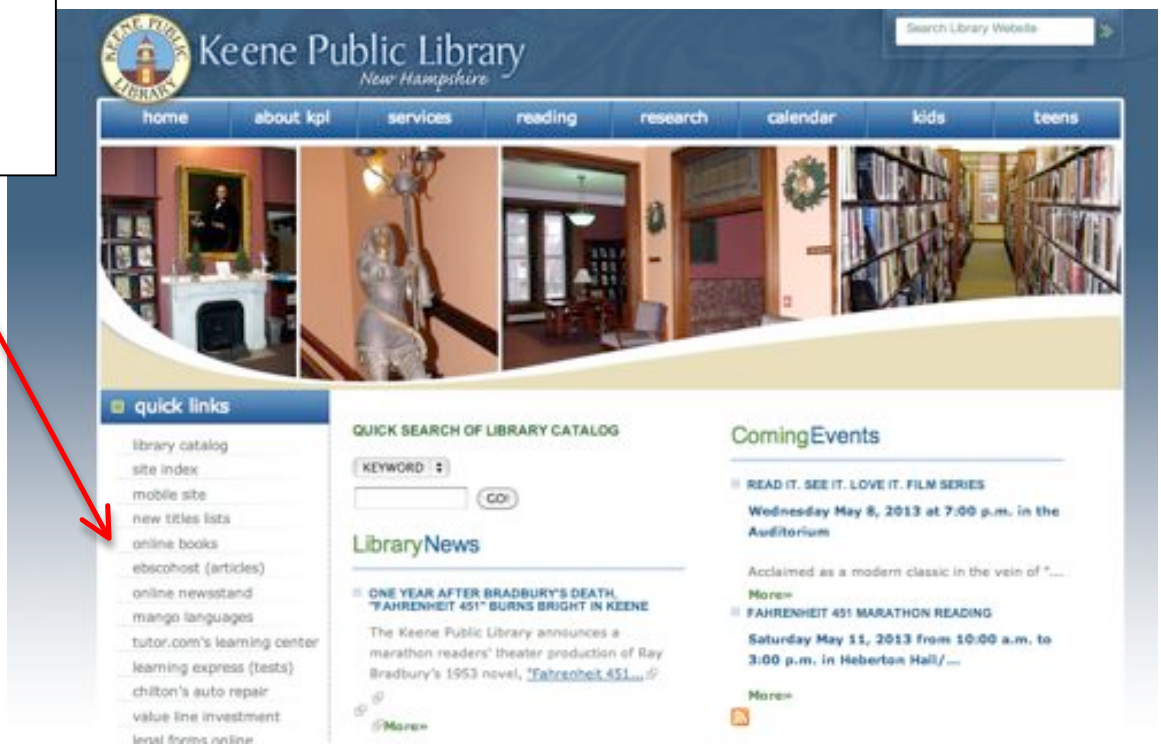
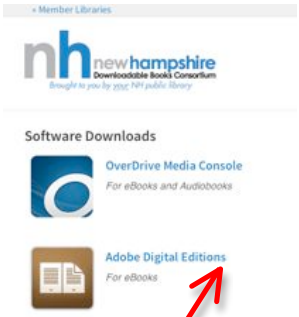
AUDIOBOOKS - DOWNLOADING FROM NH STATE LIBRARY

Step 1

Access the overdrive website via your town's web site



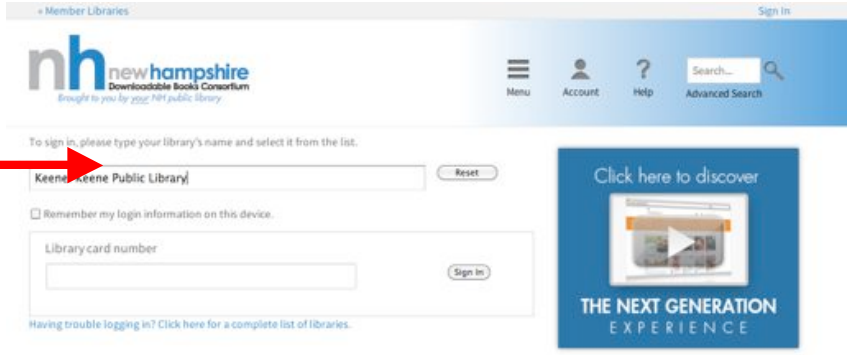


Step 2

Select Get Software if you have not already downloaded the software. Choose the software you want to download. You may download as many types as you wish to use (for mp3 players, iPods, iPads, smartphones, etc)If you already have the software downloaded, skip to step 3.

