

eBooks at Hennepin County Library

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Collection

- Launched ePub from OverDrive July 2010
- Adding new titles weekly
- Circulation: in Dec 2010: 7,146 check-outs, March: 17,480 check-outs
- Up to \$325,000 budgeted (2% of collection budget, + outside funds)
 - Dependent on content availability
- Integrate selection with print & audio

Access

- Integrating with print & audio for Reader's Advisory and cross-format reading
- Trying to be consistent across downloadable content (music, audio, video, etc.)
- Want to work towards downloading in library buildings (dependent on vendors)

Training

- Kits with 5 devices (Kobo, Nook, iPad, Kindle, Sony) and laptop sent to libraries for training
 - All staff providing customer service
- No in-person public training. Used online, point-of-use content & video
 - Mostly vendor-created
- Expanding use of video for ongoing support of the service

Future Plans

- Collection
 - Watching for other vendors
- Training
 - Looking for sustainable models for staff & customers
- Access
 - Looking for continuity as new products are added
 - Looking for integrating into ongoing services (My Account for all formats across vendors, etc.)

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