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# KINDLE BUFFET

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## **Kindle Buffet: Free books, all you can eat!**

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## Editor's Picks: 13 fresh Kindle freebies

Posted on August 23, 2012 by Steve Weber

That's right, here's another fresh batch of great Kindle freebies. Each book listed here has gone FREE within the past 24 hours. Books qualify for "Editor's Picks" if they have outstanding customer reviews. **Warning: Kindle book promotions can end without notice, so before downloading click the link "See Kindle price at Amazon" to verify that the book is still free.**

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Product Description Maura Sullivan never intended to set foot in Granger, Ohio, again. But when circumstances force her to return, she must face all the disappointments she tried so hard to leave behind: a husband who ignored her, a congregation she couldn't please, and a God who took away everything she ever loved. Nick Shepherd thought he had put the past

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Kindle Bestsellers

**Figure 1. The home page at KindleBuffet.com. Visit the site and get the free newsletter showing Editor's Picks of the highest quality Kindle books currently offered free.**

## **No Kindle? No problem!**

Recently Amazon's line of Kindle devices have gotten so inexpensive it's hard to resist buying at least one. But you don't need any of Amazon's hardware to enjoy Kindle books. Amazon offers free Kindle apps for nearly every brand of cellphone, tablet, and desktop computer. For that matter, you can read Kindle books in a Web browser.

For more information on Kindle reading apps, search your device's app store for "Kindle" or consult this page: <http://bit.ly/ReadApps>

One footnote: In a coming section, we'll discuss how to "borrow" Kindle books, and for that you'd need a Kindle device.

## **More sites for finding Kindle freebies**

As I mentioned, I have a special interest in Kindle Buffet since it's my baby. But there are several worthy competitors, and I'll list them here. Each has a different focus that you might find useful. Kindle Buffet's main attraction is that its "Editor's Picks" section focuses on the



very best Kindle books currently offered free, so if your reading time is limited, Kindle Buffet might be an effective time-saver. Some of the other sites, however, offer a more complete selection. Also, some of the other sites accept advertising from authors who pay to have their books featured. Nothing wrong with that, except that it results in these sites recommending some truly awful books from time to time.

Like Kindle Buffet, the sites mentioned here participate in the Amazon Services LLC Associates Program, an affiliate program that pays advertising fees for linking to Amazon.com. While this list isn't exhaustive, these sites are among the best:

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**Pixel of Ink** offers a daily selection of free Kindle books and hot deals, which includes bargain Kindle books priced under \$1, under \$3, or under \$5. If you're a reader of Christian or Faith-based literature, you'll want to check out this site's "Inspired Reads" section.

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## **MORE GOLD MINES OF FREE BOOKS**

Until now, our discussion has focused on current books—those published within the past few years and usually available free only through Amazon for a limited time. However, there is a whole new category of books freely available on Amazon and other sites. These “Public Domain” works include the classics from authors like William Shakespeare, Jane Austen, Jules Verne, Charles Dickens, Mark Twain, and countless others. Unlike the books featured in Kindle Buffet’s “Editor’s Picks,” these old classics remain free all year long.

These free classics can pop up any time you’re browsing or searching Amazon. For example, enter a search for “Bronte,” and among the results are free Kindle editions of up books by the Bronte sisters—Ann, Charlotte and Emily—as shown below:

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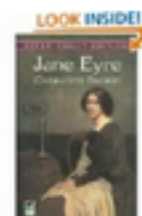
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**The Tenant of Wildfell Hall** by Anne Brontë and Humphry Ward (Mar 30, 2011)

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## **Figure 6: Free eBooks of classic novels by the Bronte sisters.**

Notice the books with the generic covers and the book with the Kindle graphic for a cover. They're all priced at \$0.00. These are Public Domain titles, so Amazon lets you download them for free to your Kindle. The beige and green covers appear on several of the books in my library, pictured below. These are all free—and rather hard-to-find in printed form—books that I got from Amazon.com.

In the image below, King Henry V by Shakespeare, Four Weird Tales by Algernon Blackwood, The Centaur by Algernon Blackwood, The Return by Walter de la Mare and the Raven by Edgar Allen Poe were all free. Amazon has a huge collection available.

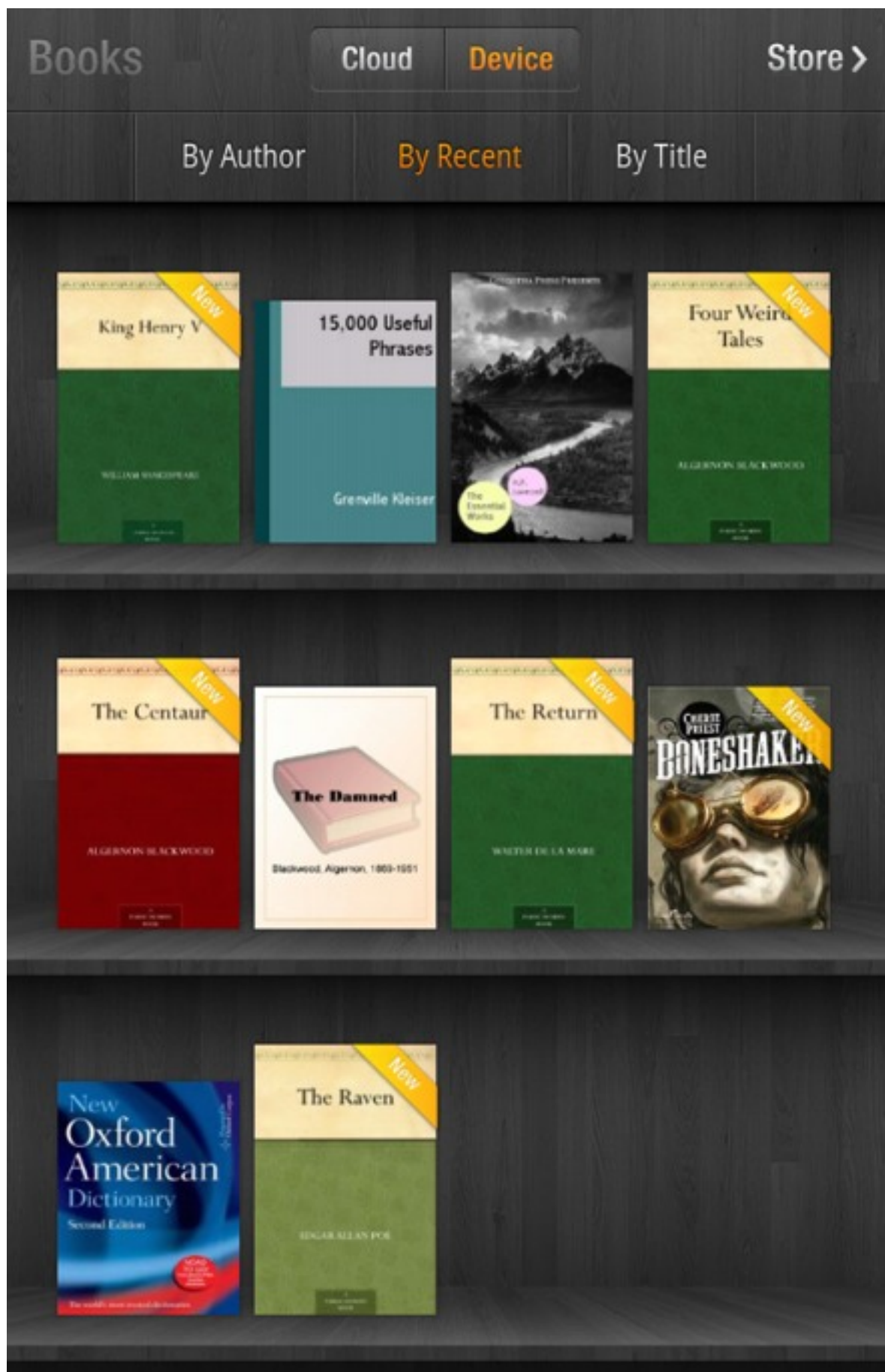


Figure 7: My Library showing several free books.

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**TIP:** Many rare and out-of-print books are now available as eBooks from several different sites. If you've been searching for a book that means a lot to you to own—maybe something from your childhood or with similar sentimental value—be sure to check Project Gutenberg and Amazon. It may well be available on one of these sites.

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In addition to Amazon, several other websites offer vast selections of Public Domain books. The most well-known is likely Project Gutenberg, located at <http://www.gutenberg.org/>.

## **Exploring Project Gutenberg**





**Figure 3: The Project Gutenberg homepage**

**Figure 123** shows the Project Gutenberg homepage. The left navigation menu gives you access to the site’s entire book catalog. You can choose to **Search Catalog**, **Browse Catalog** or you can view **Book Categories**.

Let's search for a well-known suspense story, "The Turn of the Screw" by Henry James. Here is the result from Project Gutenberg:



**Figure 4: Search results for 'Turn of the Screw' at Project Gutenberg.**

Notice that, on the right of the page, there are two results listed. The first is a link to all the eBook versions of The Turn of the Screw. The one below it is a link to the audio version of the story. Project Gutenberg has a lot of audio books that are public domain and that are read by volunteers. If you want to stock up on audio books for a long trip, this is a good place to do it!

Let's click on the link to the eBook version of The Turn of the Screw.



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**Figure 5: The eBook Versions of ‘The Turn of The Screw.’**

Project Gutenberg will typically offer books in a variety of formats. Notice that there are HTML, EPUB, Kindle, PLocker, QiOO Mobile and Plain Text versions of this eBook.

## The perks of Amazon Prime

This is a good point to mention Amazon Prime, a subscription offered to Amazon customers for \$79

annually. Membership entitles you to watch thousands of free movies and TV series on Kindle Fires and compatible televisions. In addition to free and low-cost shipping rates on physical goods sold by Amazon, Prime membership provides access to a Kindle lending library described below. Customers who purchase a Kindle Fire receive one free month of Prime. For details on Amazon Prime, see [Amazon.com/prime](https://www.amazon.com/prime).

## **The Kindle Owner's Lending Library**

You also have access to the Kindle Owner's Lending Library, a feature that comes if you choose to keep your Amazon Prime subscription. This is very easy to access:

- Open up your **Books** library and go to **Store**
- On the right-hand side of the screen, select “**Kindle Owner's Lending Library**”
- Select a Category
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Suzanne Collins

★★★★★ (2,836)

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Stephanie Hale

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## **Figure 8: The fiction Kindle Owner's Lending Library.**

Books may be returned at any time, but you have to return the book you have before you can borrow another. Go to <http://Amazon.com/myk> to return a book so that you can borrow another.

Finding free content for your ereader isn't difficult. In fact, you'll find that there are plenty of sites out there offering free content of one type or another. These sites may offer a variety of different types of content, from video to audio to books. While you're exploring them, you'll want to avoid illegal pirate sites.

### **Recognizing illegal content**

When you're specifically looking for free content, it's imperative that you understand how illegal sites work and how to recognize them. Copyright infringement can turn into a very big deal for people who commit this crime, whether or not they know they're doing it at the time. Here are a few of the red flags to watch out for.