Step 3

Log in to your individual account using your library's name and your library card account number

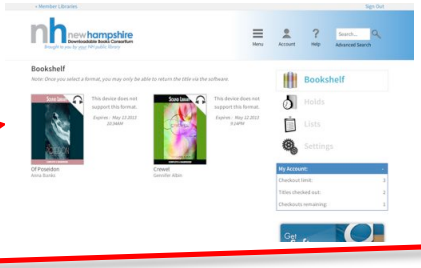


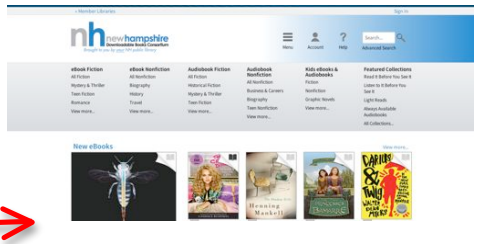
Step 4

Once you log in, you will see this screen if you have titles checked out.

If you do not have titles checked out, you will see this screen.

You can search for titles here.





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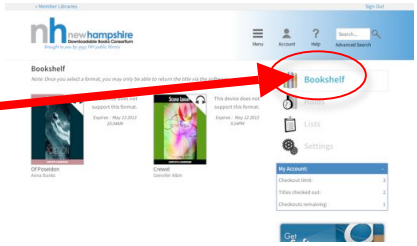
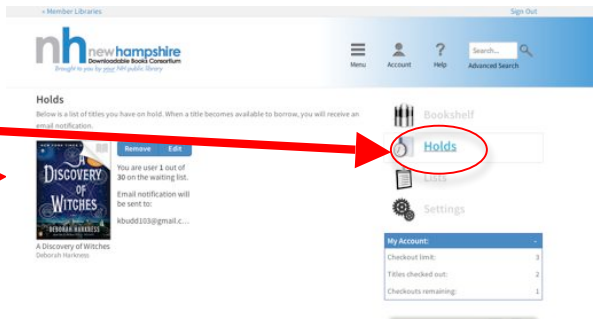


Titles you have on hold show up under the holds tab



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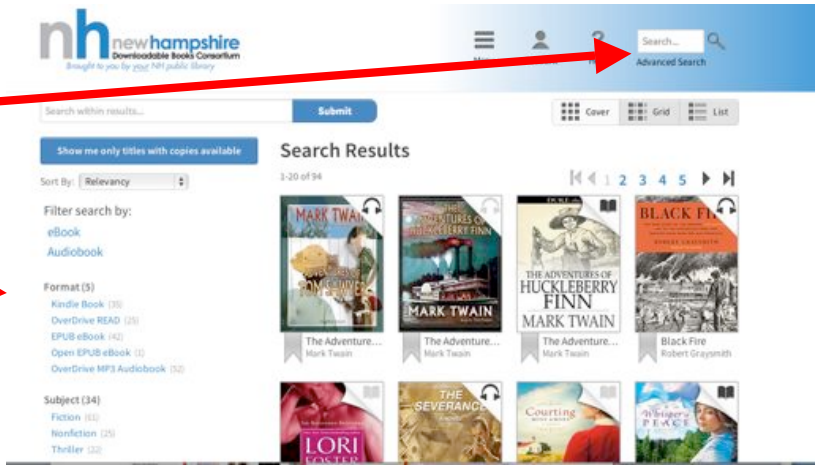
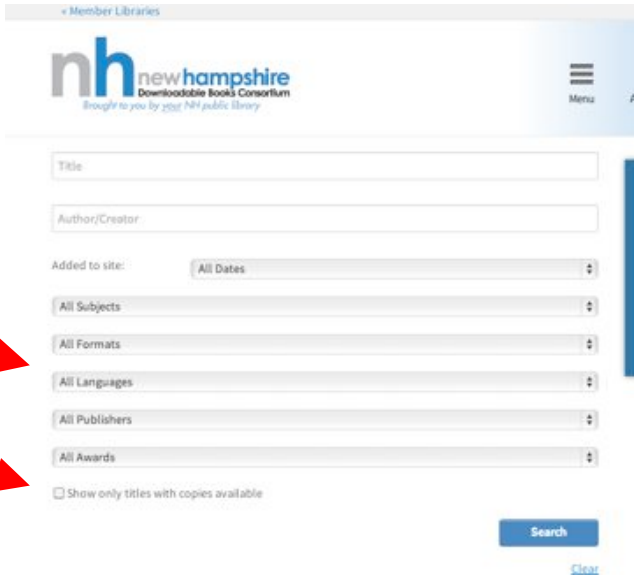
Search for titles here by typing in the author's name or the title of the book.

