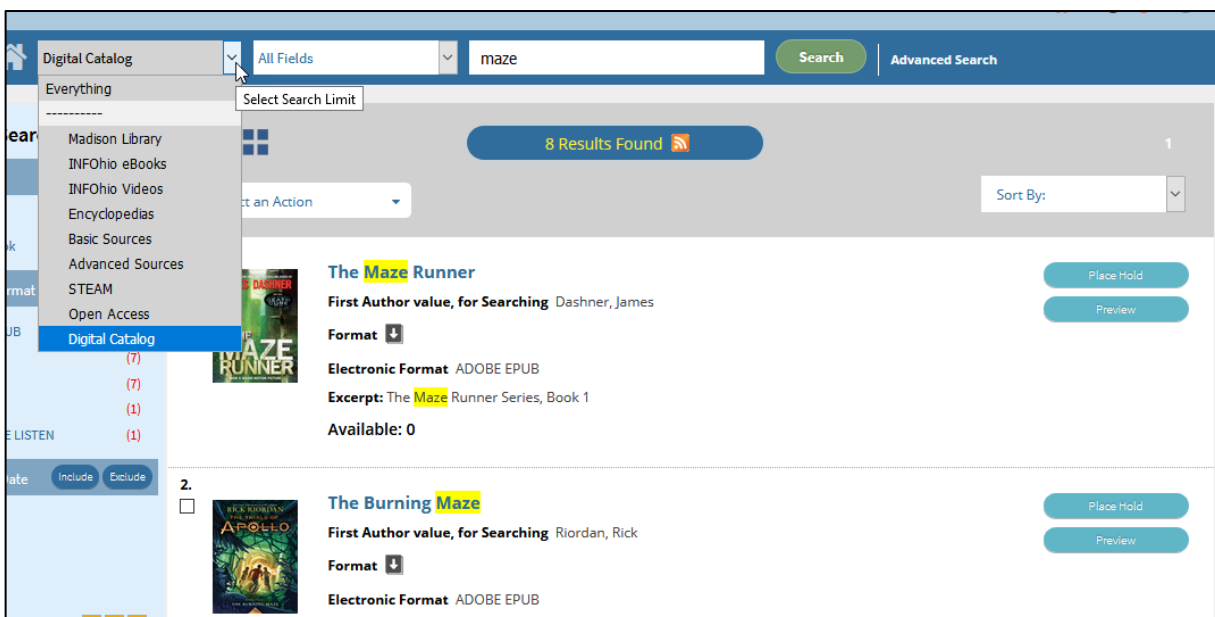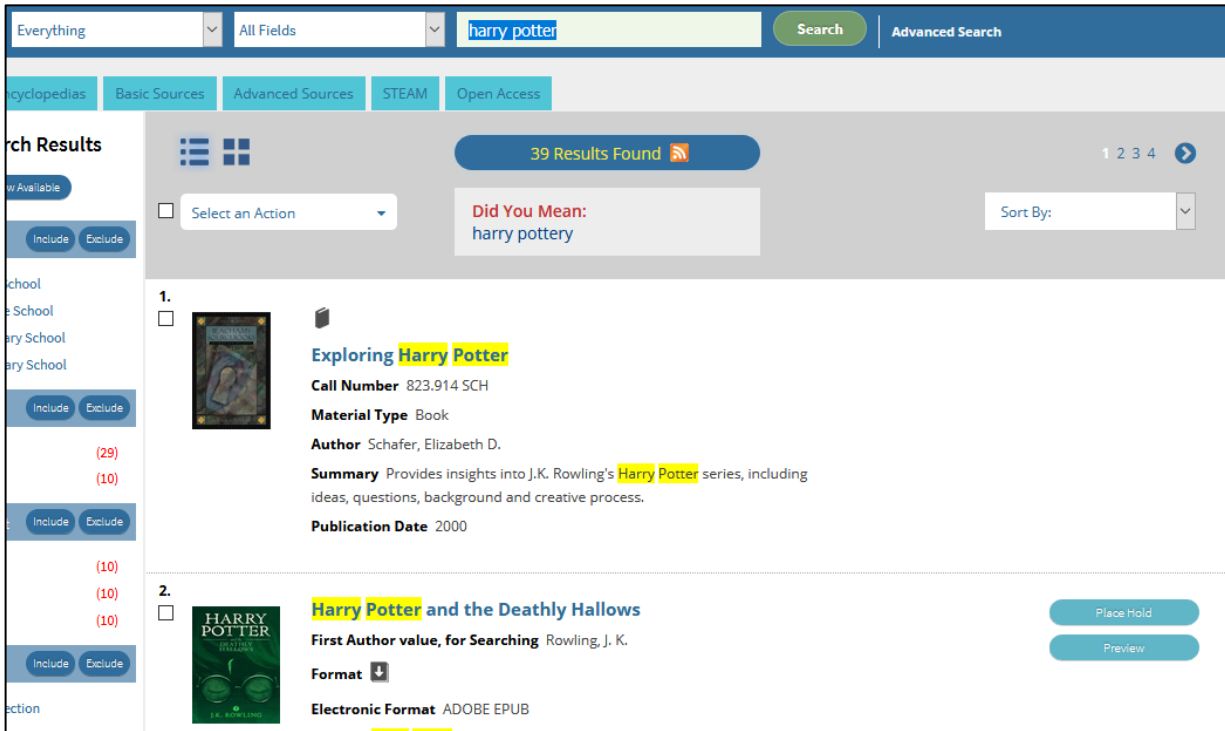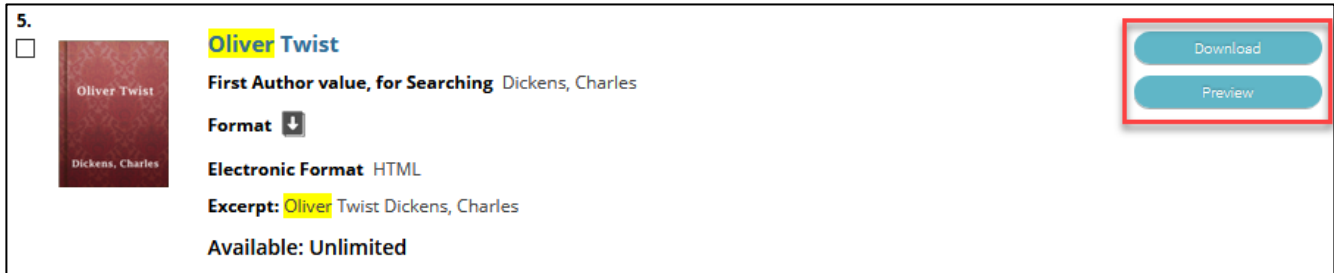## ISearch eBook Connector

