

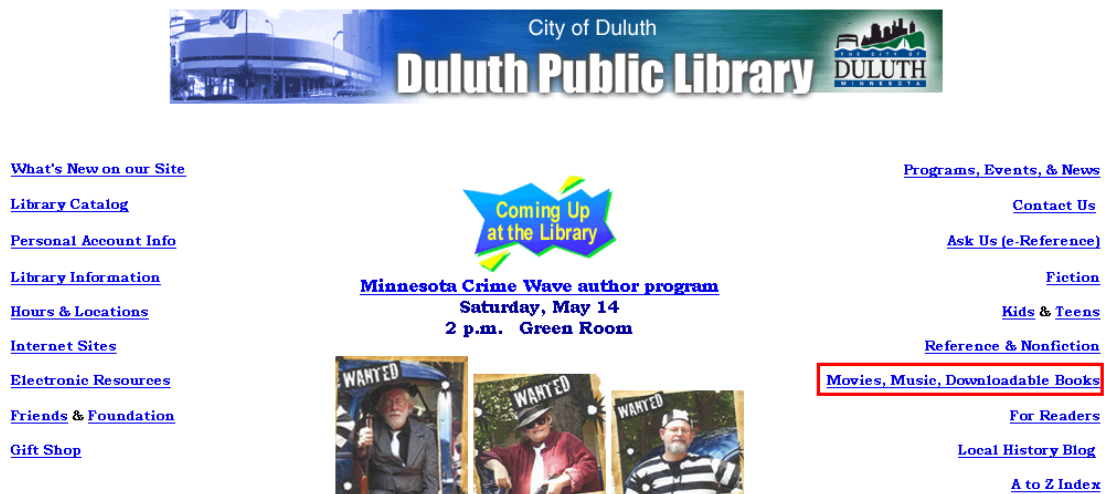
# Downloading free Duluth Public Library e-books to your Nook

This is a step-by-step instruction guide for loading free library e-books onto a Nook e-reading device. Library e-books cannot be downloaded directly onto the Nook from the Internet; they must first be loaded onto your personal computer and then transferred to your Nook. E-books are installed on the Nook using Adobe Digital Editions, which is already installed on the Nook reader. You will also have to install Adobe Digital Editions on your personal computer. The distributor the library uses for downloadable media is OverDrive, Inc.

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- Go to [www.duluth.lib.mn.us](http://www.duluth.lib.mn.us).
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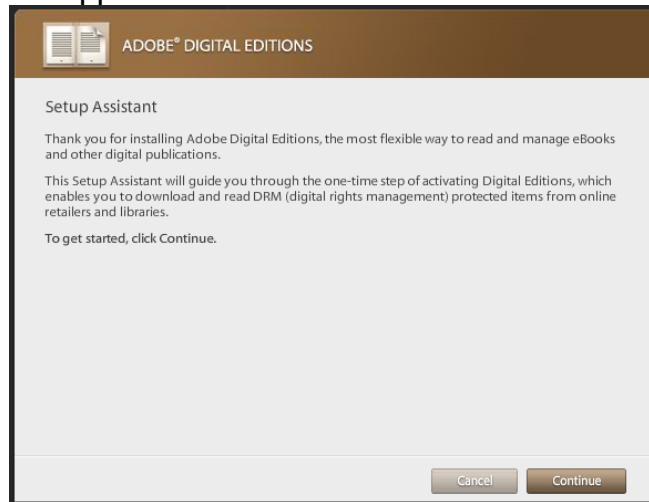
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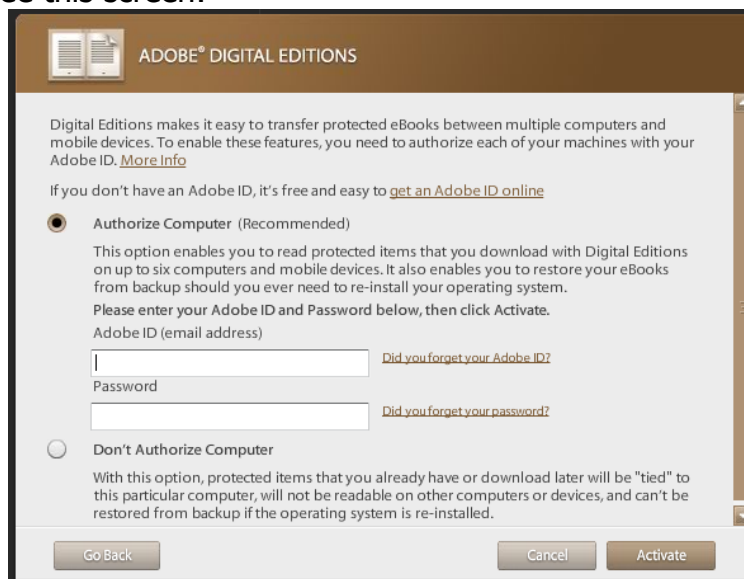
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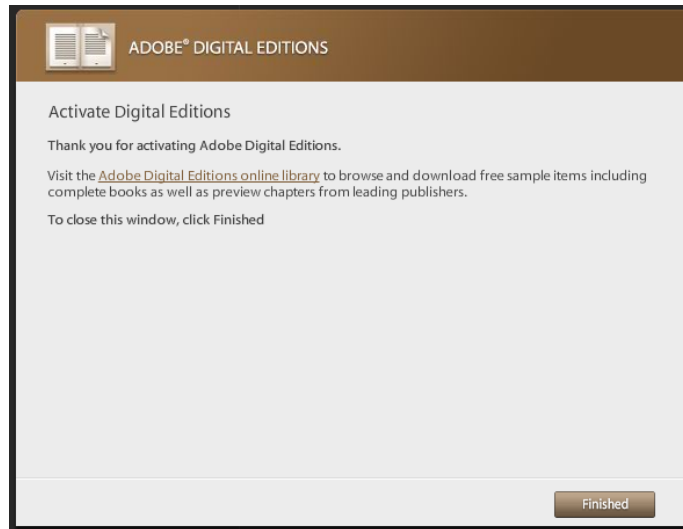
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- If your library card barcode begins with "21256" choose **Duluth Public Library**.
- If your library card barcode begins with "22510" choose **Arrowhead Library System**.