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## **Adobe Digital Editions**

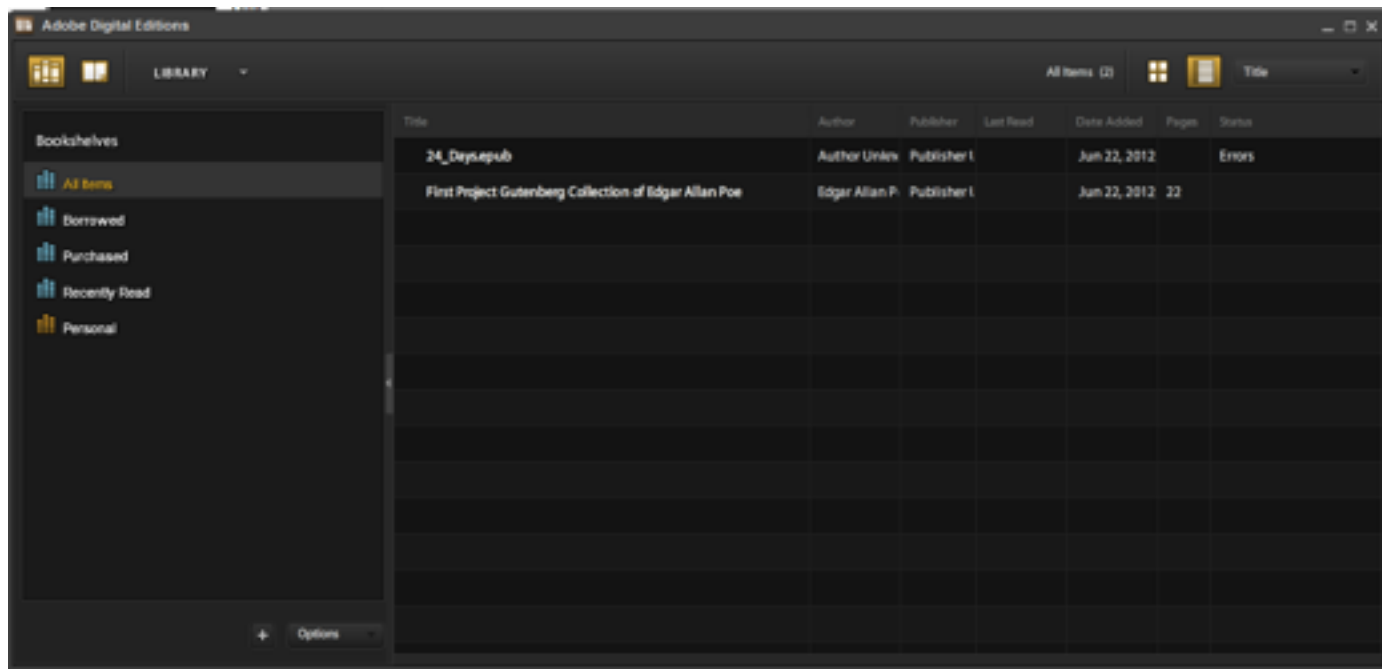


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After you install the program, it will automatically manage your purchases and your library loans for you. Notice the two buttons on the top left-hand side of the screen in Figure 119. These allow you to switch between **Library View** and **Reading View**. If you want to read your downloaded documents right on your computer, you can do so by clicking on the Reading View icon.





**Figure 2: The Adobe Digital Editions home-screen.**

When you purchase books from Amazon, you can just go to <http://Amazon.com/myk> to manage them. When you get books from a public library or from some other sources, however, you'll have to use Adobe Digital Editions to manage them.

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1. Click the arrow to the left of the title
2. Select “**Delete Item**”
3. The item will be removed from your **Library**

## **HOW TO READ A BOOK (and more), KINDLE STYLE**

When most people think of a “Kindle,” they think of an eReader. Before the Fire came along, that’s about all you could do with an eReader—read books. Back then, most eReaders came with a black-and-white display called E-ink. The older models—which are still quite popular—don’t emit any light. The Kindle Fire, however, functions more like a computer monitor—generating its own light of varying colors. The reading experience is quite different, but the Fire functions quite nicely as an eReader. And although there are zillions of Kindle eBooks from which to choose, they’re only the tip of the iceberg when it comes to reading on your Kindle

### **Using Kindle’s Personal Documents Service**

If you’re going to use your Kindle frequently as an eReader or productivity tool, taking advantage of Amazon’s Personal Documents Service is a must. Although Amazon’s Kindle books use a proprietary format—you need a Kindle (or a Kindle app) to read them—you can send virtually any kind of digital document to your Kindle using the Personal Documents Service.

You can use the Personal Documents Service along with your Send-to-Kindle email address. The email address is usually formatted as follows:

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3. Under the pop-up labeled **"Add a new approved e-mail address,"** enter the desired address and click **"Add Address."** The screen is pictured below:

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Enter an approved e-mail address.  
Tip: Enter a partial address, such as @yourcompany.com, to authorize multiple senders.

E-mail address:

Add Address

**Figure 8: Adding an email address to the Personal Document Service list at Amazon's 'Manage Your Kindle' page.**

Note that the regular email address registered with your Amazon account is already added to the approved list.

## **Briefly: Keeping a lid on @Kindle**

Be very selective about what email addresses you add to this “approved” list. The last thing you want on your Kindle is spam. If you have friends with a penchant for forwarding humorous emails, you might not want that on your Kindle either. Instead of giving out your Kindle address—or adding friends’ addresses to your “approved” list, just forward any important documents to your @Kindle address yourself.

Now, let’s actually send a document to see how it works. Most text or photo documents work fine. You can attach up to 25 documents to a single email, but their combined size must not exceed 50 megabytes.

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**TIP:** Don't use Personal Documents Service for commercial purposes, such as sending out a commercial newsletter. It's against Amazon's terms of service, and that's why it's called the **Personal** Documents Service.

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## **Using the ‘Send-to-Kindle’ application on your computer**

There’s an alternative to the Send-to-Kindle email method that’s even easier to use, especially if you forward many documents from your computer to your Kindle. Free software provided by Amazon, called the “Send-to-Kindle application,” is available for PCs and Macs. You can download it here:

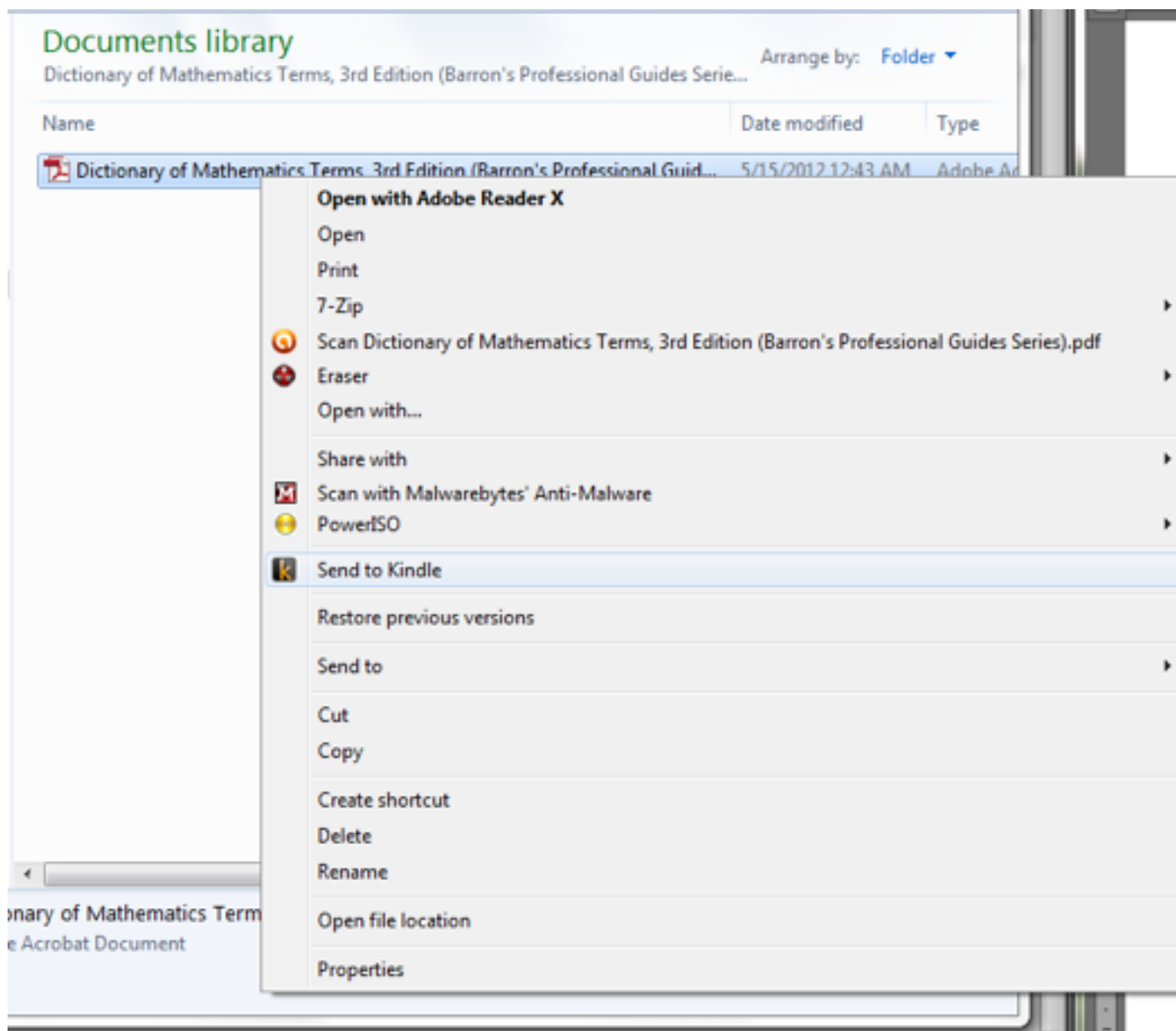
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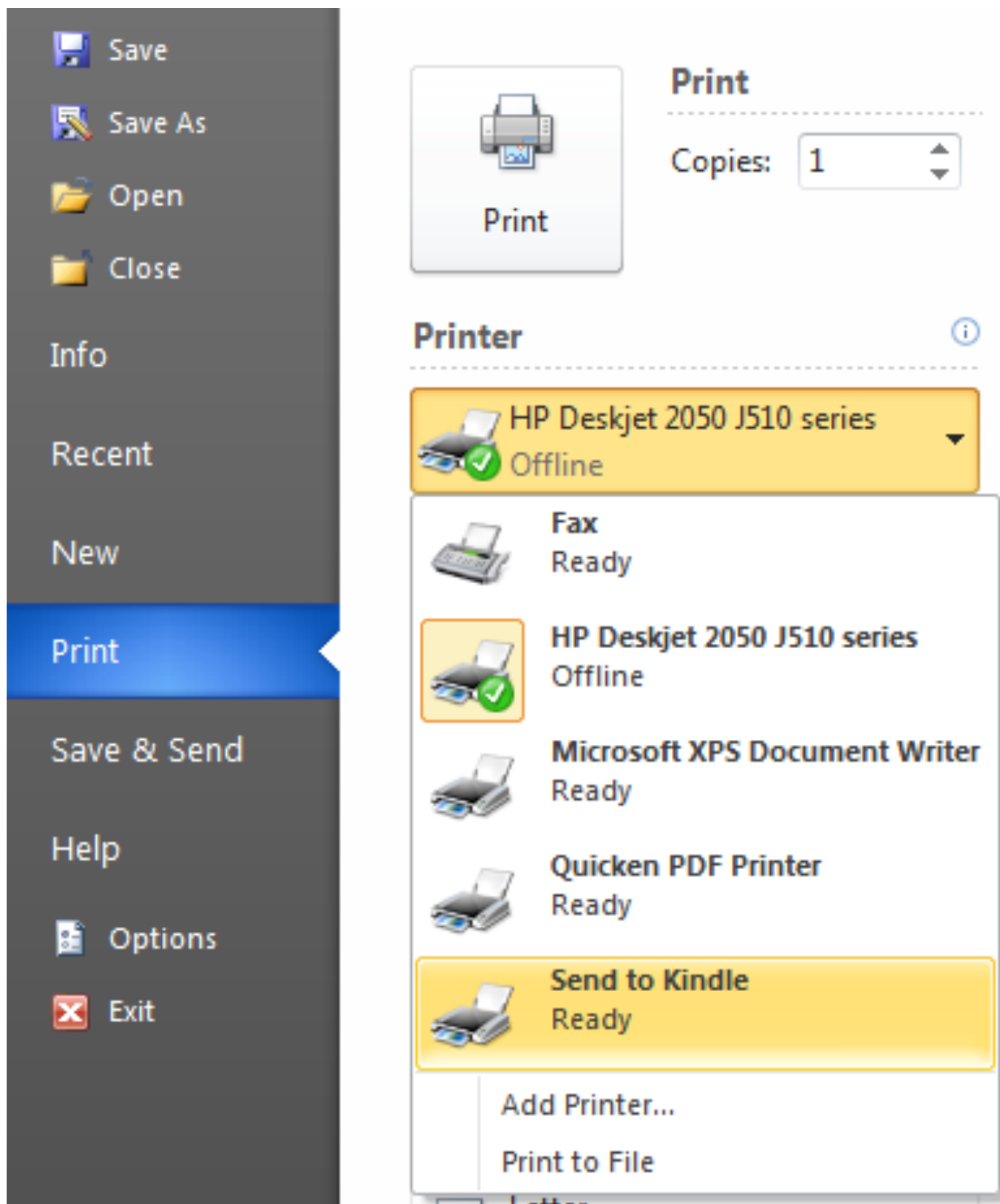
The Send-to-Kindle application is quite efficient and easy to use, and it automatically converts documents to the Kindle format. After installing it on your computer, it offers two methods of sending documents. First, using your mouse, right-click on your document as illustrated below. You’ll see a right-click menu with the option to “send to Kindle.”





