

## Downloading Audiobooks from NYPL

What is an audiobook? An audiobook is a spoken version of a regular book that can be played using software on your computer or portable music player. The New York Public Library offers many titles on a variety of subjects, as well as classic radio programs.

## Downloading software

1. Go to <u>ebooks.nypl.org</u>. In the left-hand menu, select Overdrive Media Console under **Software Downloads**. For more information, see the quick start guide on Software Downloads for eNYPL Content.

## Borrowing audiobooks from eNYPL

- 2. Once you have installed the Overdrive Media Console, return to eNYPL Home.
- 3. Hover your mouse over "Browse audiobooks" in the left-hand menu bar. This allows you to browse by subject. The Browse menu also allows you to limit results to Children's or Young Adult audiobooks.
- 4. Further down in the left-hand menu bar, you will notice that there are links for searching for audiobooks by format (iPod compatible, WMA, or MP3) as well as a selection of "Always-Available" and Spanish audiobooks. At the top of the page, you can also search by title, author, or format.
  - NOTE: If you are using OverDrive Media Console on a mac, WMA audiobooks are not compatible.
- 5. Once you find a title you wish to download, click the image or title to be taken to the information page. Information about the duration of the audiobook, file type, CD burning permissions, and the devices that it will play on is provided here.
- 6. Click "Add to eList" and select "Proceed to Checkout." If you are not already logged in, you will be prompted for your library card number and PIN.
  - NOTE: If "Add to eList" is not an option, this means all copies of the audiobook are in use. Click "Request Item" on the right side of the entry. If you have not already done so, log in with your library card. Enter your email address and the system will notify you when the title is available to check out.
- 7. You can adjust the lending period to 7, 14, or 21 days. You may check out up to 12 items from eNYPL at one time. After choosing your lending period, click "Confirm Checkout," and then "Download."
- 8. A dialog box will appear, prompting you to open or save the file. Open the file with OverDrive Media Console. Select all parts of the book you would like to download, and click "okay."
- 9. After the audiobook finishes downloading, it will appear in your OverDrive library. Double-click on the title to play it on your computer.
- 10. To transfer your audiobook to an MP3 player, click "Transfer" from the menu at the top of the application. Follow the guide provided.
- 11. Downloaded files remain on your computer (even after they have expired) until you manually delete them. Select the file you wish to delete and click "Delete" from the menu at the top of the application. Remember to empty your recycle bin or trash so the files no longer take up space on your hard drive.

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