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Dear Families,

Summer reading is so important to keep learning going and to let imaginations run free! We are thrilled to make more e-books and audiobooks for all ages available for free this summer to all DOE families, and it's easier than ever to access them. Please read on for more information, and visit schools.nyc.gov/summerreading for additional details to be posted on Monday, June 29.

Reading with Sora!

The e-book reader *Sora* has a diverse set of hundreds of resources available for grades 3K-12 in a multiple languages to help students see themselves and fellow students in the books they are reading. You can download an app to your device or access them via a web browser. All you have to do is log in with your student's DOE ID; no additional sign up is necessary. Please visit discoversora.com/nyc to get started.

Need help finding your student's DOE login? Click [here](#). If you received an iPad from DOE, it will have the Sora app automatically installed by July 1!

You may also visit galepages.com/nycdoe11 to access additional e-book titles and databases provided by the New York City School Library System. To access e-books from any location and databases from outside of New York State, please email libraries@schools.nyc.gov for the username and password.

Please note that while some of these resources might only be available in English, we will continue to strive to make more resources available in home languages.

Take Advantage of Public Library Resources, Too!

New York City public library systems are also providing digital resources and free access to the tutoring platform Brainfuse through internet-enabled devices, including all DOE-issued iPads.



- Brooklyn Public Library. To obtain a Brooklyn Public Library eCard, fill out the form at Bklynlibrary.org.
- The New York Public Library serving the Bronx, Manhattan, and Staten Island. To obtain a New York Public Library digital card through the free SimplyE app, please visit NYPL.org.
- Queens Public Library. To obtain a Queens Public Library eCard, fill out the form at QueensLibrary.org.

Wishing you a summer full of reading!

Warm regards,

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