**Figure 9: Sending a document to Kindle using the Send-to-Kindle app using Windows.**

Your second option for sending documents is to use the regular “print” command while viewing your document. But instead of selecting your printer from the menu, you’ll select “Send to Kindle.”



**Figure 10: The option to ‘Send to Kindle’ appears as a printing option after installation of the Send-to-Kindle’ app.**

**Send to Kindle** will be added as a printer option in office programs and other software that allows printing.

## **Using the Books ‘Library’**

Yet another cool feature of the Kindle is the potential for borrowing and lending Kindle eBooks. Specifically, you can:

- Borrow books from your local library, when available, or;
- Lend books to friends and colleagues from your Kindle.

Remember the days when you’d loan your printed books to friends, and (depending on the friend) rarely see the book again? Well, a great feature of lending books via your Kindle is that all your books will actually be returned—there’s no way around it. Loans are capped at 14 days by Amazon’s system.

Not all Kindle books are eligible for lending—the publisher has to agree to the program. When you’re shopping for Kindle books nowadays, you’ll see a notation—whether lending is “enabled” or not—in the “Product Details” of the book’s listing on Amazon.

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**TIP:** Remember, you can loan Kindle books to virtually anyone with an email address, regardless of whether they have a Kindle device. Kindle reading apps are available free for practically every type of computer, smartphone, and other digital gadgets.

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Here's the procedure for lending a Kindle book:

1. Visit the “Manage Your Kindle” page, [Amazon.com/myk](https://www.amazon.com/myk).
2. Click on the “**Actions**” button on the right-hand side of the title you wish to lend. In the pop-up menu, select “Loan this title.”



**Figure 10: Select “Loan this title” to Get to the Next Step.**

Next you'll arrive at this screen:

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### Your lending details

\* required field

Recipient E-mail address: \*

Recipient Name:

From: \*

Personal Message:

300 characters left

Send now

**Figure 11: Lending Details.**

Simply complete the form, and your friend will receive the book. It will be returned to your library automatically in 14 days or, if the borrower finishes the book before then, it can be returned early. Remember, while your book is being borrowed, you won't have access to it on your Kindle.

Unfortunately, you may loan a Kindle book only once—that is Amazon's current policy. But I would not be surprised if the lending program, which is relatively new, is amended to be more lenient in the future.

**Borrowing Kindle books from a library.** You can also use your Kindle to borrow eBooks from public libraries, as long as the facility offers a digital lending

service—and a great many do so nowadays. If you're unsure whether your local library offers Kindle books, visit <http://Search.Overdrive.com>. OverDrive is the name of the service libraries use to administer Kindle lending.

Compared to the old days, borrowing books from the library is mighty convenient. For one thing, with your Kindle, you don't have to travel to the library to find and borrow a book. Also, you don't need to remember to return it. With Kindle editions, the fines for overdue books are a distant memory.

Here's how to borrow a Kindle book from a library:

1. Visit your library's website.
2. Search for the Kindle book you want. EBooks are usually listed in a separate section than printed books.
3. If the book is available, check it out—or place a hold on the title.
4. You may have to enter your library card number.
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6. If available, you'll be given an option to **Get for Kindle**. Select that option.

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**Figure 12: Selecting ‘Get for Kindle’ from a library website.**

7.You’ll be taken to the **Amazon Public Library Loan** page

8.Click on the “**Deliver to**” menu and select “**Get library book**”

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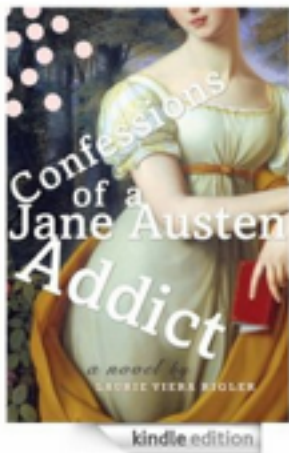
**TIP:** Due to the anti-copying restrictions used by some publishers, not all Kindle books available through libraries



can be transferred wirelessly—sometimes a physical connection with a USB cord is required. But you can obtain software for transferring the books via USB from OverDrive at <http://www.overdrive.com/software/omc/>.

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## Get Your Digital Library Loan



### Confessions of a Jane Austen Addict [Kindle Edition] Laurie Viera Risler (Author)

- Due to publisher restrictions, this book cannot be delivered wirelessly and must be downloaded and transferred via USB. [Learn more](#)
- Kindle automatically backs up all of your notes and highlights. If you choose to purchase the book at a later date from the Kindle Store or check it out again, all your notes and highlights will be preserved.

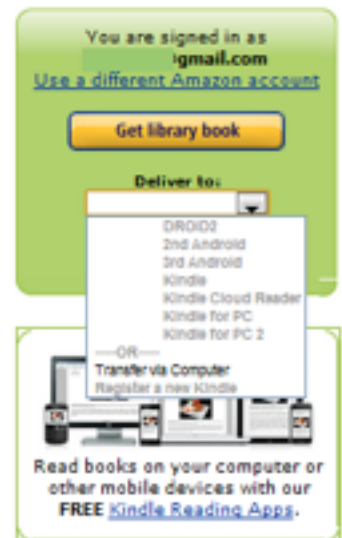
**Expiration Date:** June 29, 2012

You may end your Library Loan early by visiting [Manage Your Kindle](#) and choosing "Return This Book" or return the book now by clicking below.

[Return Book](#)

★★★★☆ (124 customer reviews)

- Length: 308 pages (Contains Real Page Numbers)
- Available only on these devices
- Don't have a Kindle? [Get your Kindle here.](#)



**Figure13: Note that transferring this title requires a USB cable.**

If you finish the book before the expiration date, you may return it early via the **Manage Your Kindle** page.

Like other digital items, Kindle books—including those you borrow—can be added to your “Favorites” by tapping and holding on their icon. This adds a shortcut to the book



at the bottom of your Kindle's home-screen , allowing quick access.

## **Navigating books and documents**

Ah, the virtues of the eBook—they're convenient, easy on the environment, and a lot of fun. But that's only the beginning. EBooks enable you to combine computing horsepower with your own reading skills, opening vast new horizons for learning and literature appreciation. Let's explore some of the possibilities.

## **Searching within books**

Finding a needle in a haystack is as easy as falling off a log—if you're using your Kindle. The Search button, represented by the magnifying-glass icon on the right side of the menu shown in below allows you to search for words or phrases. Here's how to perform a search:

1. Tap the center of the screen to call up the menu.
2. Tap the **Magnifying Glass**.
3. Use the keyboard to enter your term(s) in the search field on the top of the screen.
4. Tap "**Go**" on the keyboard or the **Magnifying Glass** next to the search field.

Remember that the search function will find every single instance of the term or phrase you specify. If you search for a common word like “the,” for instance, you’ll get bogged down with a ton of references.

The search function is quite handy when you’re using reference books, and it’s smart too. For example, if you were searching for the word “antidisestablishmentarianism,” you needn’t type the whole thing. Just type “antidisest,” and your target will show up.

To navigate from the search results to the text location where the word actually occurs, just tap the appropriate display in the search results.

# APPS FOR KINDLE FIRE

With the potential to download apps created by thousands of Android developers, your Kindle Fire's horizons are virtually unlimited. We've explored the App library previously, and now it's time to actually look at some of the apps that take the Kindle Fire to another level beyond its out-of-the-box functionality.

Although you can obtain apps from many sources, the most convenient and safe option is dealing directly with Amazon's own App Store. You can access from your device, or from your computer at [www.amazon.com/b?node=2350149011](http://www.amazon.com/b?node=2350149011).

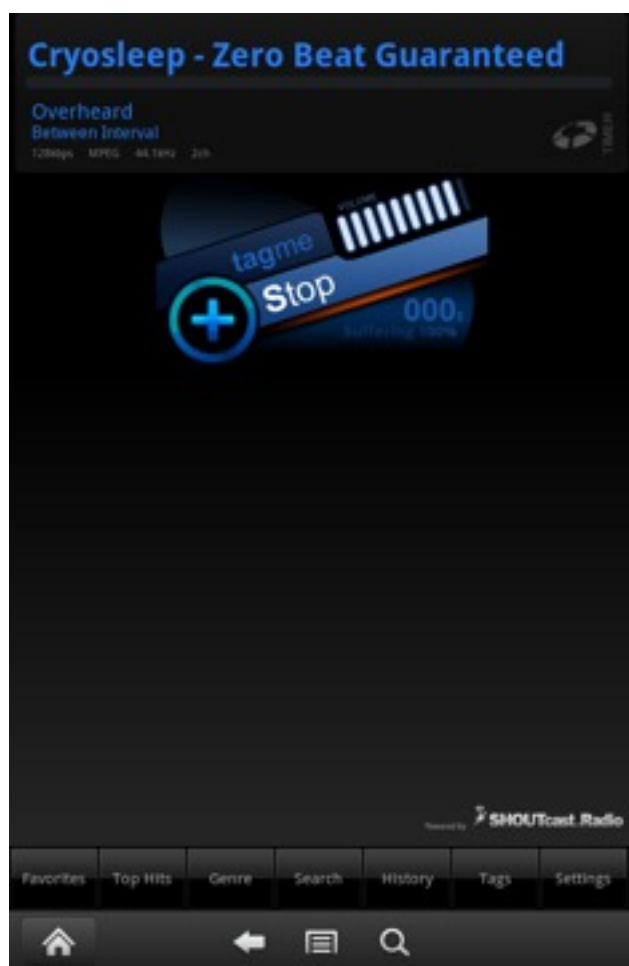
**TIP:** Never download an app from an unknown source. Untrusted apps can cause technical difficulty and pose a security risk.

## Apps for Fun

Plenty of great apps can be loaded onto your Kindle Fire that provide different types of entertainment and to customize the look and feel of your device.

## XiiaLive Lite

No matter how much great music you have stored on your device or available in the Cloud, occasionally you'd rather hear something fresh and new. Streaming Internet music provides relief. For example, Internet radio stations broadcast online, offering an incredible variety of music in every genre. If you want someone else do the work of selecting the tunes, streaming radio is a great option and that brings us to our first app: XiiaLive Lite. The Lite version is free; a paid upgrade offers more features and no advertising.



**Figure18: The XiiaLive Lite Interface.**

XiiaLive Lite allows you to play Internet streams in most formats, and you can open them directly from your browser when you find the web page they're hosted on.

To find and download this app, search the App Store for "XiiaLive."

**TIP:** Check the webpages of your local broadcast radio stations to see if they have a stream also.

## **Go Launcher EX**

The Kindle Fire interface is, to put it bluntly, a bit plain. But you can customize the look to suit exactly how you use it. Enter Go Launcher EX.

You can't download Go Launcher EX from the Amazon App Store because Amazon hasn't approved the app. Go Launcher allows you to customize your interface however you want and, because of that, you can set up your Kindle to be an even better productivity and entertainment tool. All of your Amazon libraries and other functions will still be there; but they appear as an application rather than as the default layout for your screen. Even though you might prefer to use your Fire this way, Amazon would prefer that

you're constantly bombarded with offers to purchase new content.

Go Launcher's homepage is <http://golauncher.goforandroid.com/>.

To illustrate how radically you can change Kindle Fire's interface, see the illustration below. The Go Launcher EX app has a huge number of themes that you can apply. You can see that I've added weather, XiiaLive and the Amazon default desktop—shown as “**Launcher**”—to my desktop for easy access.



**Figure18: Kindle Fire interface altered with Go Launcher EX.**

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**TIP:** Altering the Kindle Fire interface may make things a bit confusing for you at first. It's best to master all of the default settings from the Amazon interface and then to expand your options as far as looks go, if you prefer.

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The interface on Go Launcher EX is designed for any Android device, so it includes icons related to cellular phones, which you can remove.

## **Angry Birds**

You've surely heard the name. Angry Birds is a game that allows you to enjoy some classic, addicting arcade-style gaming on your Kindle Fire. It's free, and you can download it instantly from the Amazon App Store. Kids of all ages enjoy this one, and it can make long road trips more tolerable.

**TIP:** Many apps, Angry Birds included, have a free version that contains advertising, and a paid version without ads. If you really love the free version, it's hard to resist buying the paid version for a few dollars more. But this free/paid system enables you to sample almost everything without risking a dime.

## **Utilities**

Some of the utilities available for the Kindle Fire keep you safe and make it easier to get the most out of it. Here are a few to consider.



