

## Cottonwood Public Library

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Tuesday - Friday  
9 am to 6 pm  
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10 am - 2 pm

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### *Ebooks and Audiobooks at the Library*

Did you get a new e-reader or tablet for Christmas? The Cottonwood Public Library offers thousands of free e-books and audiobooks through a company called Overdrive. All you need is a library card and a wireless internet connection. Most of the newer tablets can get e-books and audiobooks transferred directly to the device itself. E-readers like the Kindle Paperweight and any older style Kindles still need an Amazon.com account and a computer with a wireless internet connection. These e-books and audiobooks will automatically expire after up to 21 days, so you never have to worry about late fees.

Any tablets that have access to the Android Marketplace or Apple App Store just need to download the Overdrive Media Console app to get started. This app will allow you to check out e-books as well as audiobooks.

The Kindle Paperweight and older style Kindle devices are strictly e-readers, which mean they are specifically designed for reading, so audiobooks are not compatible. This goes for the older Nook devices as well. These e-readers still require a home computer and wireless internet to transfer e-books, and there are a few more steps involved. Luckily we offer a class at the Cottonwood Public Library on Fridays at 2:30 to walk you through the checkout process. Space is limited so please call us at 634-7559 and get yourself signed up. For tablets you can call and set up a one-on-one appointment with one of our staff members to get you started.

For the more tech-savvy, the Overdrive website also provides extensive instructions on how to get e-books and audiobooks onto your particular device. Just go to our website [www.ctwpl.info](http://www.ctwpl.info) and click on the blue Overdrive button about halfway down the left column. This takes you to the Digital Media Catalog home page. On the left-hand side under Getting Started click on the Digital Help link where you can locate walk-throughs for your specific device.

Overdrive is currently in the process of overhauling their entire website to make the checkout process more user-friendly. The Overdrive Next Generation digital library platform should be rolling out sometime in the coming months. New features include access to e-books from any device with a web browser, and streaming audiobooks.

With e-book prices ranging anywhere from fifty cents to over thirty dollars, free library e-books are definitely something to consider. Give us a call, or stop by the library to sign up for a class or to get more information on how it's done.