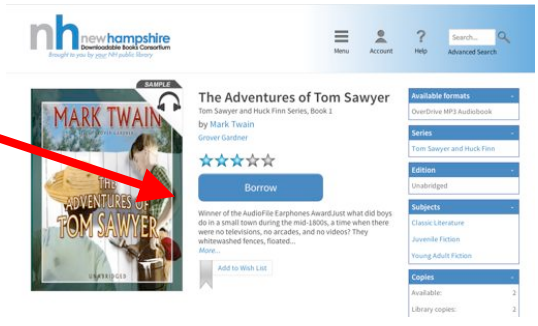
Or select from these options to narrow your search



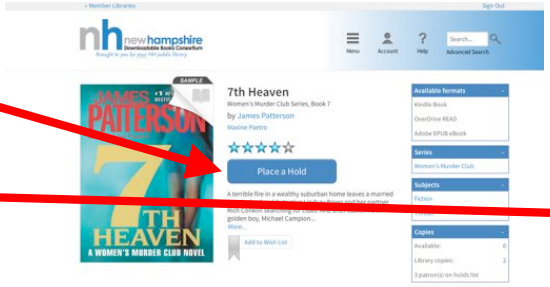
Or select advanced search to narrow your search even more. You can select the option to only show titles that are currently available.

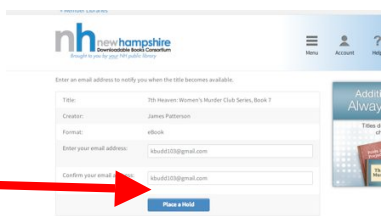


Step 5
If the book is available, then you will see the borrow option.



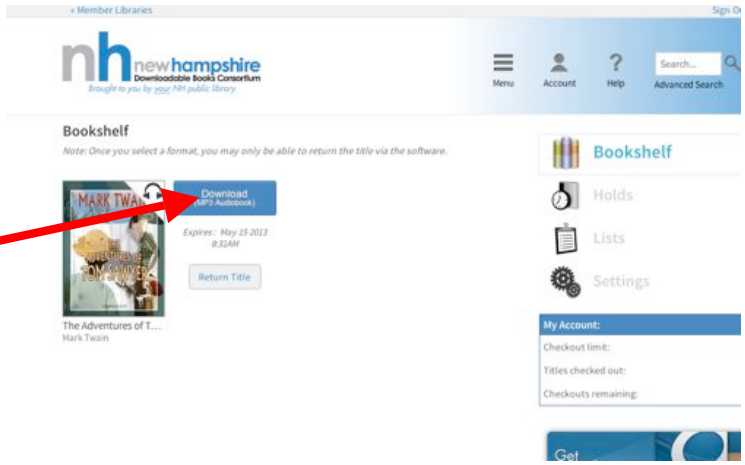
If the title is not currently available because someone else has it checked out, you will be given the option of placing a hold. You will need to provide an email address so when the title becomes available you will receive a notice via email.





Step 6

When you are ready to download the books, select the download button. Ebooks will give you the option to download for Kindle format or ePub format. Some audiobooks will give you the option to download as mp3 or wma format.