## **Kaspersky Tablet Security**

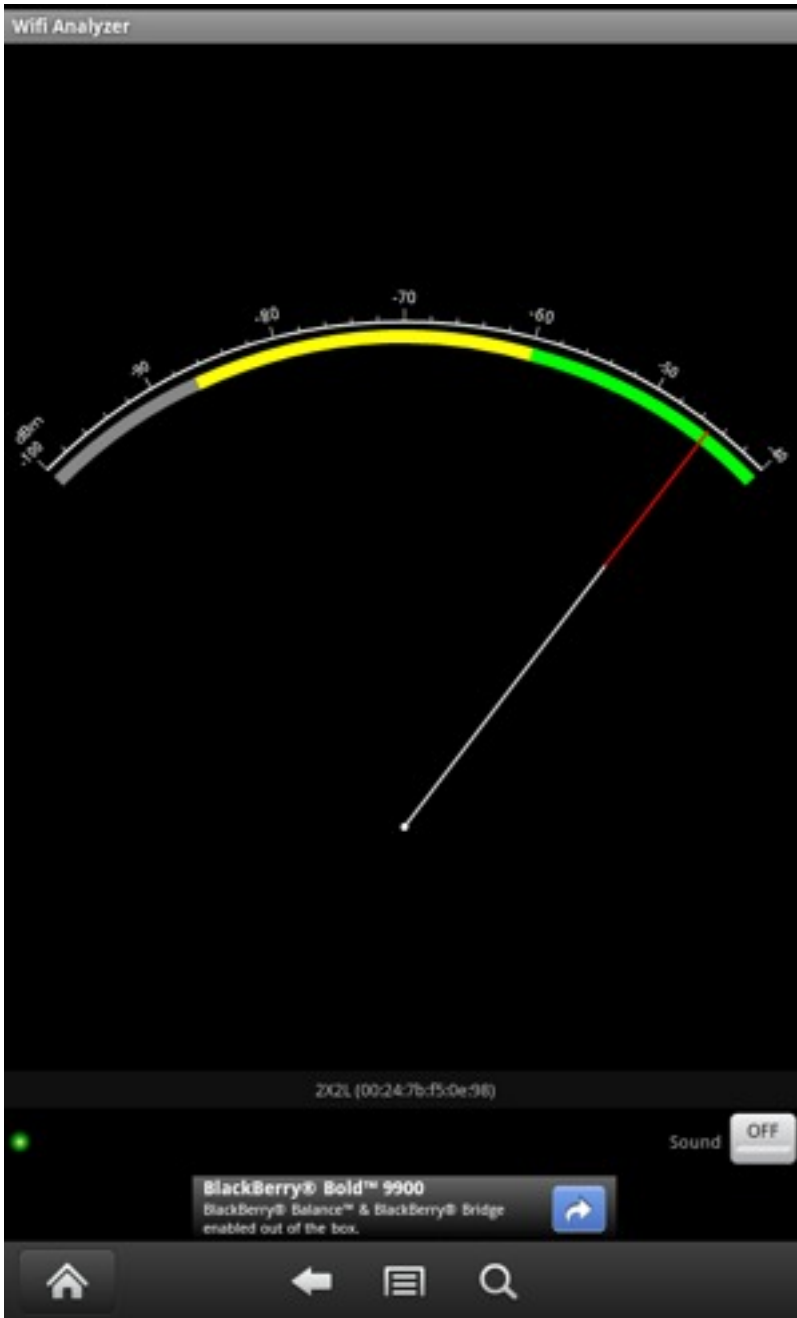
Not too many years ago, people using the Macintosh operating system enjoyed bragging that they were free of viruses and malware. Nowadays, this type of scourge is affecting Mac users, too, and Android isn't immune either.

Kaspersky has consistently gotten good reviews for its antivirus products for mobile devices. You'll have to download it from their website, however.

**TIP:** There are free anti-virus applications on the Amazon App Store and on other sites, so it pays to shop around.

## **Wi-Fi Analyzer Free**

The Kindle Fire needs a Wi-Fi to connect to the Internet and, sometimes, you need a bit more information than the Settings panel gives you. This is where Wi-Fi Analyzer Free really shines. It gives you a great deal of information on the wireless networks around you, including a meter that shows you their strength. This makes it a lot easier to find the sweet spots in some buildings where the Wi-Fi might work better than in others. It also allows you to see how many networks are in your area and whether or not yours may be on a channel that is too crowded.



**Figure19: The Wi-Fi Analyzer Free’s nifty analog meter interface.**

**imo**

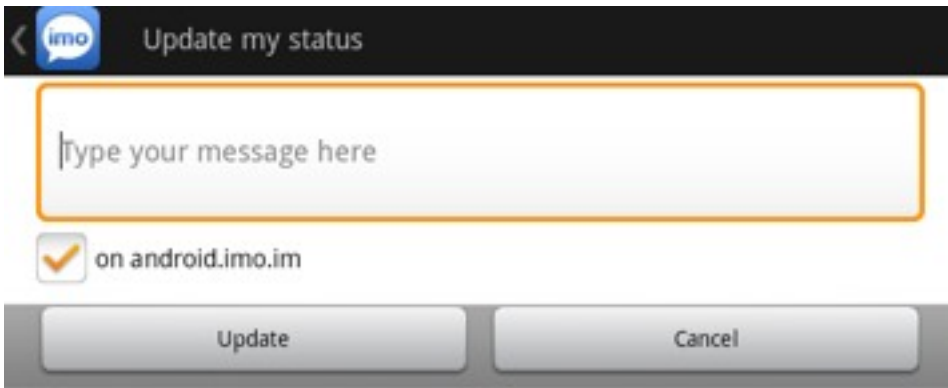
The **imo** app allows you to connect to multiple types of instant-messaging services. You won’t have voice chat on

it, but you can certainly text chat all you want, making it a great choice for anyone who uses these services for work or pleasure.

The imo app is compatible with:

- AIM
- Facebook Chat
- Google Talk
- ICQ
- Jabber
- MSN
- MySpace Chat
- Skype
- Yahoo

Sometimes, the best thing about a Kindle Fire is that it lets you get away from your desktop computer and still enjoy everything the Internet has to offer. With imo, you can be sure that you don't miss any important messages when you get away from your desk for a while!



**Figure20: Let your friends know you're on your Kindle Fire!**

# Productivity

## QuickOffice

QuickOffice allows you to open and edit documents in the most popular office formats, including Microsoft. It's a required equipment if you plan on using your Kindle Fire as a productivity tool. Fortunately, it's right in your **App** library by default.

To use QuickOffice, tap its icon and accept the license agreement. If you want the pro version of this software, you can purchase it from the Amazon App Store. It's one of the handiest utilities to have on your Kindle Fire.



**Figure21: The QuickOffice welcome screen.**

## **Evernote**

Evernote is an application that allows you to write notes, take picture notes, record audio notes, clip web pages, and much more. If you do research in any capacity—for fun or business—it's a must. You can share your notes between your devices, so whatever you clip on your PC or Mac will be available on your Kindle Fire.



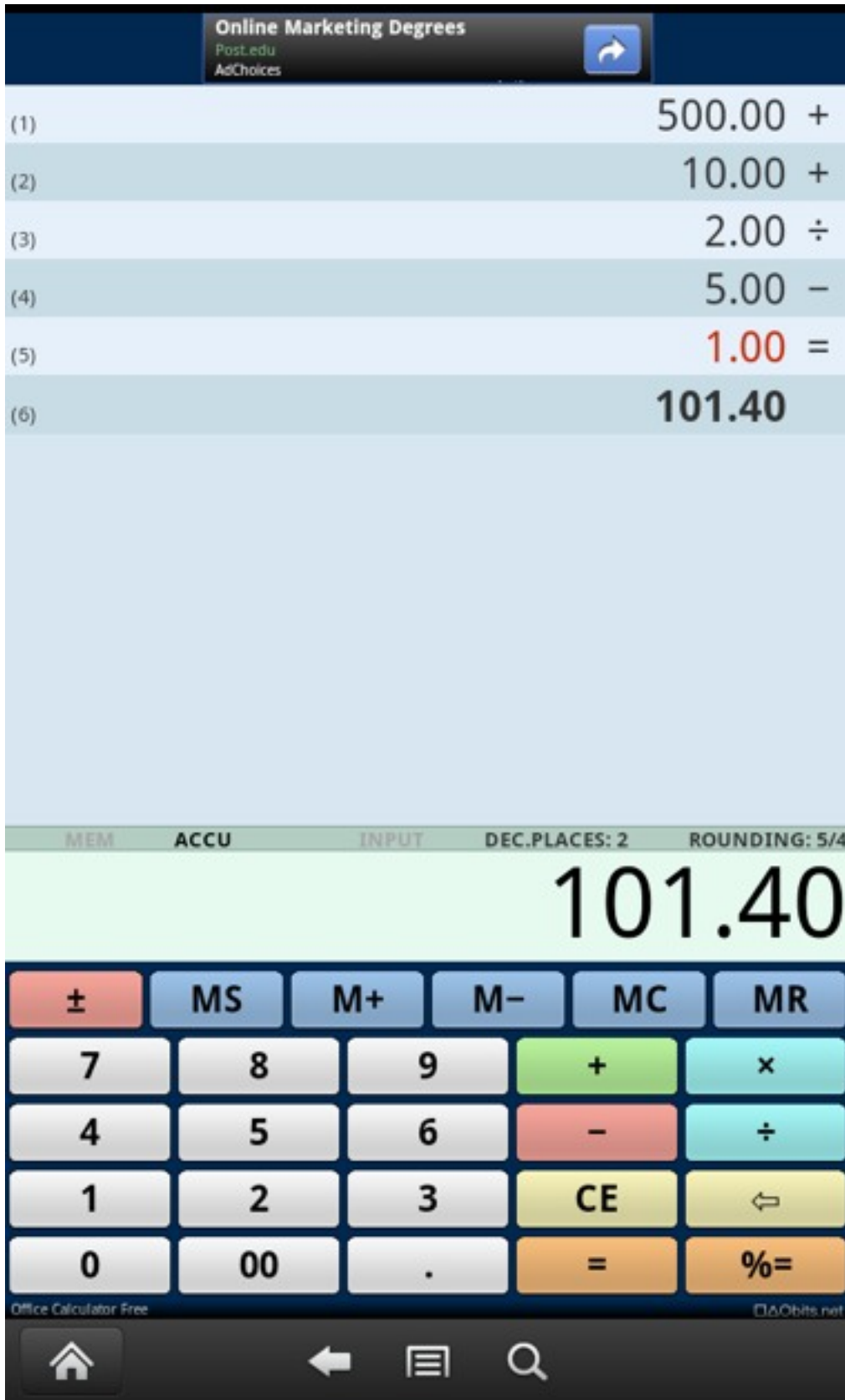
**Figure22: The Evernote icon**

## **Office Calculator Free**

The Office Calculator Free program is a great choice for anyone who wants more advanced capabilities out of their calculator but doesn't venture into trigonometry or other advanced forms of math. As the name says, if you need an office calculator, this one might be for you. It even keeps a tape of your calculations! The free version has small

advertisements at the top of the screen, pictured in Figure 100. The paid version does not.





**Figure 23: The Office Calculator Free interface.**

## Managing apps

Apps consume storage space on your device. So if you install an app and you don't like it, remember to uninstall it to free up that space. You don't want your Kindle stuffed with apps you don't want.

To check your App storage quickly:

1. Click on the **Gear Icon**
2. Tap **Device**
3. Look for “**Application Storage**”.

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**TIP:** The ratings on apps in the Amazon App Store are a good indication of their quality. Be sure to scan the reviews before investing time or money with an app.

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## Free your Kindle

If you want to install apps from locations other than the Amazon App Store, you'll have to select the appropriate option on your Kindle:

1. Tap your **Gear Icon**
2. Tap “**More**”
3. Tap “**Device**”

#### 4. Set “**Allow Installation of Applications From Unknown Sources**” to “**On**”

This allows you to install applications from any source that you wish. Remember, however, that applications from sources other than Amazon might not be tested or safe.

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**TIP:** The Google Play Store is the largest marketplace for Android apps. Your Kindle Fire works on the Android operating system but installing apps from Google Play is about as convenient as trying to get water to run uphill. There are other sites you can explore that make it easier. They include:

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- Only Android, [www.onlyandroid.mobihand.com/](http://www.onlyandroid.mobihand.com/)
- GetJar, [www.getjar.com/](http://www.getjar.com/).
- SlideMe, [www.slideme.org/](http://www.slideme.org/).

