



Talking Book Services

Anyone who cannot read standard print books or who has a diagnosed print disability may be eligible for the services available from the **New York State Talking Book & Braille Library (TBBL)**.

TBBL is part of the New York State Library in Albany, but serves residents and institutions throughout New York State. TBBL is a **FREE SERVICE** for qualifying library patrons, and is a joint program of the National Library Service and the New York State Education Department.

Individuals are eligible to register for service if they have a visual impairment, a physical disability, or a diagnosed reading or learning disability. The TBBL collection has over 55,000 fiction and non-fiction titles in audio, braille, and print-braille format. Books are loaned to registered patrons, students, and institutions. Registered borrowers are also loaned special playback equipment free of charge.

Books and players are loaned directly from TBBL, but many more books may be downloaded from the Braille and Audio Reading Download service (BARD). BARD is free for registered patrons and institutions, and the BARD Mobile app makes it possible to play books on iOS or Android devices. Access this link for information about how to sign up for BARD: <http://www.nysl.nysed.gov/tbbl/bard/>

WANT MORE INFORMATION ABOUT TBBL?

To learn more about Talking Book and Braille Library services or registration, please call TBBL toll-free at 1-800-342-3688.

You may also contact us via e-mail at tbbl@nysed.gov. Application forms and additional resources are also available on the TBBL website at <http://www.nysl.nysed.gov/tbbl>. Our online catalog of Braille and audio books is also searchable from the TBBL site. **Connect with us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/NYSLtbbl>**

**(please see over for downstate services information)*

***For services in New York City and on Long Island**

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New York Public Library
40 West 20th Street
New York, NY 10011-4211
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talkingbooks@nypl.org
<http://www.nypl.org/locations/heiskell>

Long Island Talking Book Advisory and Outreach Center
627 North Sunrise Service Road
PO Box 9000
Bellport, NY 11713-9000
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