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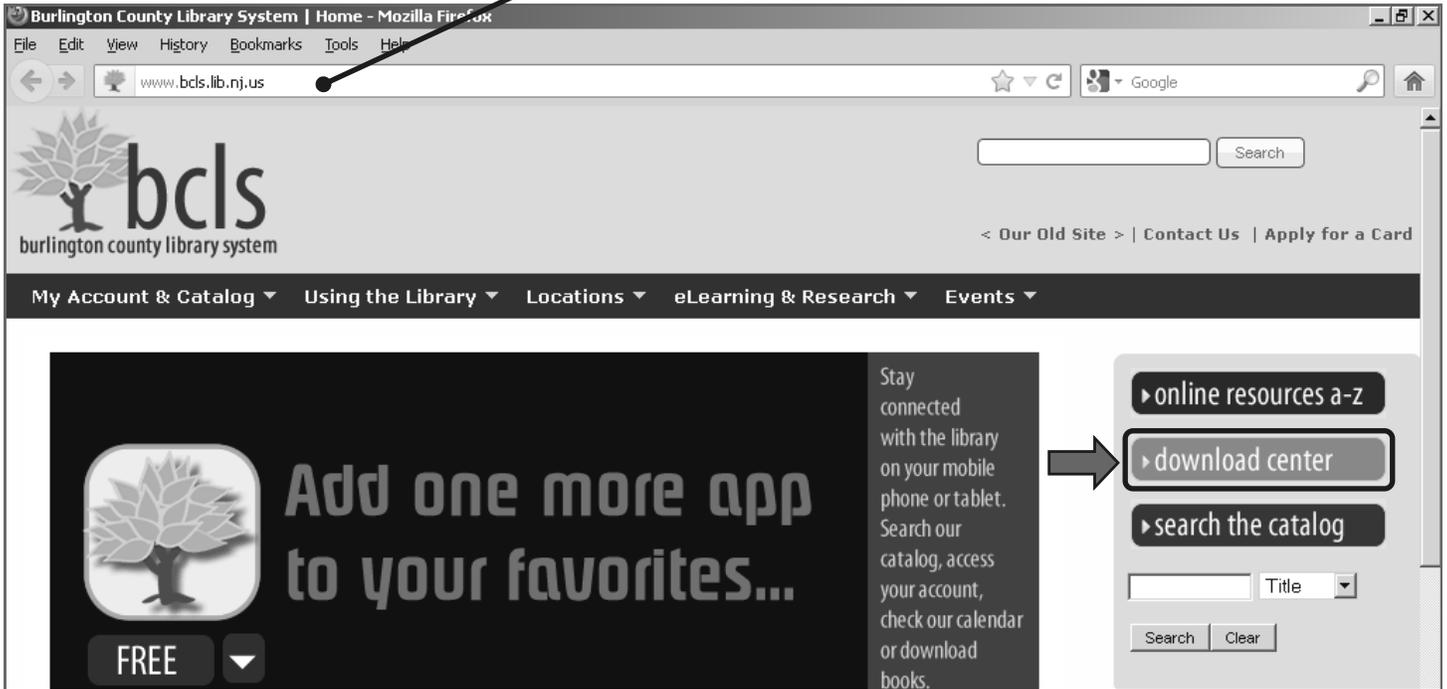
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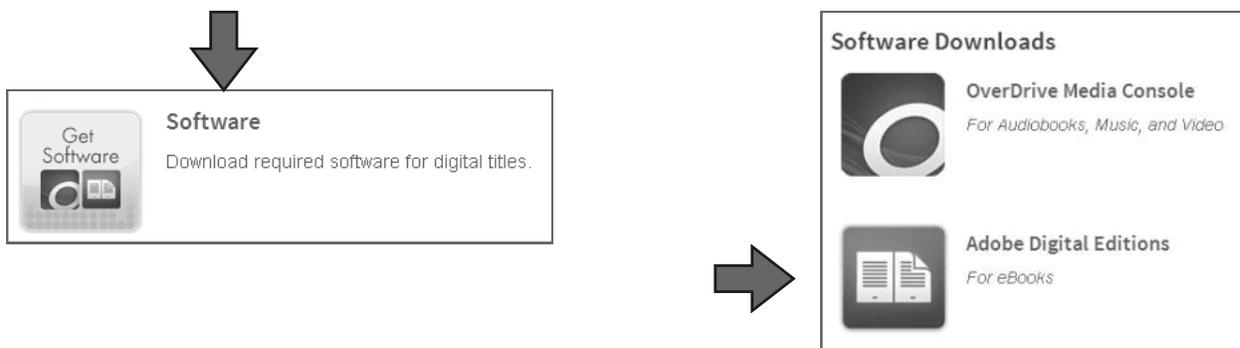
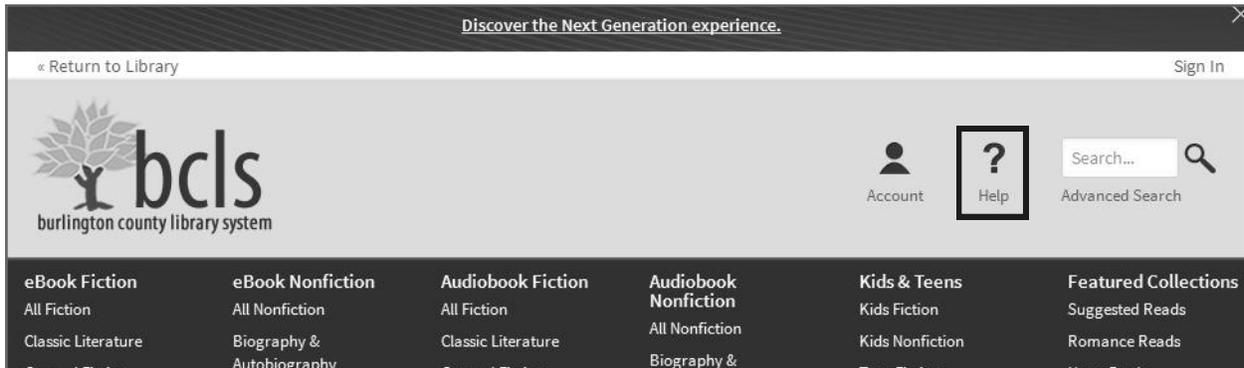
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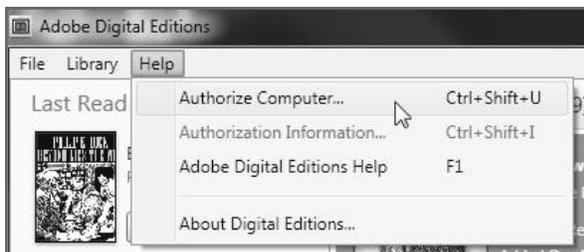
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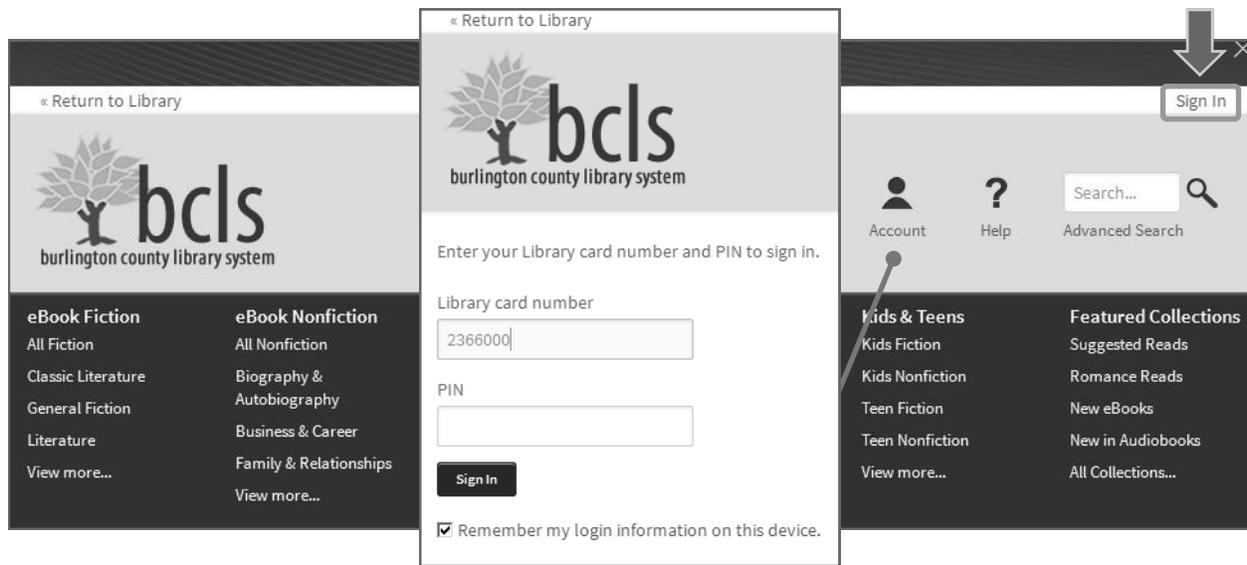
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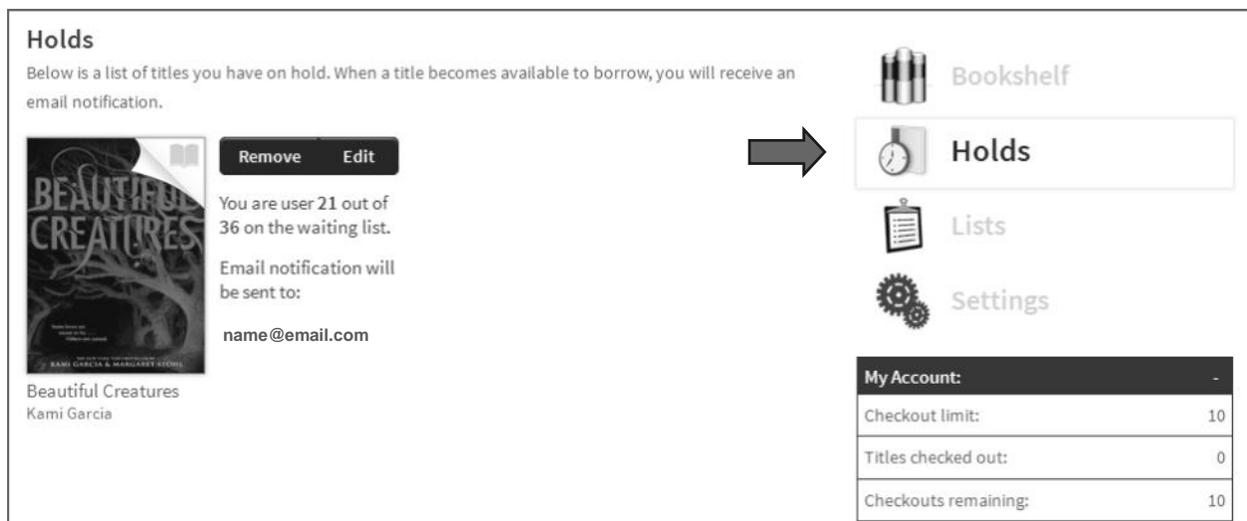
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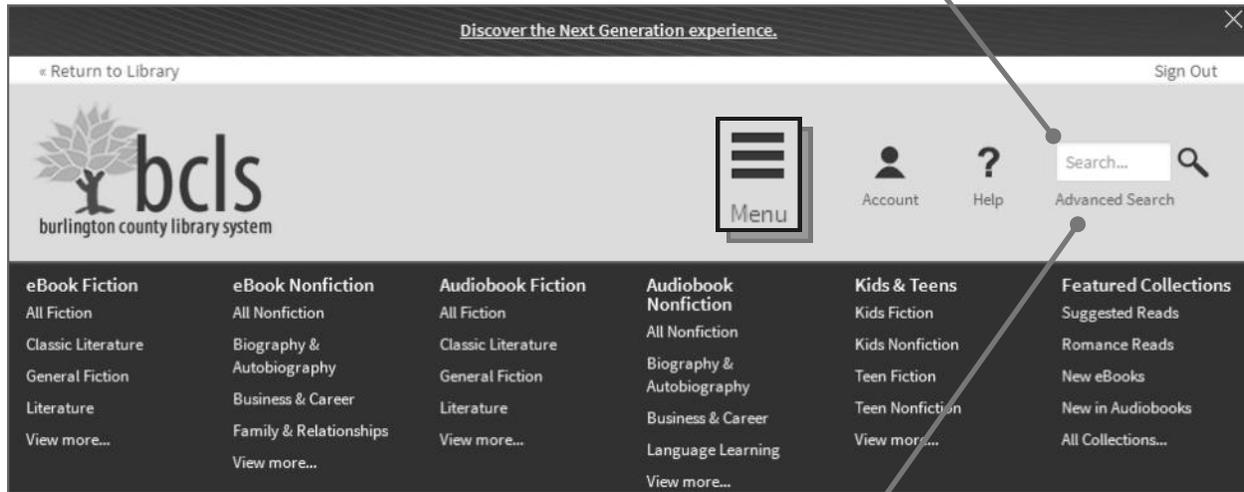


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A screenshot of the "Advanced Search" form. It features several input fields: "Title", "Author/Creator", "Added to site:" (with a dropdown menu set to "All Dates"), "All Subjects" (dropdown), "All