## FEED YOUR READER WITH WEB CONTENT

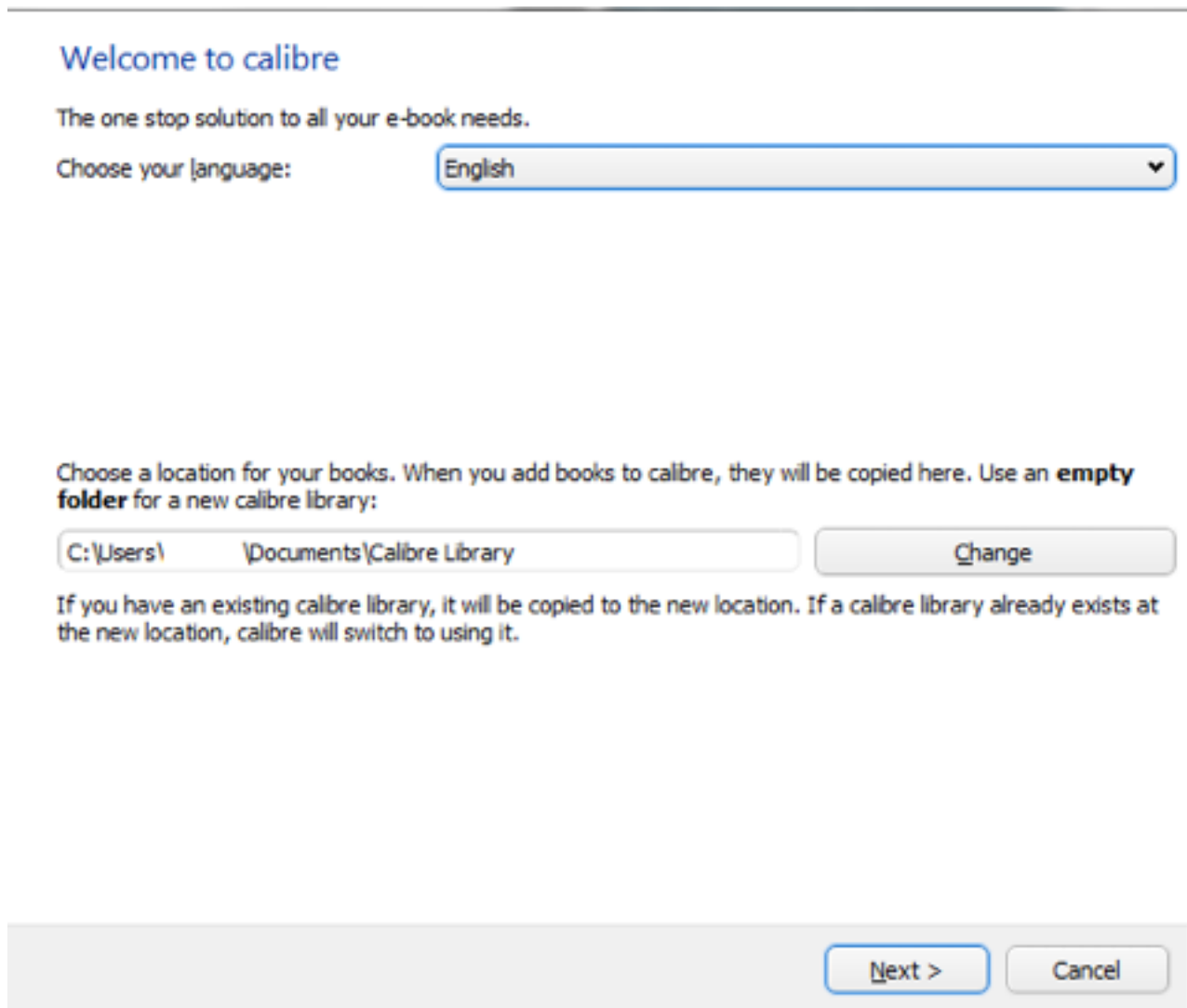
### Using Calibre

Let's jump right in and download the Calibre application right now. I have been using the program, along with thousands of others, for the past three years. The best things in life are free, and believe me, Calibre is one of them.

- Go to <http://calibre-ebook.com/> and select “Download Calibre”
- Open the downloaded program to install the package once it's completed

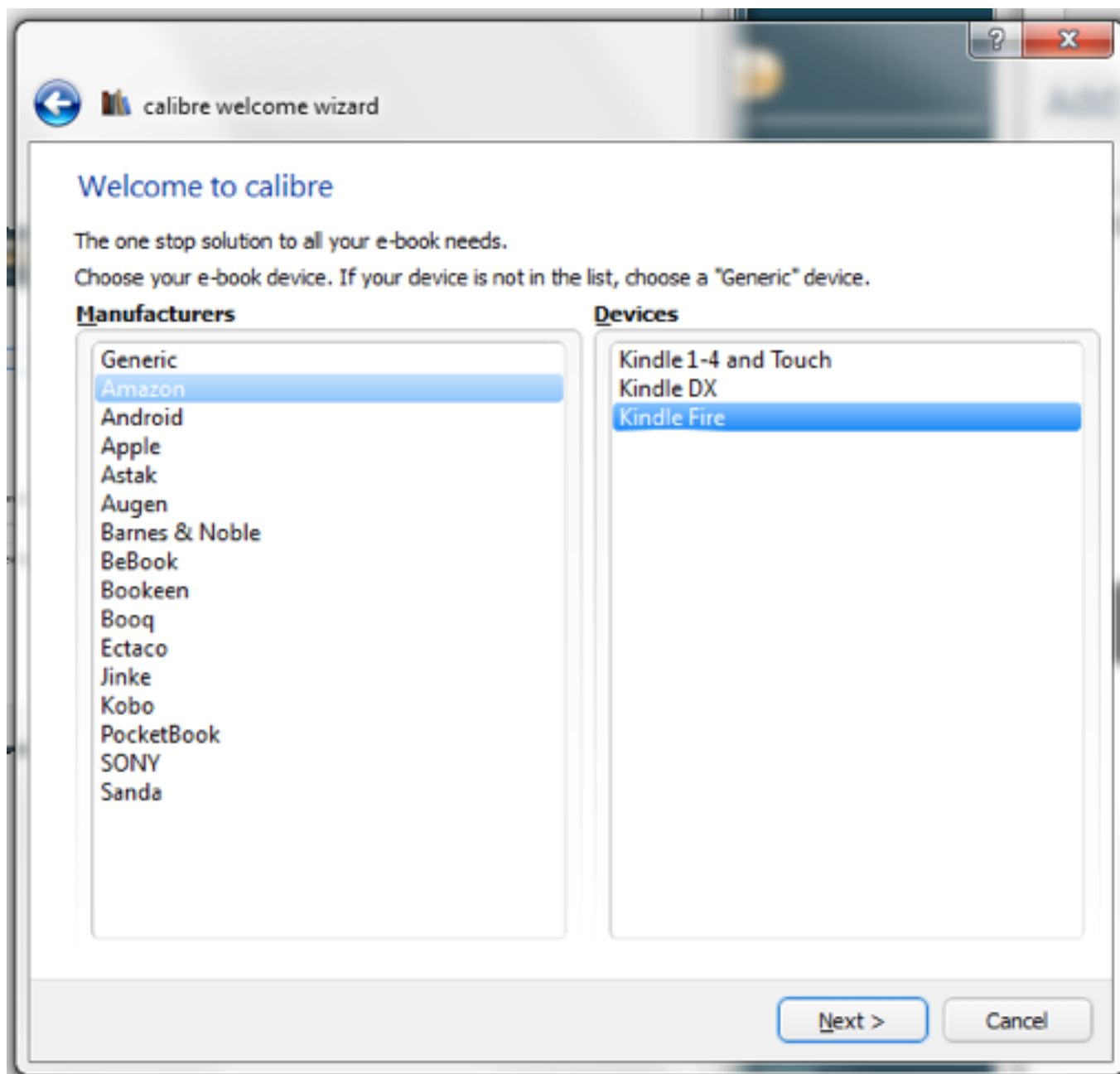
On your first run, you'll get the **Welcome Wizard**. This is designed to help you set up your libraries and to import your books, as well as to help you select the correct device!

The first screen, pictured below, will set your **Calibre Library** directory. The default choice is a good one.



**Figure 23: The Calibre Welcome Wizard screen 1**

On the next screen, you'll have to choose your device. Obviously, choose Kindle Fire!



**Figure 25: Select Amazon, Kindle Fire from the list.**

This sets the program up so that it knows to look for your Kindle when you click the **Send to Device** icon.

When you have the program installed, launch it, and you'll see the screen shown below. If you can't see all the icons across the top of the interface, simply expand the window until they fit.

Study the interface for a moment. This program is capable of doing many things; even offering you a way to shop for content across a number of different stores. What we'll concern ourselves with first, however, is opening up new sources of literature by using the features built into this program that allow you to convert books from other formats into ones that your Amazon Kindle can read.

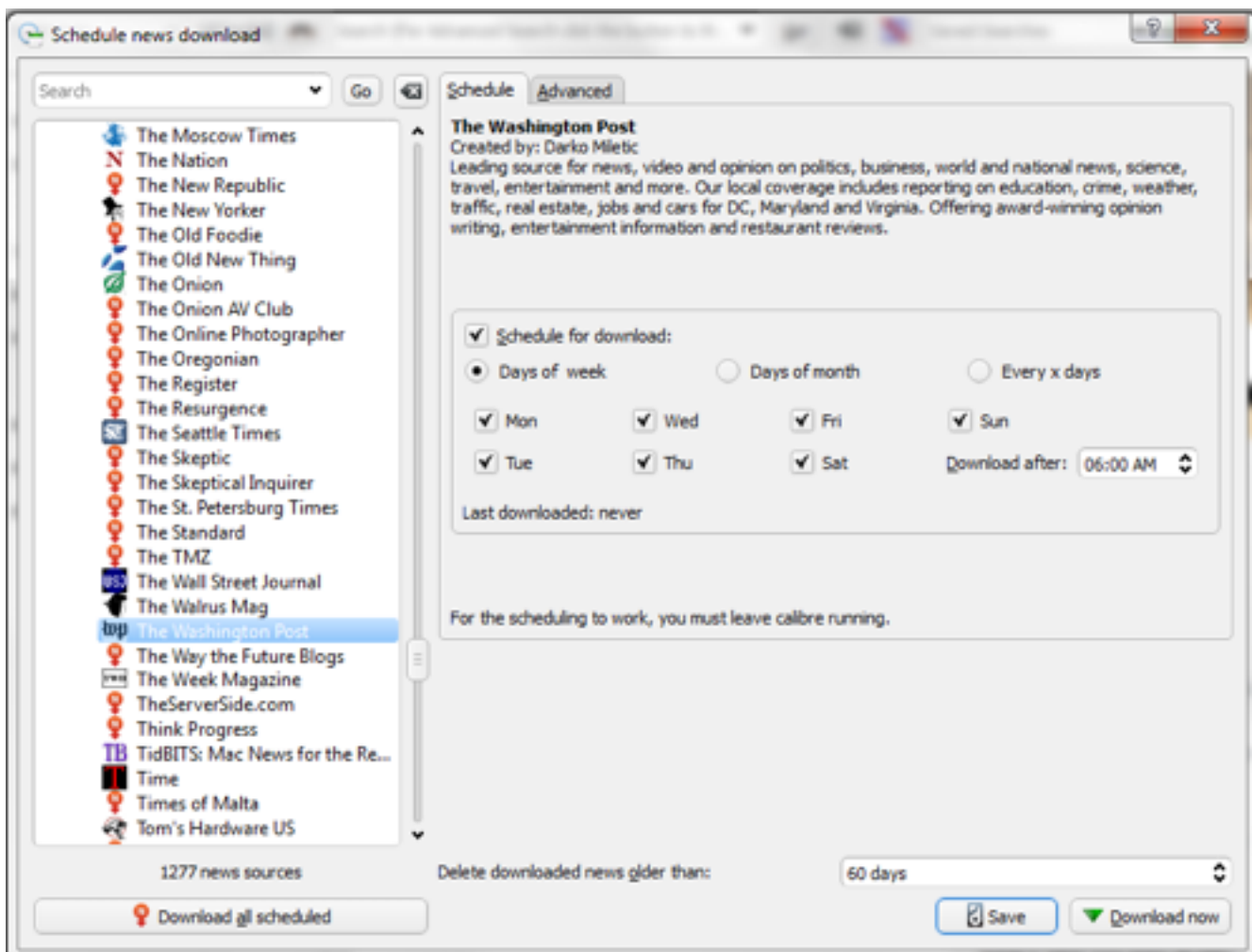
### **All the news you can eat, and Calibre picks up the check**

OK, I'll admit it. I'm a book nut. But I have an even bigger problem. I'm addicted to newspapers, too. I was a "news junkie" before anyone ever heard of such a thing. Twenty-five years ago, I paid about \$75 a month to have three different newspapers dropped at my doorstep every morning—my local paper, The Wall Street Journal, and the New York Times. Now, since I discovered Calibre, I've been reading six newspapers a day—plus bunch of blogs and magazines like Newsweek and Time—and it doesn't cost me one red cent. The New York Times. The Washington Post. The New York Post. And, if I still have time, I can read The Onion and a couple others—just to get my humor fix. Your local newspaper is probably available, too. Calibre downloads the content they post on their websites, and sends it, nicely formatted, to your Kindle. The only cost is

the few minutes you'll spend setting it up once, and then it works every day. Here how to get started:

1. Click on “**Fetch News**” in the Menu.
2. Select your language.
3. Select a news source.

In the illustration below, you can see that I've selected The Washington Post.



