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Ebook Resources for Libraries

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Books:

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Polanka, S. (Ed.). (2012). *No shelf required 2: Use and management of electronic books*. Chicago: ALA Editions.

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Lucey, K. & Della Penna, M. (2012). Once upon an app: The process of creating digital storytimes for preschoolers. *Colorado Libraries*. Retrieved from:

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Wall, C. (2012, May 30). eTots: A public library iPad program for preschoolers. Touch and Go. Retrieved from:

<http://blog.schoollibraryjournal.com/touchandgo/2012/05/30/etots-a-public-library-ipad-program-for-preschoolers/>

Websites:

ALA Econtent:

<http://www.americanlibrariesmagazine.org/e-content>

Chicago Public Schools iPad forum:

<http://bit.ly/15eNvll>

Early Literacy iPad Kits: Apps, Info, and Further Resources:

<http://bit.ly/15KDePu>

eBooks, eReaders, and Libraries:

<http://www.scoop.it/t/kindle-fire>

iPad wikispace:

<http://mobilary.wikispaces.com/ipads>

Little eLit: Early Literacy in the Digital Age:

<http://littleelit.com/>

Not So Distant Future:

<http://futura.edublogs.org/>

Raised Digital by Jeremy Breuck (Akron):

<http://drupal.bruecke.org>

School Libraries: What's Now, What's Next, What's Yet to Come:

<http://www.smashwords.com/books/view/96705>

The Unquiet Librarian:

<http://theunquietlibrarian.wordpress.com/>

Youth-led Tech @ the Library:

<http://bit.ly/ZEFlyt>

Examples of Programs or Ereader Instructions:

Bentonville Public Library:

<http://bit.ly/13beMqY>

Ethical Culture Library:

<http://bit.ly/13KAa1T>

iLearn Preschool: Using iPads to Develop Literacy Skills:

<http://watertownchildrensdepartment.blogspot.com/2012/09/ilearn-preschool-using-ipads-to-develop.html>

Mountain View Public Library:

http://www.mountainview.gov/city_hall/library/ebooks.asp

<http://littleelit.com/2012/06/29/e-books-online-resources-apps-for-parents-of-young-children-2/>

<http://www.mountainview.gov/civica/filebank/blobdload.asp?BlobID=10144>

Santa Clara County Tablet Tales Project:

<http://bit.ly/YTraop>

Using VoiceThread to Learn About the 1920s:

<http://indielibrary.blogspot.com/2012/10/using-voicethread-to-learn-about-1920s.html>

Van Meter Library:

<http://vanmeterlibraryvoice.blogspot.com/2012/02/something-exciting-has-come-to-van.html>

<http://vanmeterlibraryvoice.blogspot.com/2012/05/wanted-readers-for-summer-in-mackin-via.html>

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Williamson County Public Library:

<http://www.techsoupforlibraries.org/spotlight/gadget-zoo-to-the-rescue>

http://lib.williamson-tn.org/elibrary/reads_home.html

Ideas:

- Check to see if your library offers children's eBooks through services like Overdrive or 3M Cloud Library.
- Take images of book jackets for titles available from your eBook vendor. Create a QR code to redirect patrons to the downloads for that title. Place the QR code on your bookjacket image. Print the new image out and place it on a library display or on shelves made empty by checked out print titles.
- Our elementary school library recently introduced an Overdrive ebook subscription to our students. We have started by buying a small collection of 3-5th grade level books and some read-aloud choices to include families of younger children. The community is excited about using them. We intend the ebooks to be a supplement but in no way a replacement of our print collection, which is why we don't intend to offer picture books or comics. We've got mostly fiction and tried to target reluctant readers who will enjoy



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