



Tuesday's Tip

information provided by Adriance Memorial Library to make your life a little bit easier

Resources for the Print Impaired-- Including NEW app for iPhone

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New York State Library coordinates our local version of a nationwide program bringing reading material to those who cannot read—whether due to blindness, visual impairment, or language processing difficulty (such as dyslexia) or other physical disability. This includes providing free equipment and listening material to registered participants. The service makes over 40,000 books available in sound files, and also includes magazines. There are Braille materials, physical cassettes for use in a special player (provided), and digital files.

Details of the services available can be found at: www.nysl.nysed.gov/tbbl/
Or call toll free: **(800) 342-3688** This number is staffed **Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. and 2 - 4:30 p.m.**

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Talking Book and Braille Library

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The New York State Talking Book and Braille Library (TBBL) lends audio and braille books and magazines to eligible residents of upstate New York who have a qualifying print disability. Currently, over 14,700 individual New Yorkers of all ages are registered for and receive Talking Book services.

Services Available to:

- [Adults](#)
- [Children / Students](#)
- [Schools](#)
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Related Resources:

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- [Finding Books and Other Materials](#)
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How do I...?

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What's New?

Audio Bibles Now Available in 19 Languages

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BARD (Braille and Audio Reading Download)

Digital books and magazines from the National Library Service (NLS) in Washington, D.C. are available for download from the [NLS BARD main page](#). There are more than 40,000 digital books and over 50 magazines available for download from this site, and new titles are constantly being added.

A [BARD Mobile app for the iPhone, iPad or iPod touch](#) is now available. (New September 2013!)

Application for BARD Service

In order to participate, you must first have a TBBL account. Then you can fill out an [online application for BARD service](#). Please note that there are separate applications for individuals and institutions (schools, hospitals, libraries, etc.).

Once we have verified you as an eligible and active TBBL user, which usually takes about two business days, we will send you an e-mail with your username and a temporary password.

When you log in the first time, you'll be asked to change your password to something you've selected yourself. You'll also be asked to agree to terms of use for the service.

You can then search for and download the audio books from the NLS BARD website.

Here is the announcement from the Library of Congress on the new Braille and Audio Reading Download (BARD) Mobile app for iPhone/iPad/iPod www.loc.gov/today/pr/2013/13-167.html, and a screenshot:

