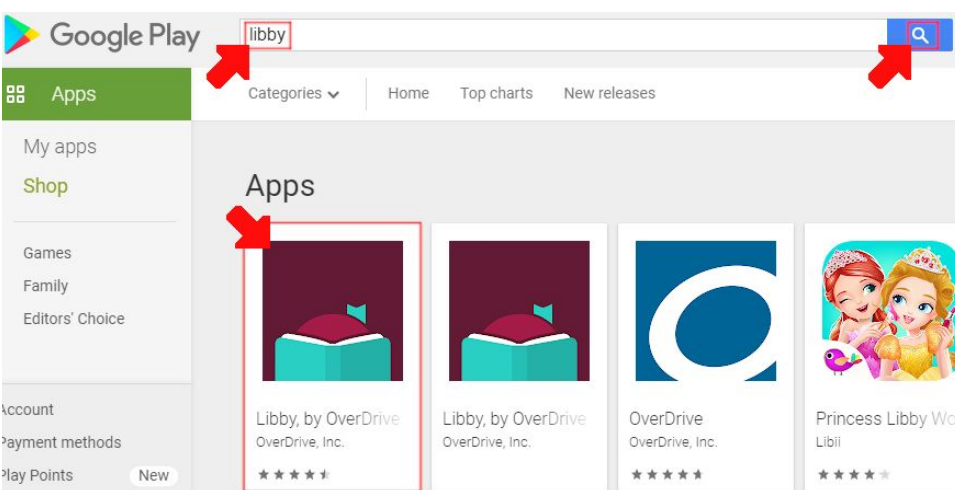


Using OverDrive's Libby App *Last Updated 4/2/2020*

All of the eBook apps needed to read your eBooks are **FREE** on most platforms. **You will need to be connected to a wireless network or have a data plan that allows you to connect to the internet.**

The app you need to browse through, download and read eBooks that you check out through OverDrive is called **Libby**. You can most likely find it on the app store of your device. Account login information for OverDrive is your Library Card Number and PIN.

You will need to add your email address and name if you want to receive email notifications when books are ready to be checked out or when books are due. To find the app store app for your device, check below:



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 - If your device uses Windows 10 or above, you can install the free app through the Microsoft Store at microsoft.com. [Click here to install!](#)
 - Otherwise, you will have to use Alamance County Public Libraries's OverDrive website found at alamancelibraries.overdrive.com (click the link or type it into your browser's address bar).

The first time you launch OverDrive's Libby app, it will ask you some questions to determine what library system you are trying to connect to:

- When Libby asks “**Do you have a library card?**” Click “**Yes**”.



Welcome! Thousands of public libraries offer ebooks and audiobooks (for free!) in Libby. Let me ask you a few questions, to guide you to your library.

First question: do you have **a library card?**

Yes

Not Yet

- Next, Libby will ask how to find your Library. Click “**I'll Search For A Library**”.

Otherwise, you can look up your library by name or location.

I'll Search For A Library

- Lastly, you will type “Alamance County Public Libraries” into the Library search.



You can search for your library by name or branch location.

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Alamance County Public Libraries

Alamance County Public Libraries - Graham Public Library

211 S. Main Street

Graham, North Carolina, USA

+ 3 MORE BRANCHES

NC Kids Digital Library

Alamance County Public Libraries

342 S. Spring Street

Burlington, North Carolina, USA

+ 95 MORE BRANCHES

Here you can select “**Alamance County Public Libraries**” for access to our OverDrive collection of adult fiction and nonfiction eBooks and eAudiobooks.

If you're interested in eBooks and eAudiobooks for children, you also have access to the “**NC Kids Digital Library**” through OverDrive's Libby app.

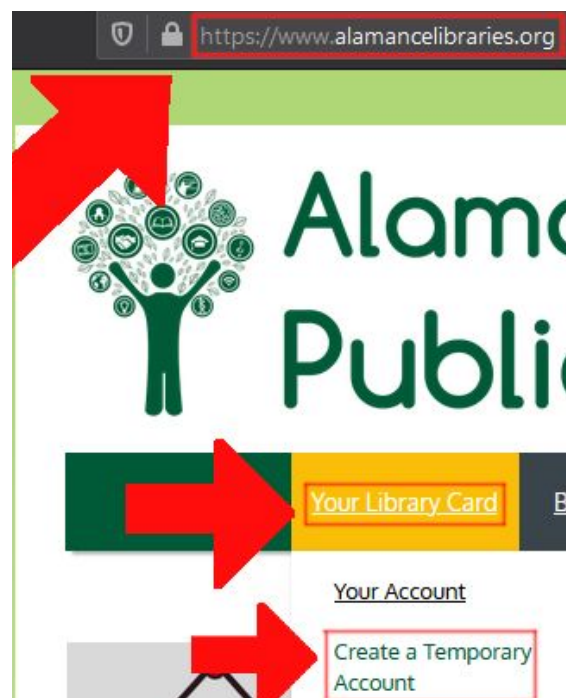
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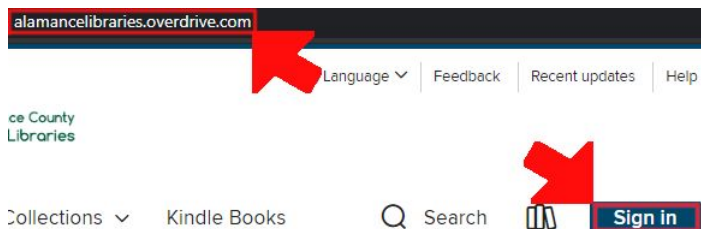
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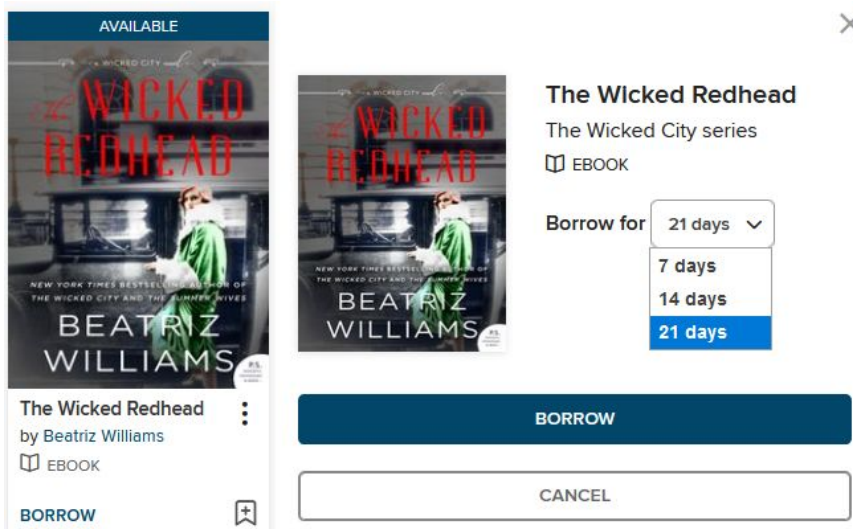


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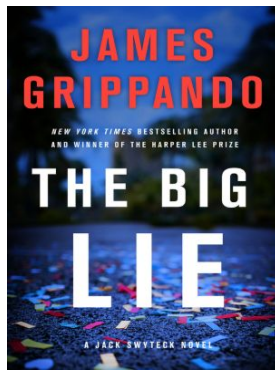
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