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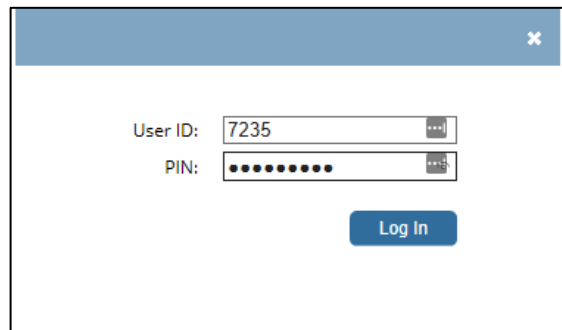
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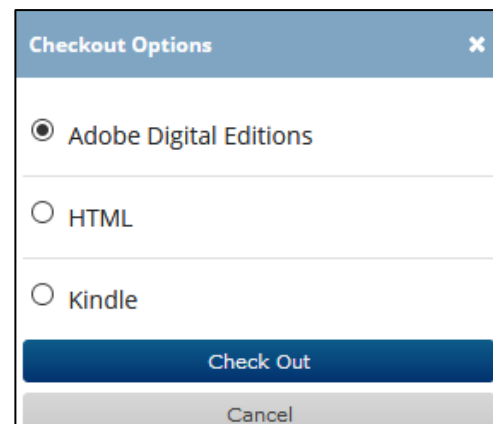- Preview
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Once **logged in,** you will be presented with the **formatting options** available for that action. The most common formats are HTML, Kindle, ePub, Adobe ePub, and PDF. HTML and PDF are viewable by most browsers. All formats are very often viewable by mobile devices once they are downloaded and an appropriate app from the app store has been installed. *Appendix A has additional information about format types and how one might view them.*

Selecting a format will cause the title to either be displayed immediately through *your browser*, or be downloaded to be opened by your app on *your mobile device*. Then begin reading*!*

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Holds under Digital Checkouts can be cancelled but not otherwise modified.