**Figure 28: Selecting the Washington Post.**



Note that I've opted to have it download automatically every day of the week after 6am. If you were the ultimate news junkie, you could set it to download the Associated Press news wire every 10 minutes. Calibre has hundreds of different news sources available in a huge number of languages, you just click them and enjoy—free.

Of course, you have to leave Calibre running so it automatically downloads your news sources. If you have several news sites on your list, it will take a while. Personally, I leave my computer on 24/7, and Calibre is finding news for me constantly, and feeding my Kindle. In the old days, I used to finish my three newspapers and still want more. Now, with Calibre, I don't have a prayer of skimming everything I'm tempted to read every day.

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**TIP:** In this section, we're talking about downloading content for free. It sounds too good to be true, but it's totally above board. We're not stealing, we're just using the stuff that publishers are posting to their websites. Calibre simply does the work of formatting it for the Kindle and email it to us.

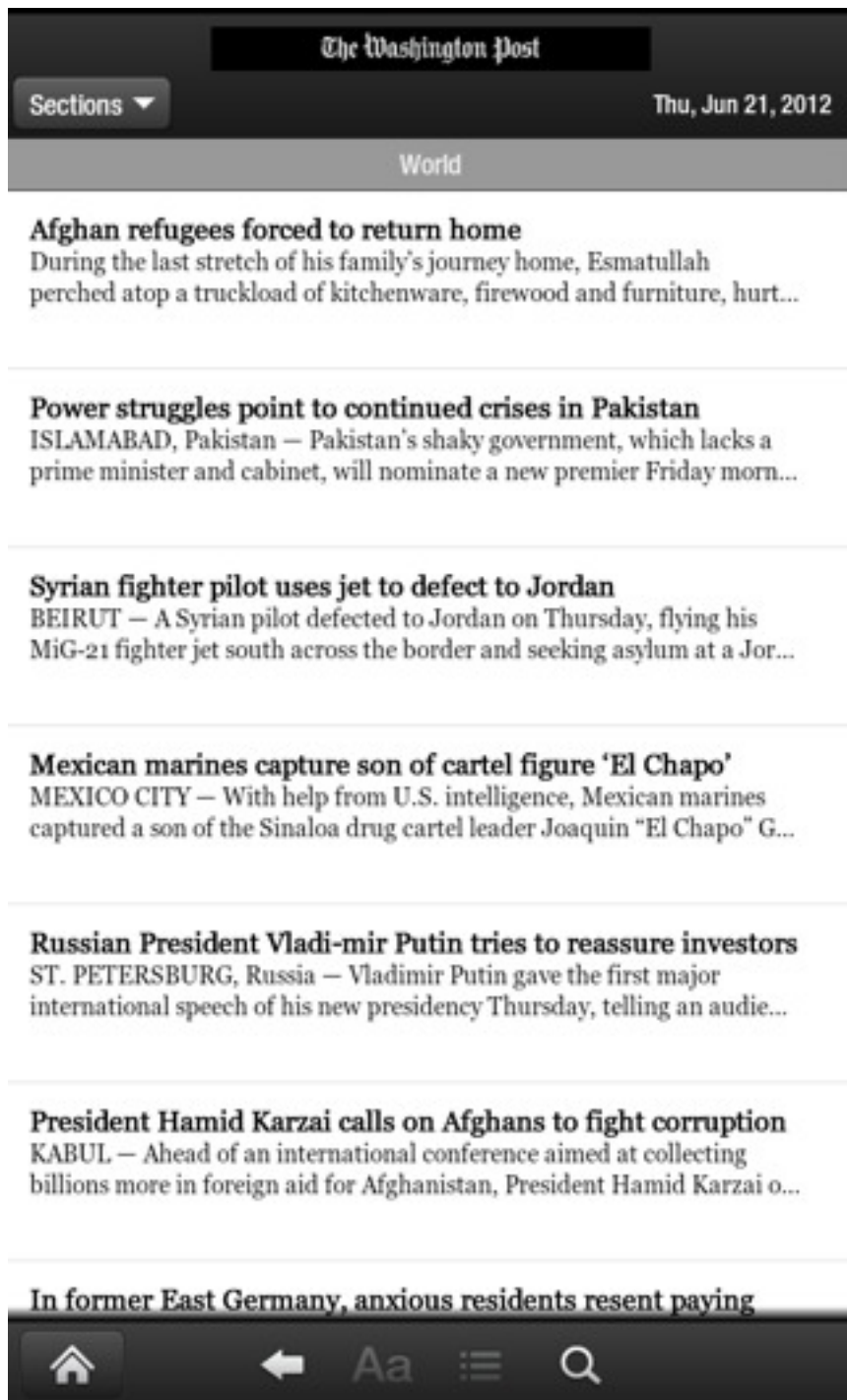
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After the news site has converted, you'll be able to transfer it to your Kindle using the same interface that you use to transfer books. One of the best things about the Calibre program is that it's smart in meaningful ways. The program, for instance, will transfer newspapers to your Newsstand.



**Figure 29: The Newsstand after transferring the converted news site.**

Opening up the converted newspaper will give you a listing of all the articles it contains, separated by sections.



**Figure 30: The converted newspaper's Table of Contents.**

Tap any article to open it up and you'll be presented with the full text of the articles, and perhaps the photos, depending on the publication. Even better, the article

opens up in the same comfortable format as the **Reading View** option in your browser for websites, which you can see in the illustration below.

So, is there any real difference between reading a newspaper website in reading view in your browser and reading it converted from Calibre? The main difference is that the newspaper's table of contents is presented in a way that is much more workable with a touch-screen device. The same applies to magazines that are converted in this way.

## Afghan refugees forced to return home

By [Kevin Sieff](#),

Kabul — During the last stretch of his family's journey home, Esmatullah perched atop a truckload of kitchenware, firewood and furniture, hurtling toward Kabul while the evidence of three decades in exile shifted beneath him.

On either side of the truck, the bazaars grew denser. The buildings became taller and more fortified. American convoys snaked through traffic, heading downtown.

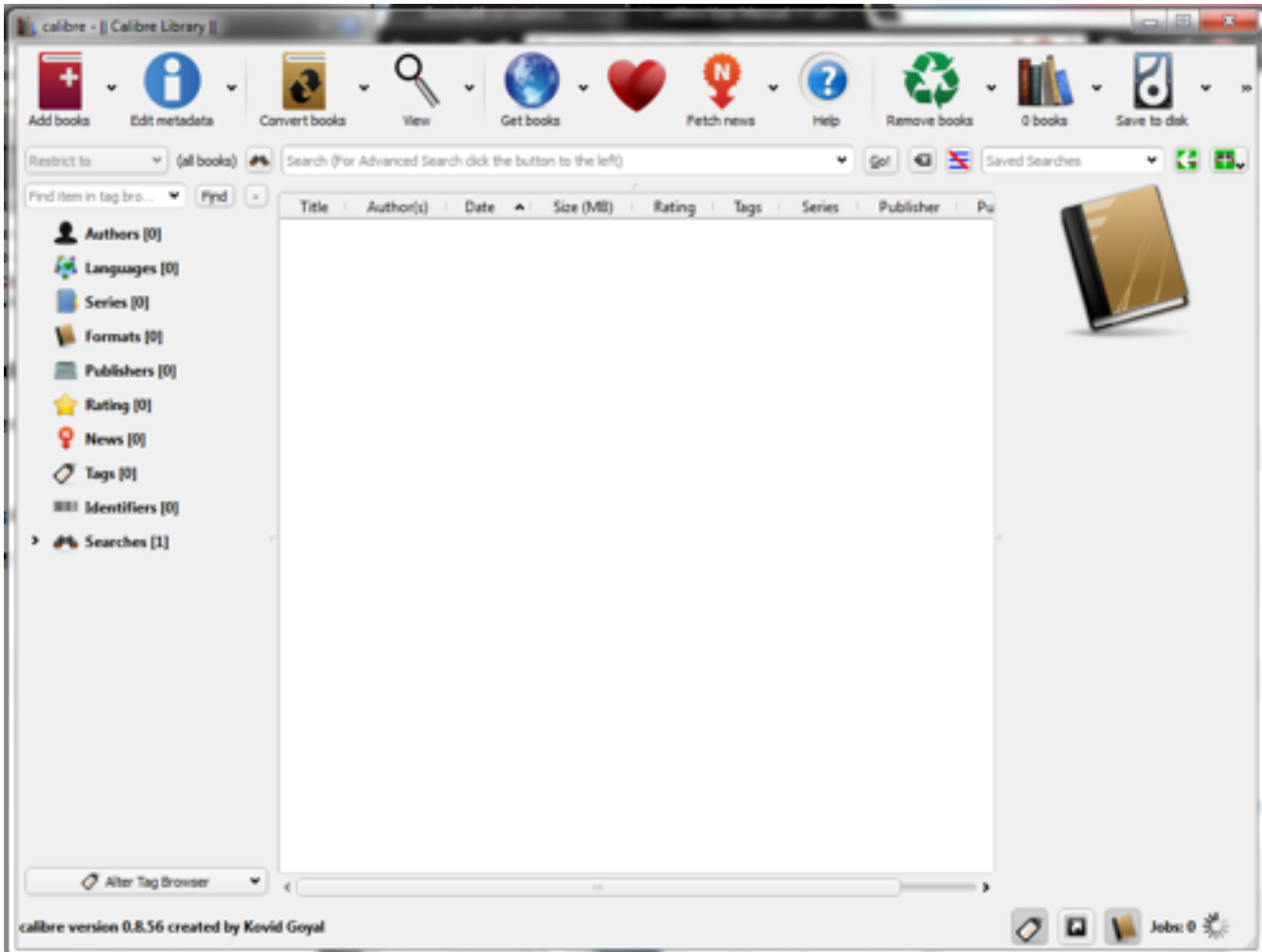
Nearly two days after leaving their home in Pakistan, Esmatullah and his 22 relatives had made it to Afghanistan's capital, after 30 years as refugees. They looked out at their country. They tried not to panic.

The uncertainty shrouding Afghanistan's future has prompted thousands of Afghans to [seek an escape route](#) — foreign visa applications, asylum pleas, long journeys across the border. But every day, families swim against that current, returning to Afghanistan after years

**Figure 31: The article presentation in a converted newspaper.**

## eBooks, Calibre, and the Kindle

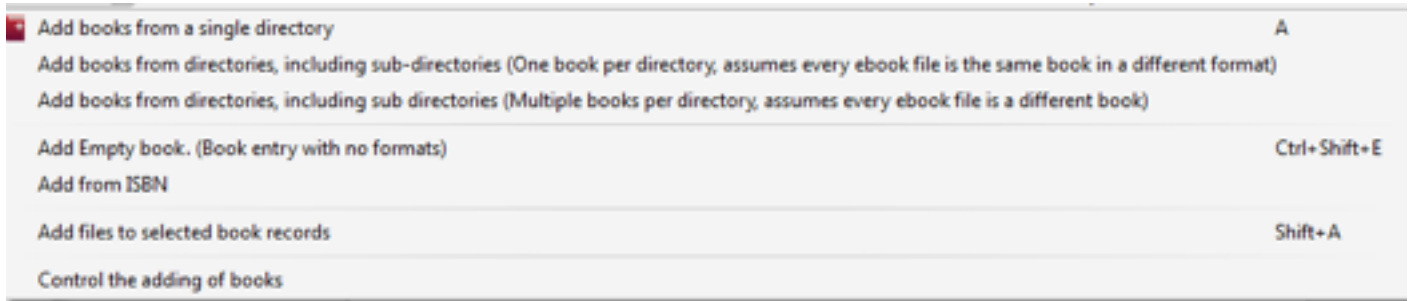
Believe it or not, there's more to the story. You can manage eBooks—downloaded from Amazon and elsewhere—using Calibre.