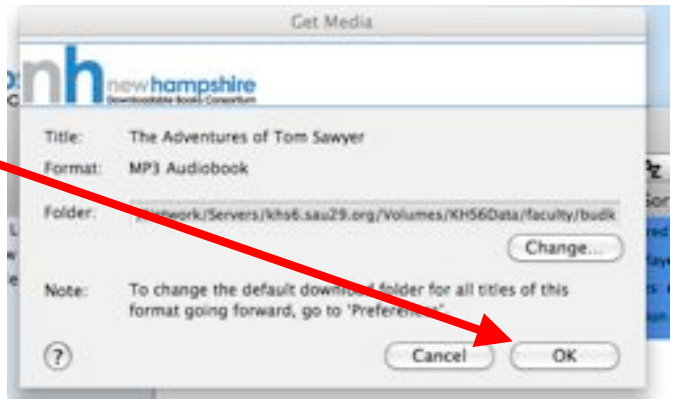
NOTE: mp3 players can use wma or mp3 format for audiobooks. iPods and other apple devices can only use mp3 format for audiobooks. If you are using an Apple device to search for books, you will probably not be able to see wma files for audiobooks. If you are using a non-Apple device to search for books then you will be able to see wma and mp3 files for audiobooks.

Step 7

You can select okay when this screen comes up. This is just selecting the software folder to store the downloaded book.

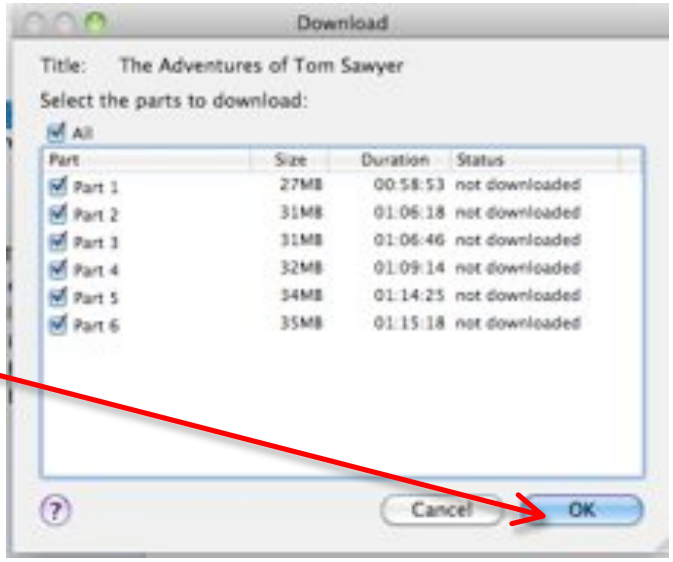
If you use the school computer, just select OK because the correct folder will already be selected for you. (it's the overdrive folder)

If you are doing this at home and you have already downloaded the free overdrive software, then the book will download to that folder. (the overdrive folder)



Step 8

All of the parts of the book will be pre-selected for you to download. Just select OK.

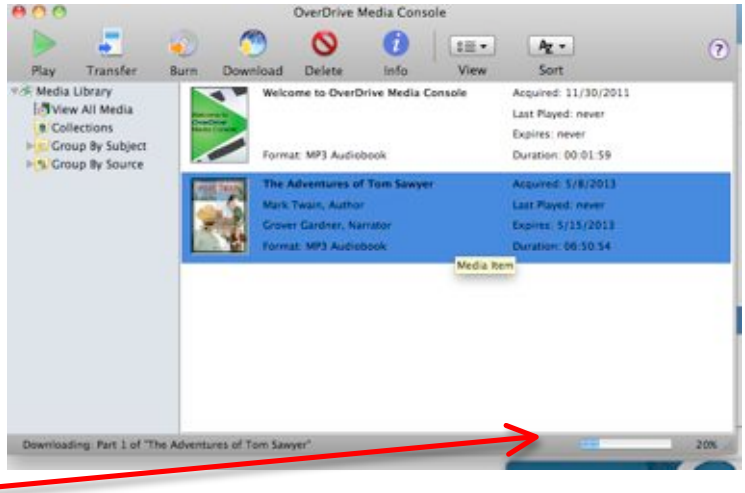


Step 9

This screen shows you that the book is being downloaded to the overdrive folder.

This is the folder where all audiobooks are saved until you put them on your mp3 player and until you delete them.

This shows you what parts are being downloaded. Downloads take between 3 – 5 minutes depending on the size of the book.