▼ Digital Holds

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Appendix A: OverDrive

Format Types	Played by
HTML	read by most current web browsers like Chrome, Firefox, Safari, IE 11 and Edge
Kindle	read by Kindle app, or Kindle device from Amazon. **Note:** You will be required to visit Amazon's website to complete the checkout through the digital content area of your account.
Adobe ePub	NOOK device with Adobe Digital Editions installed
PDF	read by most browsers using Adobe Reader
ePub	read by most any ereading app, including Adobe Digital Editions
MP3	read by most Windows or MACs. Can be transerred to iPod or other MP3 player. Burned to CD
OverDrive Listen	played by most current web browsers, including mobile devices
Windows Media Audio	audio streaming format for Windows, played by Windows

Tested with:

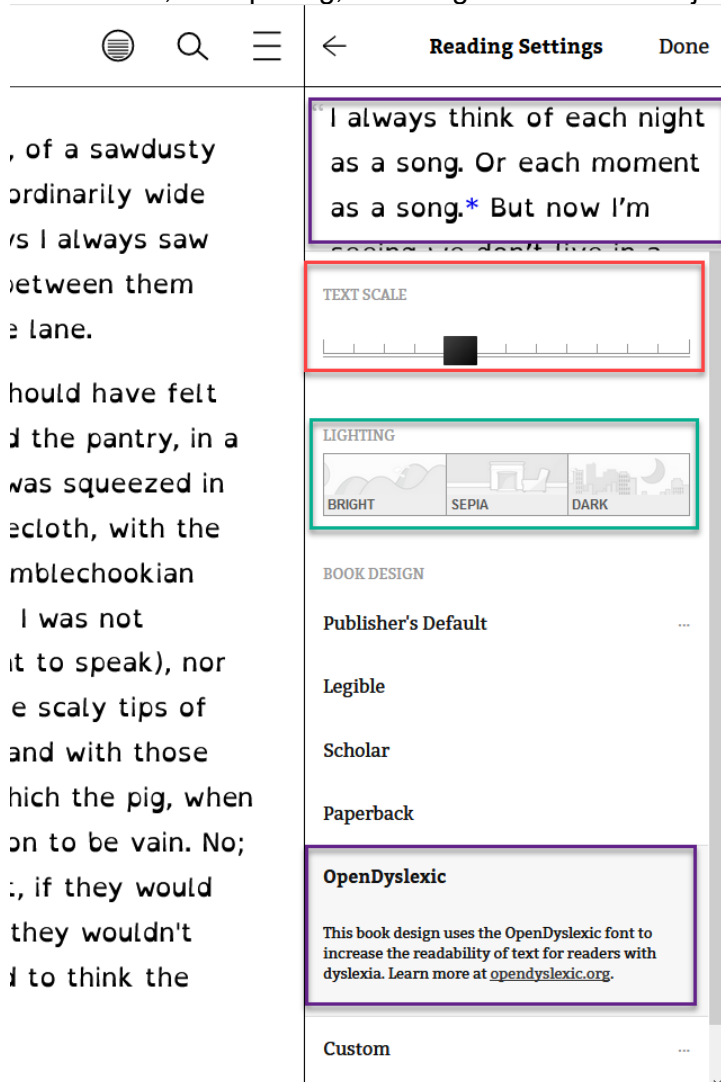| Browsers	Up to date version of:
Browsers	Up to date version of: • Chrome • Firefox • Safari • Internet Explorer 11 • Edge
Mobile Devices	e.g. Google, Samsung, HTC, LG, NOOK, etc • Android 4.0+ iPhone, iPad, iPod touch • iOS 9.0+ • Fire OS 4.5.4+

Many third-party vendors have a number of *features* that are available within eBooks like bookmarking, note taking, and highlighting*. Appendix B includes information about these types of features by specific vendor.*
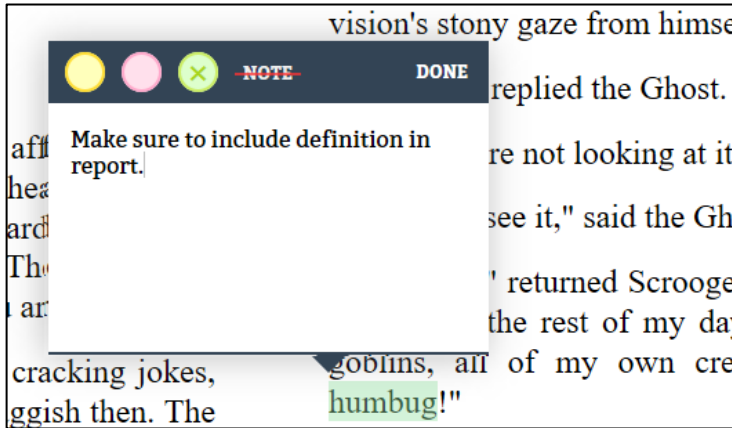
Appendix B: OverDrive

