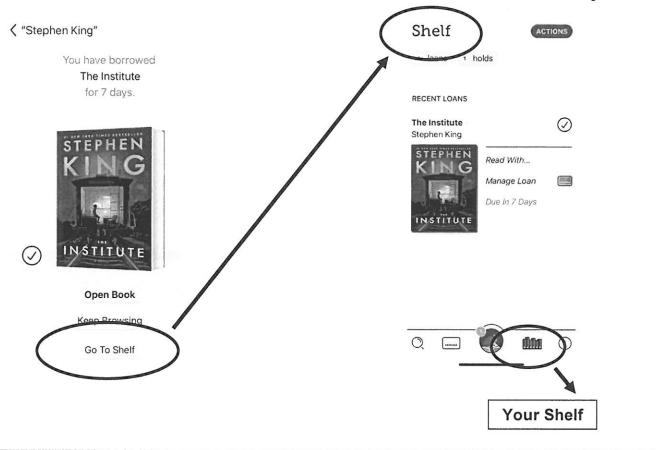
Downloading

Make sure you are connected to Wi-Fi!

Look at the item you want to borrow.

If you see the word "Borrow," tap it > On the next screen, tap Borrow again > Select the format you want to view the book in: Kindle for using just through the Kindle app and devices OR Libby for using directly through the Libby app. For this example, we will choose Libby.





Manage Loan

Tap Manage Loan > Tap Return or Return Early to remove your checkout from your shelf OR tap Renew Loan to extend your item time.

The Renew Loan button will only be clickable if there is no one waiting in line for the item.