**Figure 32: Calibre's main screen**

In the illustration, I haven't added my eBooks to the collection yet, so the middle of the screen is blank. There are many ways you can add books to your library. By default, they're sent to the **Calibre Library** folder.

The **Add Books** icon appears at the upper left. Select it, and you'll see the options shown below.



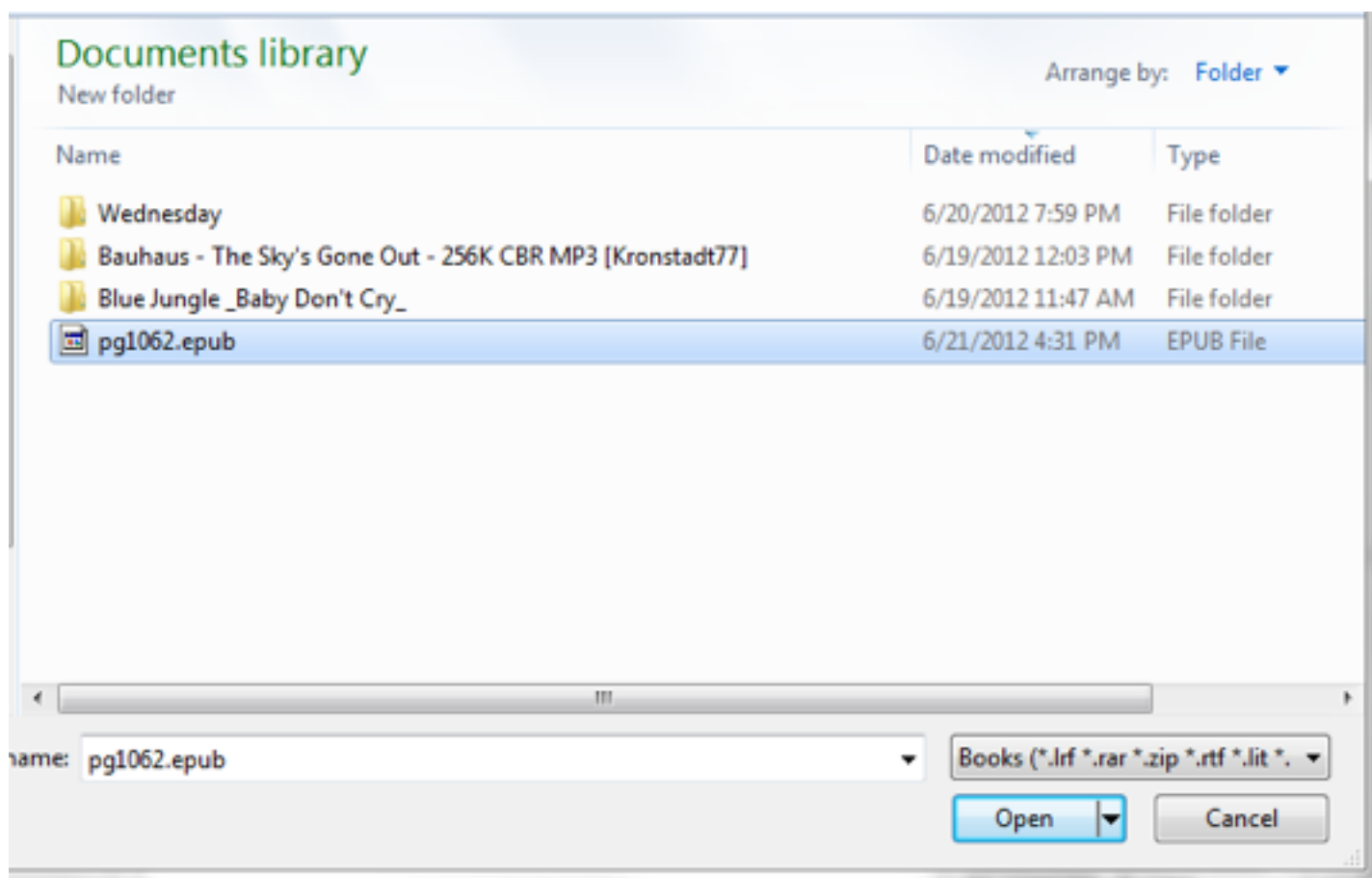
**Figure 33: The Add Books dialog**

There are quite a few options here, but we'll concentrate adding one book to the library in a format that Kindle just doesn't like.

In this case, I'm going to add a book that's stored in the EPUB format—a popular one on many sites—but that I want to read on my Amazon Kindle in the native Kindle AZW or MOBI format.

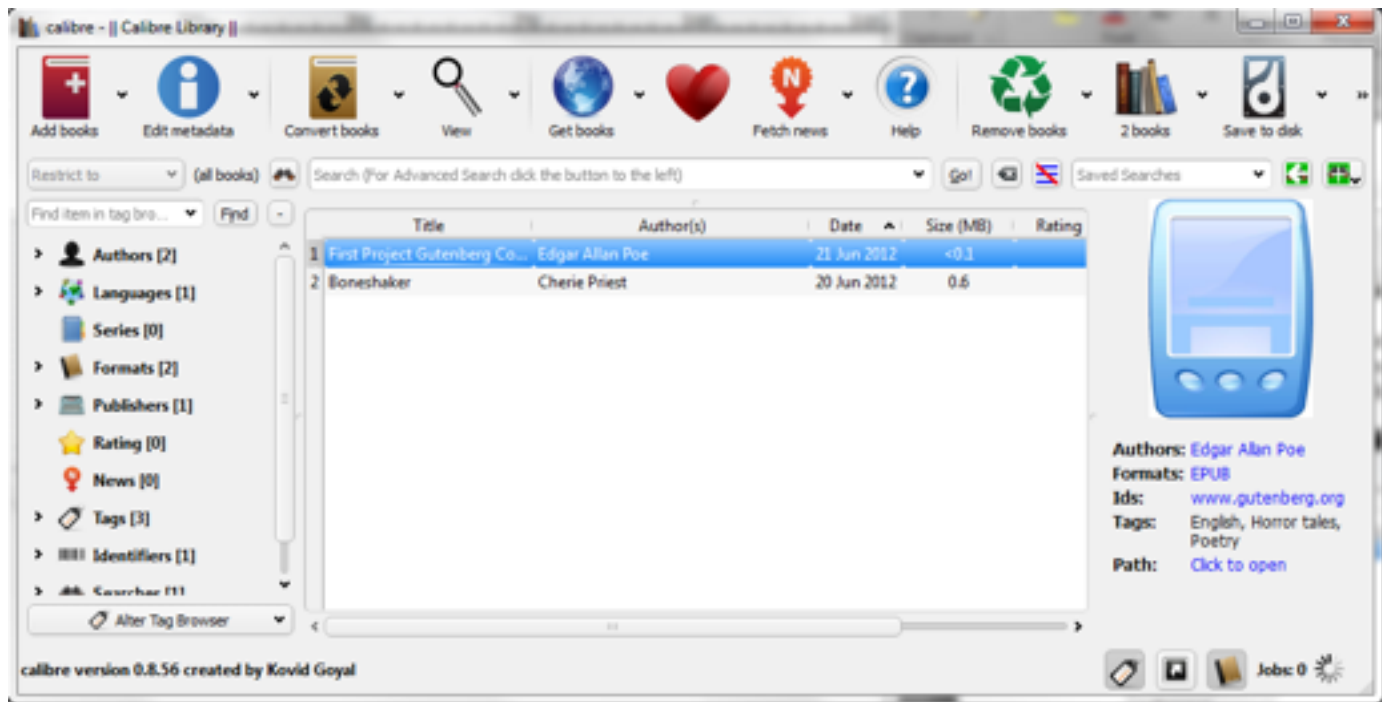
To start, click on “**Add books from a single directory**” and browse to the directory that you want. In the illustration below, I've chosen the book “pg1062.epub” which is actually The Raven by Edgar Allen Poe, which I have in the EPUB format that the Kindle will not read. I downloaded it from Project Gutenberg, a site that has plenty of public domain eBooks to choose from.





**Figure 36: Choosing a book to import.**

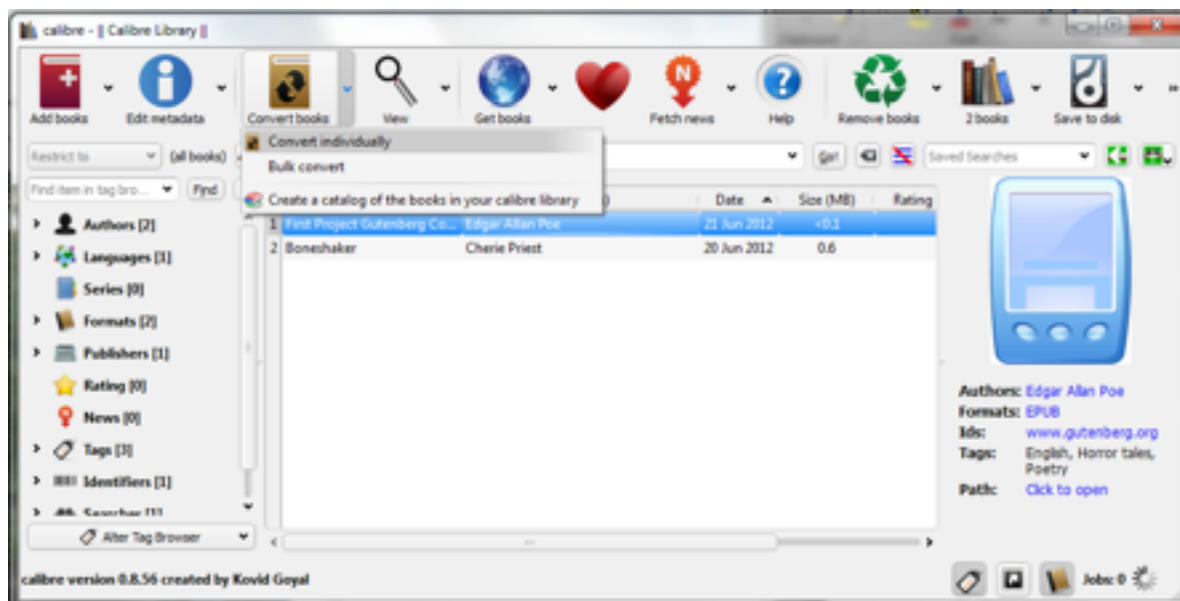
In **Figure 106**, you can see that the book has been added to my **Calibre Library**. Notice that even the cover art came over with the import, as did the description and other metatag information. This is one of the handiest features with the Calibre program. I'll change it to more suitable cover art and change the metatags during the conversion process so that they're more descriptive and accurate.



