

# Library eBook Accessibility Program (LEAP)

Providing individuals with print disabilities timely access to print materials in digital formats

Introducing LEAP, the Library eBook Accessibility Program, which offers a free membership with Bookshare to print-disabled patrons of OverDrive partner libraries. Qualified patrons can download up to 20 accessible eBooks each month for a full year at no charge! The catalog of accessible eBooks is currently more than 70,000 titles, including best sellers and new releases.

### What is OverDrive LEAP?

LEAP is the result of a partnership between OverDrive and Bookshare, a non-profit agency that provides timely eBook access to individuals with print disabilities. As part of OverDrive's ongoing commitment to accessibility, LEAP will provide accessible eBooks to library patrons with print disabilities at US public libraries in the OverDrive network. OverDrive is funding LEAP to qualifying patrons at no cost to libraries and at no cost to patrons.

#### How does OverDrive LEAP work?

Patrons with LEAP memberships receive a user account at Bookshare. Bookshare hosts more than 70,000 digital books, textbooks, newspapers, and magazines — available in DAISY and BRF formats. These can be used with a variety of accessible devices and free desktop software. The Bookshare catalog is growing each month, accumulating thousands of new titles. Please note that it is not the identical collection of eBooks that OverDrive supplies to your library.





## How do patrons register for OverDrive LEAP?

Libraries that offer LEAP will have LEAP messaging and links displayed on their OverDrive-hosted website. Patrons are provided information on how to enter their library card number and enroll in LEAP.

## What does it cost to participate in OverDrive LEAP?

There is **no cost** to your library and **no cost** to the patron for participating in LEAP! Each patron's subscription at Bookshare will be paid by OverDrive for a full year.



For more information about LEAP, contact us today!

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