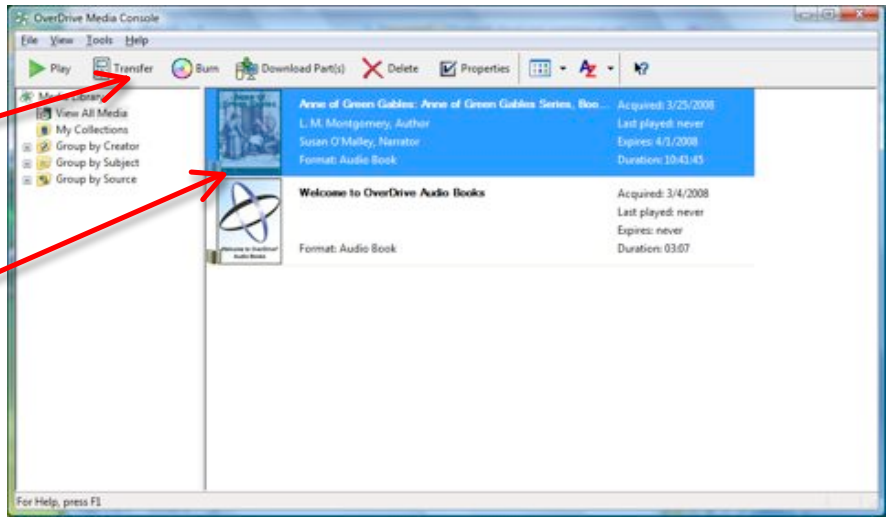


Step 10

Once the book has finished downloading, select transfer.

If you have more than one book available to transfer, choose the book you want to transfer first. (It will be highlighted the way this one is.)

Make sure your mp3 player is connected to the computer before you do this.

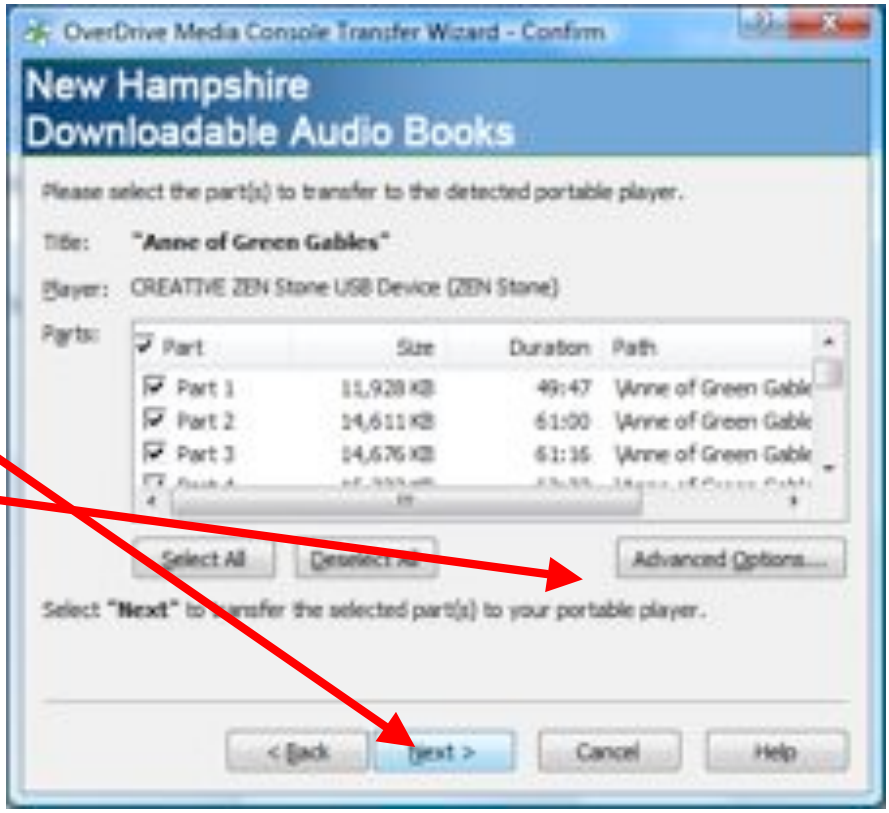


Step 11

All parts of the book will be automatically selected. If you do not use folders for the books, then select next.

If you use folders for your books, then select advanced options.

If you choose advanced options, simply write the name of the folder you want. (Most people name the folder the name of the book.)



