

# eBooks and Mobile Devices

## What is an eBook?

A book in digital form, consisting of text, images, or both, and produced on, published through, and readable on computers or other electronic devices

## What is OverDrive?

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## eReaders

### nook

- Holds up to 1,500 books
- LendMe™ technology
  - Lend a book once for up to 14 days
- Connects to Wi-Fi
- Built in dictionary
- “My Shelves”
  - Organize books



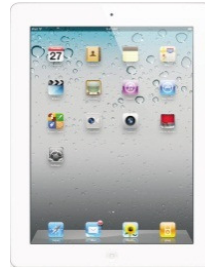
### Sony eReader

- Holds up to 1,200 books
- Touchscreen display with stylus
- Built-in Dictionaries and 10 Translators
- Library finder on eBook store
- No Wi-Fi
  - Connects to Sony Daily Edition



## **iPad**

- Holds several thousand books
- Multi-Touch display
- Built in Apps
- WiFi/3G connectivity



## **Kobo eReader**

- Preloaded with 100 classic titles
- Holds up to 1,000 books
- Built-in dictionary(Kobo Wireless eReader only)



## eReader Comparison Chart

	<b>nook/ nook color</b>	<b>Sony Reader (Pocket/Touch Daily Edition)</b>	<b>iPad</b>	<b>Borders Kobo Wireless eReader</b>
<b>capacity</b>	2GB/1,500 books (expandable)	2GB/1,200 books 32GB (Touch /Daily Edition expandable)	16GB-64GB	1GB/up to 1,000 books (up to 4GB expandable)
<b>color</b>	16 shades gray/ 16 million colors	8/16 shades gray	yes	8 shades gray
<b>connectivity</b>	WiFi/3G (WiFi only on color)	3G	WiFi/3G	WiFi
<b>cost</b>	\$149 WiFi only, \$199 WiFi & 3G/\$249 nook color, WiFi only	\$129-\$349	\$499-\$829	\$99 (as of 2/8/11)
<b>eBook format</b>	ePub, eReader, PDF, PDB	ePub, PDF, TXT, RTF, DOC, BBeB Book	ePub (Kindle, via app), PDF	ePub, PDF, Adobe DRM
<b>games</b>	limited	no	yes	no
<b>multimedia</b>	audio + images	images audio (touch edition)	audio + video	no
<b>screen size</b>	6"- 7"	5"-7"	9"	6"
<b>third-party Apps</b>	yes	no	App Store	no
<b>Web browser</b>	yes	no	yes	no

<http://ipod.about.com/od/ipadcomparisons/a/comparing-ipad-kindle-nook.htm>

[http://www.sonystyle.com/webapp/wcs/stores/servlet/ContentDisplayView?hideHeaderFooter=false&storeId=10151&catalogId=10551&langId=-1&cmsId=reader\\_kindle\\_comparison](http://www.sonystyle.com/webapp/wcs/stores/servlet/ContentDisplayView?hideHeaderFooter=false&storeId=10151&catalogId=10551&langId=-1&cmsId=reader_kindle_comparison)

## Resources

### **OverDrive Digital Media Tutorial**

<http://www.overdrive.com/products/dlr/tour/Main.html>

### **OverDrive FAQ's**

<http://www.overdrive.com/software/omc/faq.asp>

<http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/library/faq/overdrivequestions.htm>

### **Device Resource Center**

<http://www.overdrive.com/resources/drc/compatibledevices.aspx>

### **Adobe Digital Editions**

<http://www.adobe.com/products/digitaleditions/>

### **nook**

<http://www.barnesandnoble.com/nook/index.asp>

<http://nooktalk.net/news/loading-books-with-adobe-digital-editions-on-your-nook>

### **Sony eReader**

<http://www.sonystyle.com>

### **iPad/iTouch/iPhone**

<http://www.apple.com/ipad/features/ibooks.html>

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