Formats" (dropdown), "All Languages" (dropdown), "All Publishers" (dropdown), and "All Awards" (dropdown). Below these fields are three checkboxes: "Library Collection", "Available Now", and "Additional Titles". A "Search" button is at the bottom right, and a "Clear" link is at the bottom right corner. Two grey arrows point from the left towards the "All Subjects" and "All Formats" dropdown menus.

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The screenshot shows a library search results interface. At the top, there is a search bar with the text "Search within results..." and a "Submit" button. Below the search bar, there are tabs for "Library Collection", "Available Now", and "Additional Titles". The main heading is "Search Results" with a sub-heading "1-20 of 364". On the left side, there are filters for "Sort By: Relevancy" and "Filter search by:" with options for eBook, Audiobook, and Video. Below that, there are format options: "Format (8)" including Kindle Book (247), OverDrive READ (92), EPUB eBook (250), PDF eBook (94), Open PDF eBook (4), OverDrive MP3 Audiobook (33), OverDrive WMA Audiobook (95), and Video (2). The main area displays a grid of book covers. Annotations include a box labeled "Available" pointing to the book "Abraham Lincoln" and a box labeled "Wait list" pointing to the book "A Game of Thrones".

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The screenshot shows the detail page for the book "The Night Circus" by Erin Morgenstern. On the left is the book cover, which is black and white and features silhouettes of a man and a woman. The title "The Night Circus" is prominently displayed. To the right of the cover, the author's name "Erin Morgenstern" is listed, followed by a five-star rating. Below the rating is a "Place a Hold" button. Underneath the button is a short description: "The circus arrives without warning. No announcements precede it. It is simply there, when yesterday it was not. Within the black-and-white striped canvas tents is an utterly unique experience full of..." and a "More..." link. At the bottom left of the description area is an "Add to Wish List" button. On the right side of the page, there are several sections: "Available formats" with a list of "Kindle Book", "OverDrive READ", and "EPUB eBook"; "Subjects" with a list of "Fantasy", "Fiction", "Literature", and "Romance"; and "Copies" with a table showing "Available: 0", "Library copies: 4", and "2 patron(s) on holds list". Arrows point from the "Place a Hold" button to the "Available formats" section and from the "Add to Wish List" button to the "Copies" section.

