



APPLICATION FOR FREE LIBRARY SERVICE: *Individual*

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Talking Book Center
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Name: _____

Mailing Address:
City, State, ZIP: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Date of Birth (MM/DD/YY): _____ Gender: Male Female

Individual to contact in the event you cannot be reached:

Name: _____ Phone: _____

By law, preference in lending books and equipment is given to veterans. Please check here if you have been honorably discharged from the United States Armed Forces.

ELIGIBILITY AND CERTIFICATION

Please check the primary disability preventing you from reading standard print:

Blindness: *Vision 20/200 or less in the better eye with corrective lens, or visual field is no greater than 20 degrees.*

Visually Impaired: *Unable to read standard print for very long even with correction.*

Physically Impaired: *Unable to read a standard printed material due to physical limitations, e.g. paralysis, extreme weakness, loss of arms or hands.*

Reading Disability: *Disability must be physically based (an organic dysfunction) and of sufficient severity to prevent reading standard print. Application must be signed by doctor of medicine or osteopathy.*

Deaf/Blind: In addition to any of the previously indicated conditions, do you also have any hearing loss? If so, please indicate the degree:

Moderate (some difficulty hearing and understanding speech)

Profound (cannot hear or understand speech)

TO BE COMPLETED BY A CERTIFYING AUTHORITY

- In the case of **blindness, visual impairment, or physical limitations**, a “certifying authority” includes doctors of medicine or osteopathy; ophthalmologists; optometrists; registered nurses; therapists; and professional staff of hospitals, institutions, and public or private welfare agencies (e.g. social workers, caseworkers, counselors, rehabilitation teachers, and superintendents). In the absence of any of these, certification may be made by professional librarians or by any person whose competence under specific circumstances is acceptable to the Library of Congress.
- In the case of **reading disability** from organic dysfunction, a “certifying authority” includes doctors of medicine and doctors of osteopathy who may consult with colleagues of associated disciplines.

I certify the applicant named has requested library service and is unable to read or use standard printed material for the reason(s) indicated above.

Certifying Authority's Name			
Title/Occupation			
Street Address			
City, State, ZIP			
Phone			
Signature		Date	

Applications received without certification will not be processed.

READING PREFERENCES

I only want to select my own books. I will send the library requests from catalogs such as *Talking Book Topics*. Please help the library send you a **sample book** by indicating your reading interests below.

In addition to selecting books myself, I would like the library to select books for me when my requests are not available. Please send me _____ books at a time.

*Select up to **TEN** types of books you want to receive:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Adventure, Fiction | <input type="checkbox"/> History, World |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Alaska, Fiction | <input type="checkbox"/> History, United States |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Alaska, Non-fiction | <input type="checkbox"/> Horror |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Animals, Non-fiction | <input type="checkbox"/> Mystery/Detective |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bestsellers, Fiction | <input type="checkbox"/> Occult/Paranormal, Fiction |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bestsellers, Non-fiction | <input type="checkbox"/> Poetry |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Biographies, General | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion, Non-fiction |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historical Biographies | <input type="checkbox"/> Romance |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Political Biographies | <input type="checkbox"/> Science Fiction |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Popular Culture Biographies | <input type="checkbox"/> Science, Non-fiction |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sports Biographies | <input type="checkbox"/> Sea Stories |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Christian Fiction | <input type="checkbox"/> Short Stories |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Classics | <input type="checkbox"/> Sports, Fiction |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cooking | <input type="checkbox"/> Sports, Non-fiction |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Crime, Non-fiction | <input type="checkbox"/> Spy Fiction |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Economics | <input type="checkbox"/> Suspense |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family Sagas, Fiction | <input type="checkbox"/> Supernatural |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fantasy | <input type="checkbox"/> Travel, Non-fiction |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Frontier/Pioneer Life, Fiction | <input type="checkbox"/> War, Fiction |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Government/Politics | <input type="checkbox"/> War, Non-fiction |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historical Fiction | <input type="checkbox"/> Westerns |

The reading levels I enjoy reading are:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Kindergarten—Grade 3 | <input type="checkbox"/> Grades 4-7 | <input type="checkbox"/> Young Adult |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Grades 2-4 | <input type="checkbox"/> Grades 6-9 | <input type="checkbox"/> Adult |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Grades 3-6 | | |

I do not wish to receive books that contain:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Strong Language | <input type="checkbox"/> Violence | <input type="checkbox"/> Explicit Descriptions of Sex |
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FAVORITE AUTHORS OR OTHER READING PREFERENCES

Please share any other information that will help us to select books for you.

BOOKS, EQUIPMENT, AND OTHER SERVICES

Please check the items that you wish to receive:

- Talking Books and a Digital Book Player:** Easy to use digital player that plays Library of Congress digital books cartridges. Also works with online BARD downloading system.
- Talking Books in Spanish:** Other languages currently not available.
- Braille Books**
- Large Print Books**
- Musical Instruction Materials**

MACHINE ACCESSORIES

Special accessories for players are available. Please check those that are needed:

- Headphones**
- Pillow Speaker:** For readers confined to bed.

ANY OTHER INFORMATION THAT MAY BE USEFUL IN SERVING YOU?
