

International Read an eBook Day set for September 18

Free digital titles with just a library card and an Internet-connected computer or device

San Bernardino Public Library announced today that it will take part and celebrate International Read an eBook Day, an annual holiday to celebrate and raise awareness for reading on digital devices on September 18. In recent years, the popularity of eBooks has soared and readers are taking advantage of the eBook technology and popular titles available at their local library. Through July 2015, public library customers have borrowed 94.7 million eBooks and audiobooks, a 24 percent increase over the same period in 2014 (according to [OverDrive](#)). Readers with a library card can access eBooks from San Bernardino Public Library on all major computers and devices, including iPhone®, iPad®, Nook®, Android™ phones and tablets, Chromebook™, and Kindle® (U.S. only), anytime, anywhere by visiting <http://sbpl.lib.overdrive.com>.

Read an eBook Day is a celebration of modern storytelling. Readers around the world are encouraged to take part in the largest digital reading event by choosing from millions of free eBooks from their local library. Users are encouraged to share what they are reading and how they are celebrating on social media and join the #eBookLove conversation. Readers can use the hashtag on Facebook and Twitter to tell their story and share their love of eBooks or comment directly at www.readanebookday.com.

eBooks have proven to be a convenient, beneficial complement to traditional, physical books. When physical books are not available or practical – such as when you'd like to carry many at once, or if you can't make it to a store or library – eBooks offer a great alternative for instant access to reading.

Read and eBook Day falls in the middle of Library Card Sign-up Month, a time when the San Bernardino Public Library joins the American Library Association and public libraries nationwide to make sure that every student has the most important school supply of all – a free library card. To sign up for a library card, visit San Bernardino Public Library in person or online at www.sbpl.org and you can begin checking out digital titles immediately.

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