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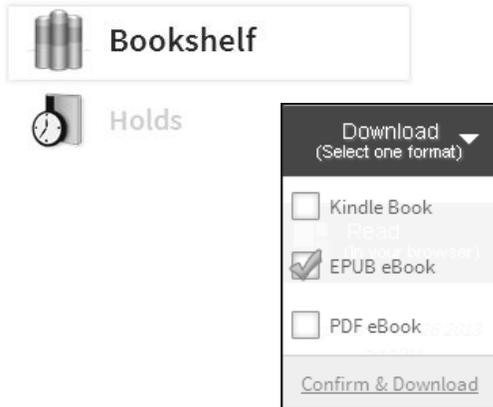
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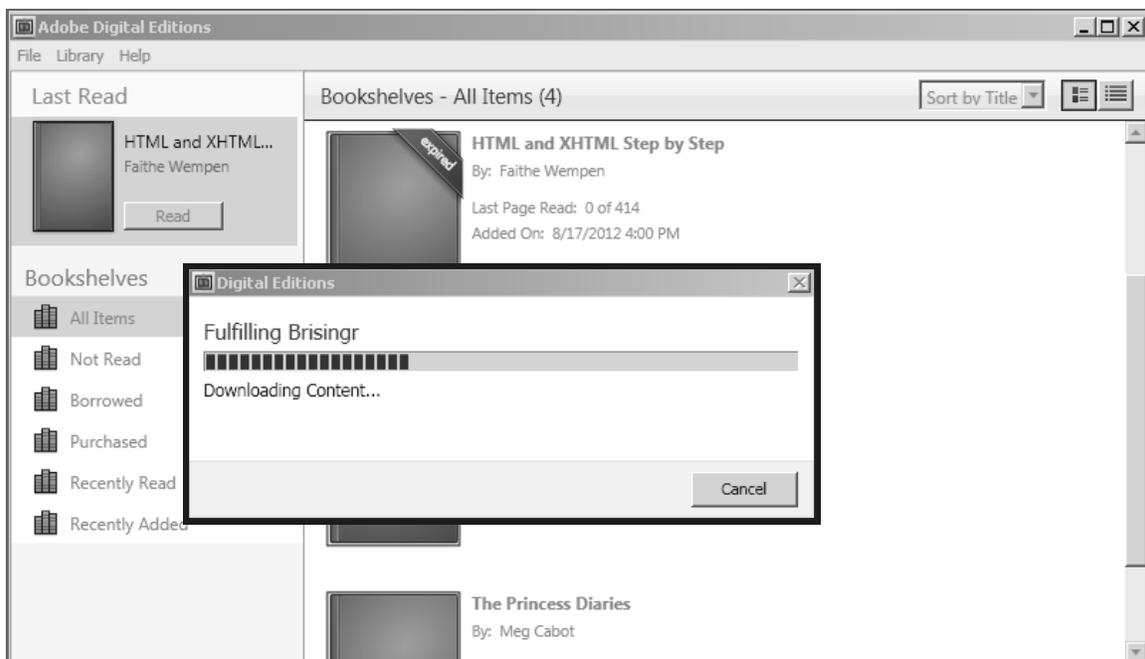
