Using ebooks on the iPad

Ebooks may be borrowed from the library and downloaded directly onto an iPad, if the iPad has the Bluefire Reader app installed, and Bluefire has been registered with your AdobeID.

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The first thing to check is that Bluefire is installed - you should see the icon somewhere on the iPad home screen. If not, swipe your finger from about halfway down the iPad screen towards the bottom to bring up the search box. If you type Bluefire into the box, the icon should be listed if it is installed on the iPad.



If you tap on the icon, Bluefire will open, and display a list of the books available on the iPad. This will include any e-books borrowed from the library.

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If Bluefire is installed, try step 2 below:

2. Is the AdobeID registered?

The publishers use a special encryption on their books so that they can't be copied and distributed. To download e-books from the library requires customers to have a valid Solihull library card, and to register an email address with Adobe.

If Bluefire is installed on the iPad, you can check if the Adobe ID is registered by opening Bluefire and tapping on the i button in the top right-hand corner.



This will indicate if Bluefire has been linked with the correct AdobeID.

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3. Have the books been downloaded?

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