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Follow the instructions to **download Adobe Digital Editions** and create (or log into an existing) **Adobe Id.** When you are done return to OverDrive.

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The book will open in Adobe Digital Editions. Connect your Nook to your computer using a USB cable (your Nook power cable doubles as one) and you’ll see a new icon in Adobe Digital Editions in your book shelf for your Nook. **Drag and drop your eBook onto the icon and it will transfer.**

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You will download and read your library books straight from the Overdrive Media Consol app. The first thing you need to do is set it up. The home page for the app should have a “Welcome to Overdrive” file and nothing else. **Tap an icon at the bottom of the app, in the black border, that looks like three horizontal lines, to bring up the main menu.** You should see options like “Get Books” and “Settings...”

Tap “Settings” first to authorize Adobe on the app, that way you can read Adobe files. This should be the first option in the settings menu. **If you have an Adobe account, sign in here.** If you do not, create an account at <http://www.adobe.com/>. **Tap “Save Changes”** at the bottom of the menu to return to the previous screen.

Tap the menu button again and select “Get Books”. You will be brought to a search bar requesting a library. **Type in 08080 and tap “Margaret E. Heggan Library”.** On the following screen tap “Overdrive”, below the library name.

You should be at the Overdrive website. When you are ready to start looking for a book use either the “Quick Search” feature on the upper left corner of the screen or “Advanced Search” by following the link under the quick search bar. **Click “Search”.**

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You will be brought to your account page with your new eBook. **Click “Download”.**

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At the Overdrive website click on **"Help"** at the top of the screen, and then click **"Software Downloads"** on the following screen. Click on **OverDrive Media Console** and follow the prompts to download the software. After installing the software return to the Overdrive website.

Search for an audio book by clicking **"Advanced Search"** under the quick search bar at the top right corner of the page. Click the drop down menu labeled **"Format"** and select **"All Audiobooks"** (or MP3, or WMA) to filter your search by audio books. When you find a book you want and it is available for checkout, click **"Sign in to check availability"** and then sign-in with your Margaret E Heggan library card barcode. You should be back at the audio book. Click **"Borrow."** On the following screen click the drop down menu labeled **"Download: Select One Format"** and select a file type (which one depends on your device) and then click **"Confirm and Download."** If asked, select **"Open"** and not **"Save As..."**

The audio book will open in the Overdrive Media Console software you've installed on your computer. Once the entire audio book has downloaded look for **"Transfer"** at the top of the Overdrive Media Consol screen. **Click the audio book once to highlight it and then click "Transfer."** Select your audio book and the item will be transferred.

OVERDRIVE GENERAL TROUBLESHOOTING

What follows are some common and uncommon errors that can occur in OverDrive

Error Code 0

Problem

Sometimes when you attempt to log into your account on OverDrive you'll run into an error message stating that OverDrive cannot confirm your ID with the library server, specifying an error code of "0".

Solution

Keep trying to log in. The problem is only a temporary "hiccup"

OverDrive Books not Present on PC or eReader

Problem

You checked out the eBook but cannot locate it on your device.

Solution

1. Make sure you checked out an eBook in a **format your device supports**.
2. **Make sure the eBook was available**; otherwise you would've been added to a hold list.

OverDrive Books Not Present on the Kindle

Problem

You check out an eBook on OverDrive but it does not appear on your Kindle.

Solution

1. When you are redirected to Amazon.com and click "Get eBook" **make sure you are logging on with the same Amazon credentials you use for your Kindle**.
2. The Kindle receives its eBooks wirelessly through the Amazon Cloud. If there is no wifi connection when the eBook is checked out the eBook may not download. **On the Classic Kindle press the Menu button on the home screen, select "Sync and check for updates" and hit enter. On the Kindle Fire tap the gear icon on the top right corner of the screen and tap "Sync"**. Doing so will

cause the Kindle to compare its Library with your Amazon account and if it finds a new book it hasn't downloaded it will begin to do so.

OverDrive Books Not Present on the Nook Classic or Simple Touch

Problem

You check out an eBook on OverDrive but it does not appear on your Nook.

Solution

1. Make sure you followed the steps to side load your eBook onto the Nook via Adobe Digital Editions
2. Make sure you are looking for the eBook in the correct location. It will not appear in your library, but in My Files in a folder labeled "eBooks". **On the Nook Classic go into your library and look at the very first button on the bottom touch pad. It should say "switch to my files". On the Nook Simple Touch go into your library and look on the top of the screen where you'll a drop down bar. If you tap it you'll be able to sort your items by books, newspapers, magazines, and at the end of the list you'll find My Files.**

OverDrive eBooks Open With Adobe Acrobat Reader, not Adobe Digital Editions

Problem

Your computer is configured to open the OverDrive files with the incorrect program.

Solution

1. Make certain you have Adobe Digital Editions installed on your computer.
2. **Check out an OverDrive book and click "Save As" and save the file somewhere you can find it. Open the folder and right click the file. Select "Open With" and click Browse to search for Adobe Digital Editions.**

Adobe Digital Editions Won't Let Me Transfer an eBook to an eReader

Problem

You can read your eBook in Adobe Digital editions and it recognizes your device but won't let you transfer because of improper permissions.

Solution

1. **Authorize your Adobe ID.** If you replaced any hardware or had your computer repaired you may be required to reauthorize, if this happens authorize Adobe using a new Adobe ID. Create a new email account if necessary.