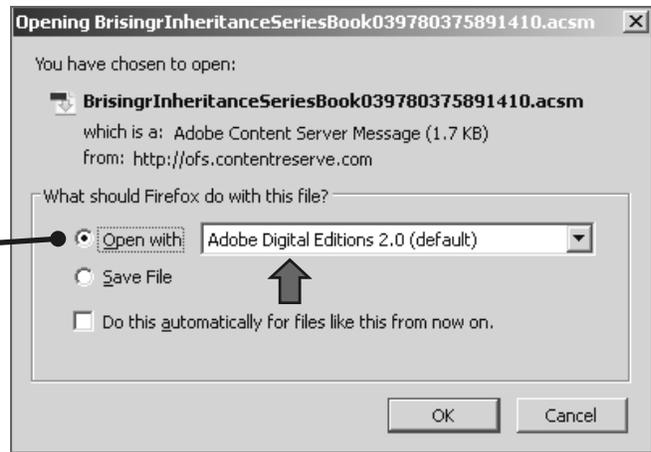
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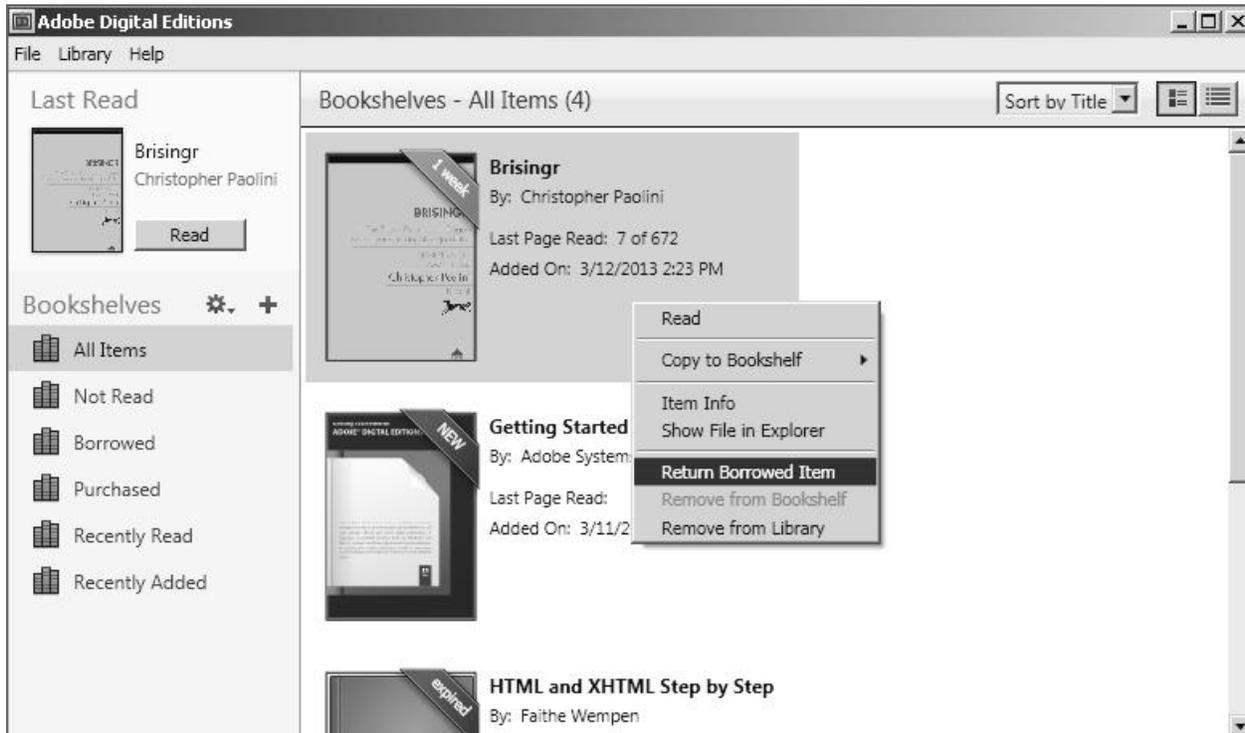
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