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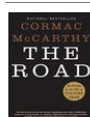
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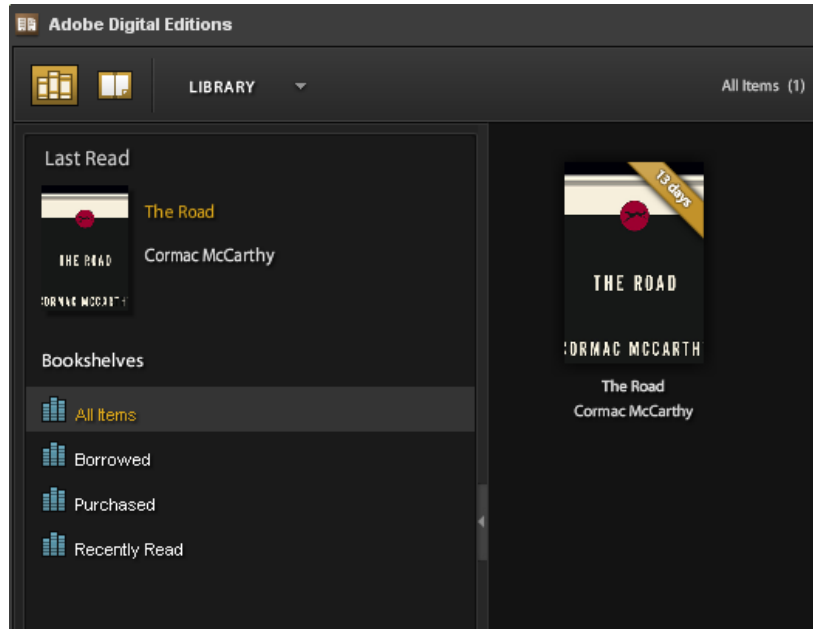
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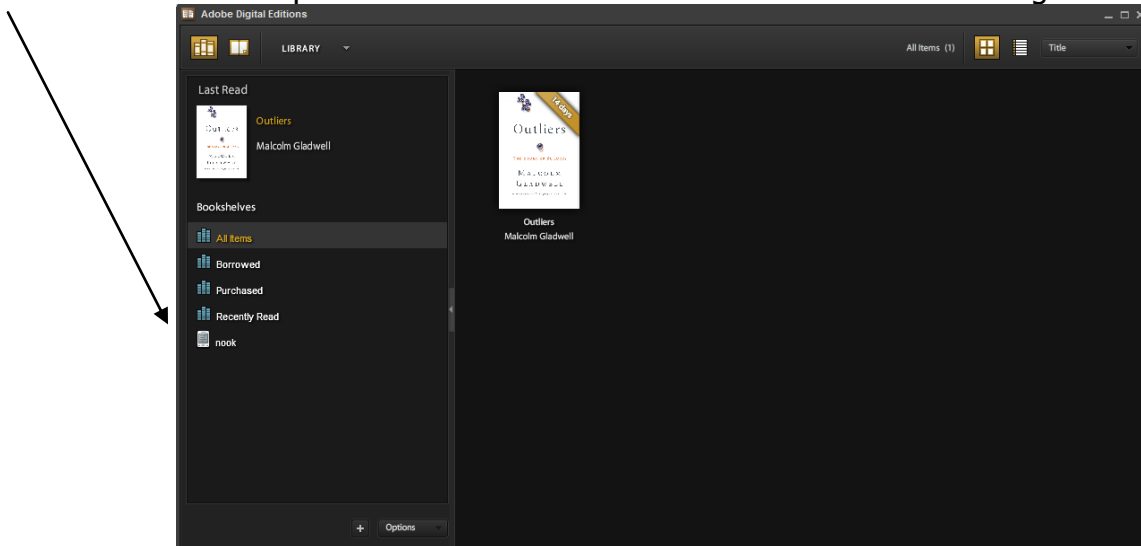
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**3. Transfer your library e-book to the Nook.** Plug the Nook into your computer and follow the directions to authorize your device using the Adobe ID and password you created.

The Nook should show up on the bottom of the left side column on Adobe Digital Editions.



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2. Find and delete the **.adobe-digital-editions** file.
3. Close Adobe Digital Editions
4. Restart Adobe Digital Editions
5. Your Nook should now be visible to Adobe Digital Editions, *if not*
6. Go back to the Nook drive
7. Find the "Digital Editions" file and delete it
8. Close Adobe Digital Editions
9. Restart Adobe Digital Editions
10. Nook will be visible
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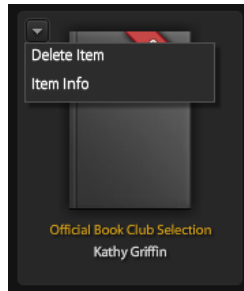
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If your e-book has expired but you have not connected your Nook to your computer, the e-book will still appear on the Nook but a message will appear when it is opened: "The lending period for this eBook has expired." An expired book shows up on Adobe Digital Editions with a red banner across it that says **expired**.



These books can be deleted from your library by clicking on the **Item Options** arrow over the book title and selecting **Delete Item**.



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