

How the Library Can Support Families

During COVID-19



The Library's digital content can support learning at home by providing access to downloadable books (fiction and non-fiction), online encyclopedias, French materials and language learning. Our online Library resources are free, high quality and available from anywhere with an internet connection. They can help families to save money both on learning opportunities and entertainment. Visit ecrl.library.ns.ca/digital-content for a complete list of ECRL's digital content.

Please note: Students and family members who do not yet have a library card can register online by visiting ecrl.library.ns.ca/registration. New library users will be provided with an account number and PIN by email, which they can use to access all the library's digital services. All previous fines and bills are waived/forgiven so that all students can be signed up for Library cards.

The following digital services can help support learning at home and save families money:

- Downloadable ebooks and audiobooks (both fiction and non-fiction) are available from both **OverDrive** and **hoopla**. The wide selection will help children, from the early years to high school, find something they want to read.
- **hoopla** also offers downloadable music, television and films.
- **World Book Online** is an encyclopedia designed to make knowledge accessible and easy-to-find and is designed to engage students of all ages. It provides age-appropriate resources including thousands of articles, primary sources, and online books designed to support personalized learning and enhance digital citizenship. Our subscription to World Book Online includes **L'Encyclopédie Découverte**, World Book's French-language encyclopedia, and **Kids eLearn**, the premier general reference website uniquely developed for Arabic speaking youth.
- Current issues of **National Geographic** are available from **RBdigital**. A variety of other adult magazines including **Popular Science** are available for the non-fiction reader.
- **Universalis Junior** is a French-language reference tool for ages 7 and up.
- **Lynda.com** has a suite of Education and Elearning training and tutorials designed to help teachers and students leverage new technologies to maximize the potential to learn remotely. In addition, **Lynda.com** hosts high quality training courses on various types of software, including Microsoft, Apple, Adobe, and Google products.

Questions?

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