Step 12

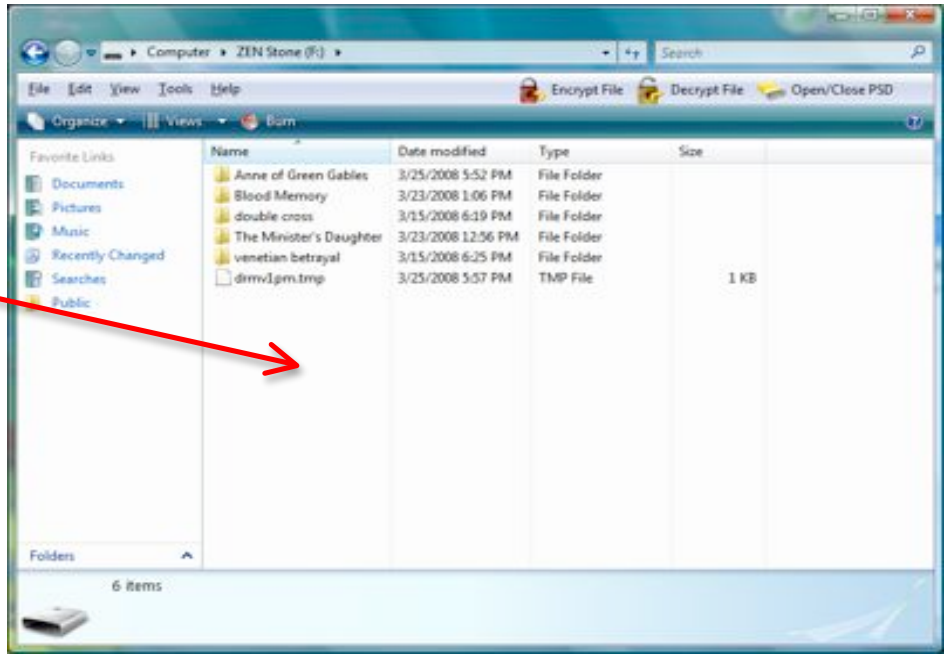
The book transfers to your mp3 player.

The estimated time it will take is given.

Step 13

This is what the folders look like (if you use them) on your mp3 player. This is what you will see if you open your mp3 player when it is plugged into the computer

When you are ready to listen to a book (the mp3 player is no longer connected to the computer), just select the folder you want.



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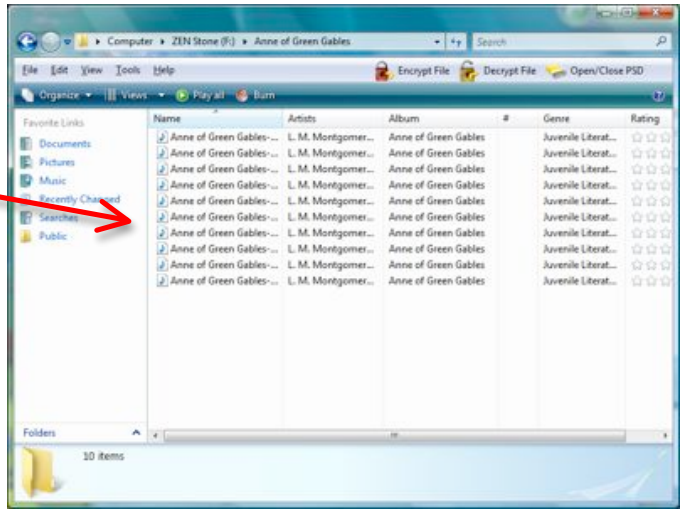
If you do not use folders on your mp3 player, this is what you will see when you open your mp3 player when it is plugged into the computer.



A NOTE ABOUT THIS AUDIOBOOK SERVICE.

- Each book checks out for 7 days. Once it is on your mp3 player, it is there until you delete it.
- You can only have 3 books checked out at one time.
- You can only have 5 holds at one time.
- Be careful: if you receive an email telling you that a book you had placed a hold on is available, do not try to check the book out if you already have 3 books checked out. You will "lose" the book because you are only allowed to check out 3 books at one time.
- Once you download the book to your overdrive folder, you will need to transfer it to your mp3 player within 7 days. After 7 days, although the book's icon will still be in the overdrive folder, you will not be able to download the file – it will empty itself.

A NOTE ABOUT MP3 PLAYERS .

If you pause or shut down your mp3 player while listening to the audiobook, when you start the mp3 player again, your place will be retained.

If your mp3 player runs out of a charge and shuts itself off on its own, when you try to listen to the audiobook, it will start at the beginning again. You can fast forward to where you left off.