The OverDrive online reader and the Sora or Libby apps have a number of nice extended features to make your online reading more enriching. Here is an overview:
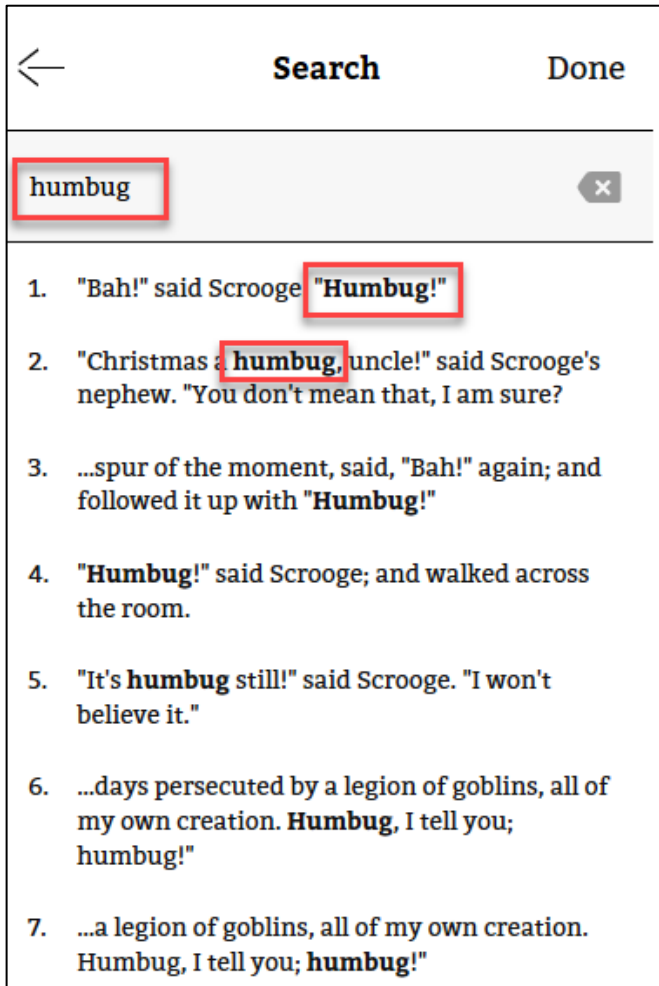
Reader settings:

To make online reading easier for you, there are a number of settings that can be changed. The actual scale of the text can be zoomed in or out. The lighting can be bright (black text on white background,) sepia (tan background), or dark (white text of dark background). The book design provides several different fonts – especially helpful for those with any reading difficulties. Justification, line spacing, and weight can also be adjusted.
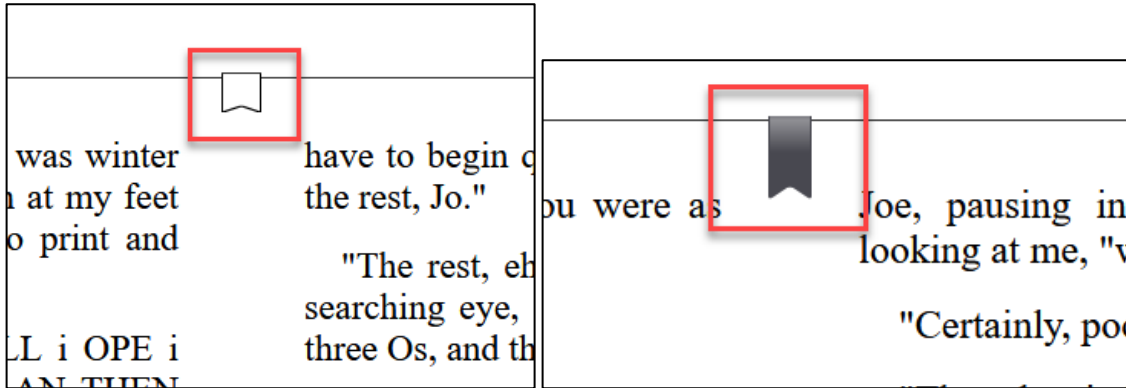
Highlighting, Defining, Note taking, and Searching:

Click and hold a word to highlight it, then you can choose to define it, add a note about it, or search for it elsewhere in the text. You can increase your highlighting by dragging the cursor to cover more words.

Choose to define the word.

Make a note to self.

Search for this word elsewhere in the text.

Bookmarking. If the **symbol** is blank, it is not bookmarked. If the symbol is larger and filled in, then this page is bookmarked. Click on the symbol to turn bookmarking on and off.

Example of list of bookmarks.

Offline Access:

Reading without the internet can be accomplished even if you are using OverDrive Read with a browser. Click on the menu and select Offline Access. Then start a download on the title. Your mobile device app will know where to put your file, but you may need to bookmark your desired page with your web browser before ending you browser session.