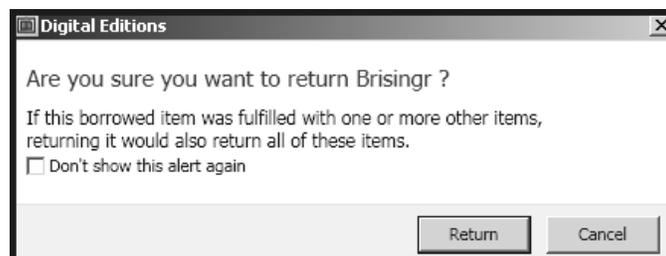
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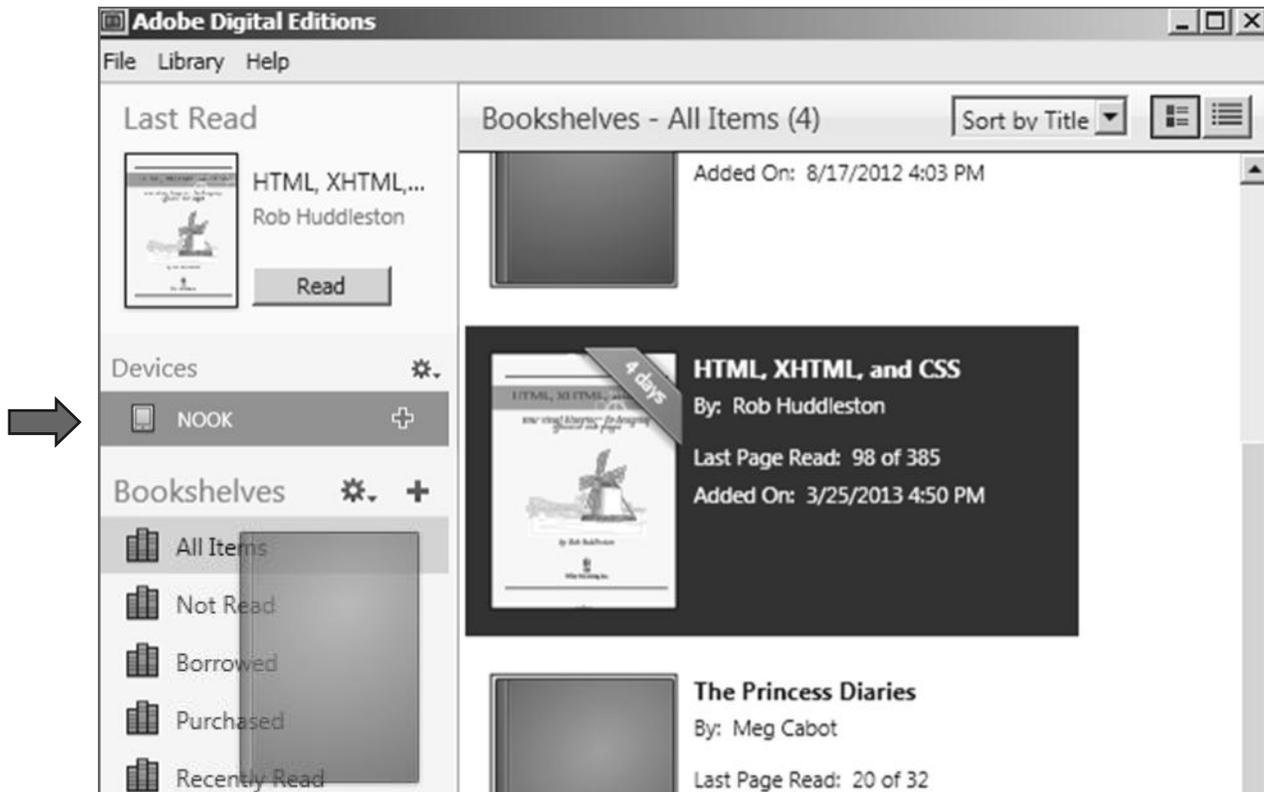
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