**Figure 37: The EBook from Project Gutenberg now appears in My Library.**

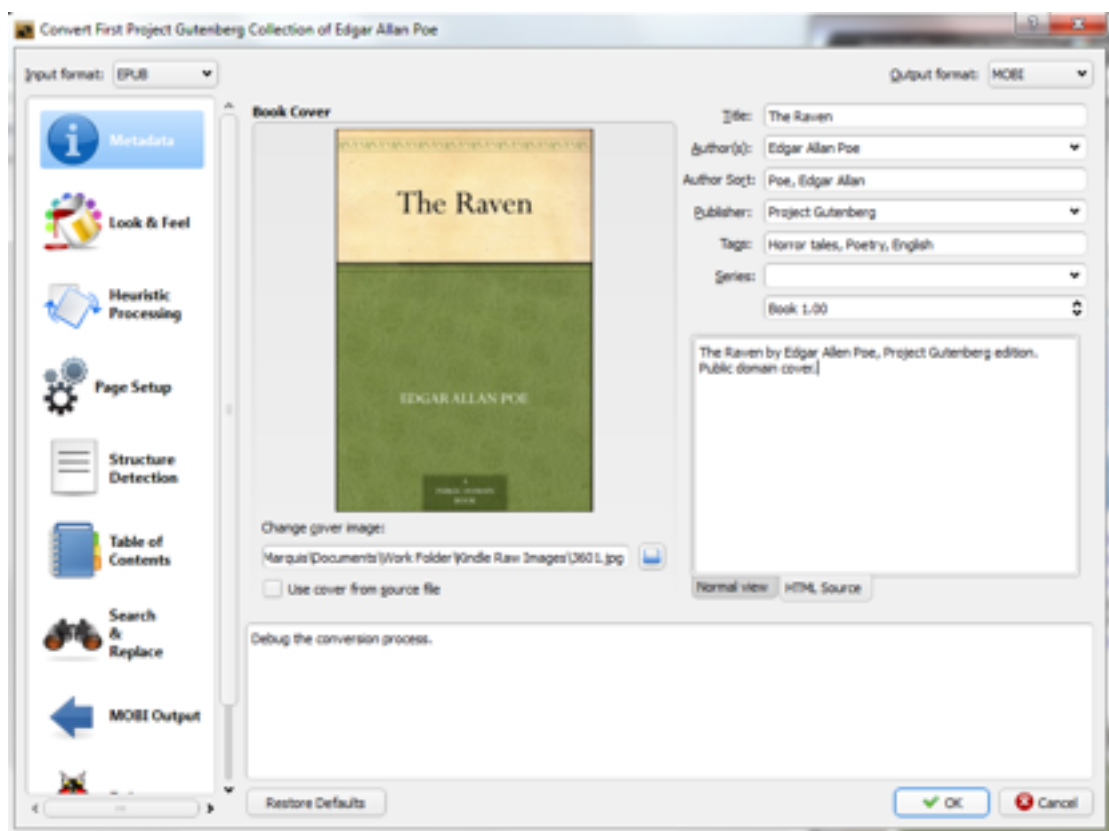
Before I dump this to my Kindle, I have to convert it. Fortunately, Calibre makes that very easy to do.

Highlight the title and select the “**Covert Books**” icon and then select “**Convert individually**”, as shown below.



**Figure 40: Getting Ready to Covert**

Once you select “**Convert individually**”, the screen pictured in **Figure 108** will appear.



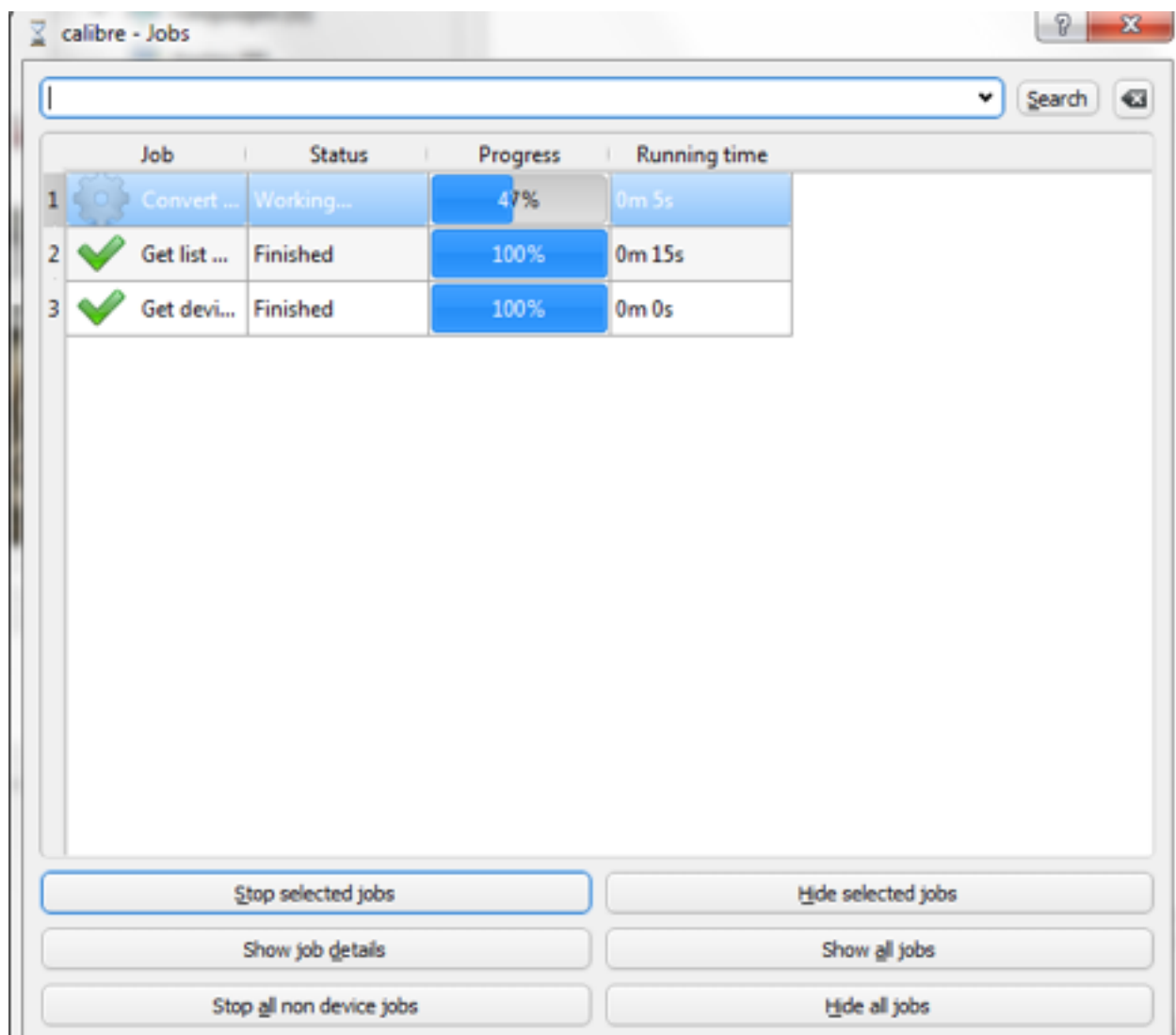
**Figure 41: The Convert screen**

Take a look at the options available. The **Metadata** selection controls the description, publisher credit and other information associated with the book. Be sure to fill these out if they're not filled out already. They're important organizational tools.

You can also change the cover image, which I've done using a public domain cover that I downloaded. I could technically use any image I wanted, however, as long as it didn't violate anyone's copyright. You can change the **Look and Feel** of the output, which alters the text formatting, and more. One thing that Calibre does very well is give you options!

Because this book needs to be readable on the Kindle, we'll go with the MOBI format, which you can see in the upper right-most dropdown list shown below.

The next screen does not show up automatically. Click **"Jobs"** under the main Calibre screen to see it. It shows you the progress of the conversion.



**Figure 45: A Calibre conversion in progress.**

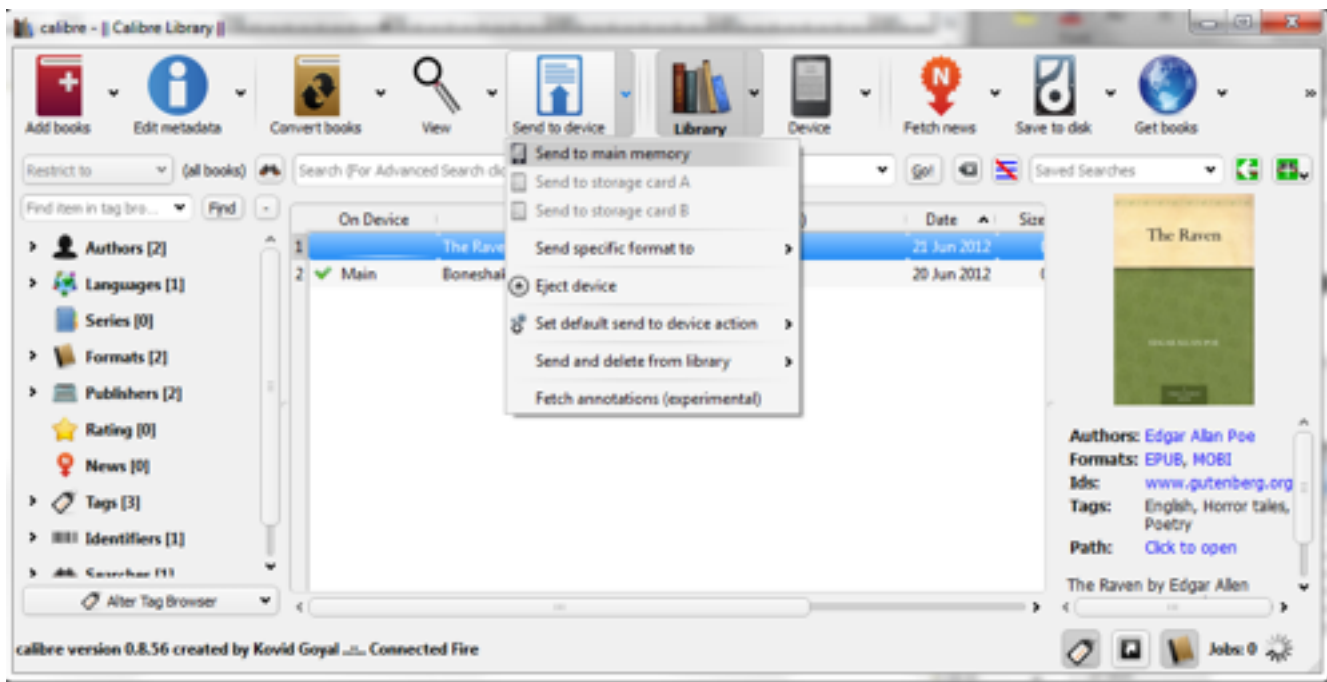
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**TIP:** You can convert more than one file at once, but it takes a lot of time. If you're going to do so, you might want to get a cup of coffee, order a pizza or do something else to pass the time. If you have a slow computer, consider making your own pizza from scratch!

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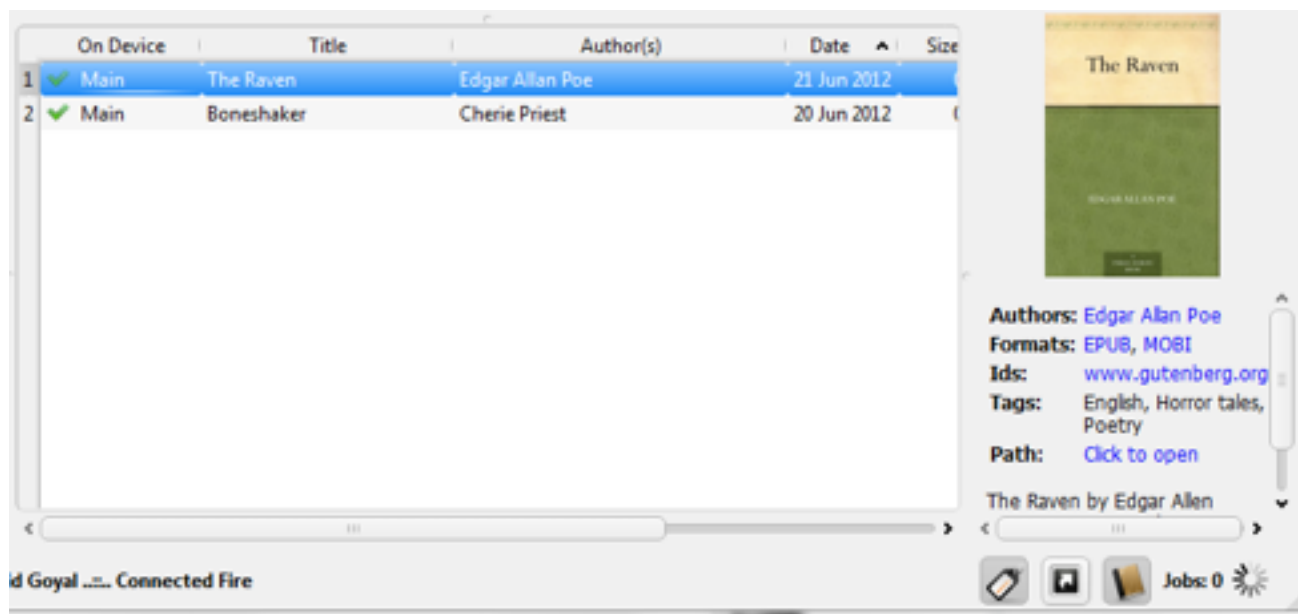
Now, the file has been converted to the MOBI format, which the Kindle will be entirely happy with, but we have to move it over to the Kindle device, of course.

Select, “**Send to Device**” from the top menu on the main screen. It will pick the device that you set up during the **Welcome Wizard**. You can just choose “**Send to main memory**” from the dropdown list. If you did have a device with additional onboard storage, Calibre would give you the option to send it to that storage.



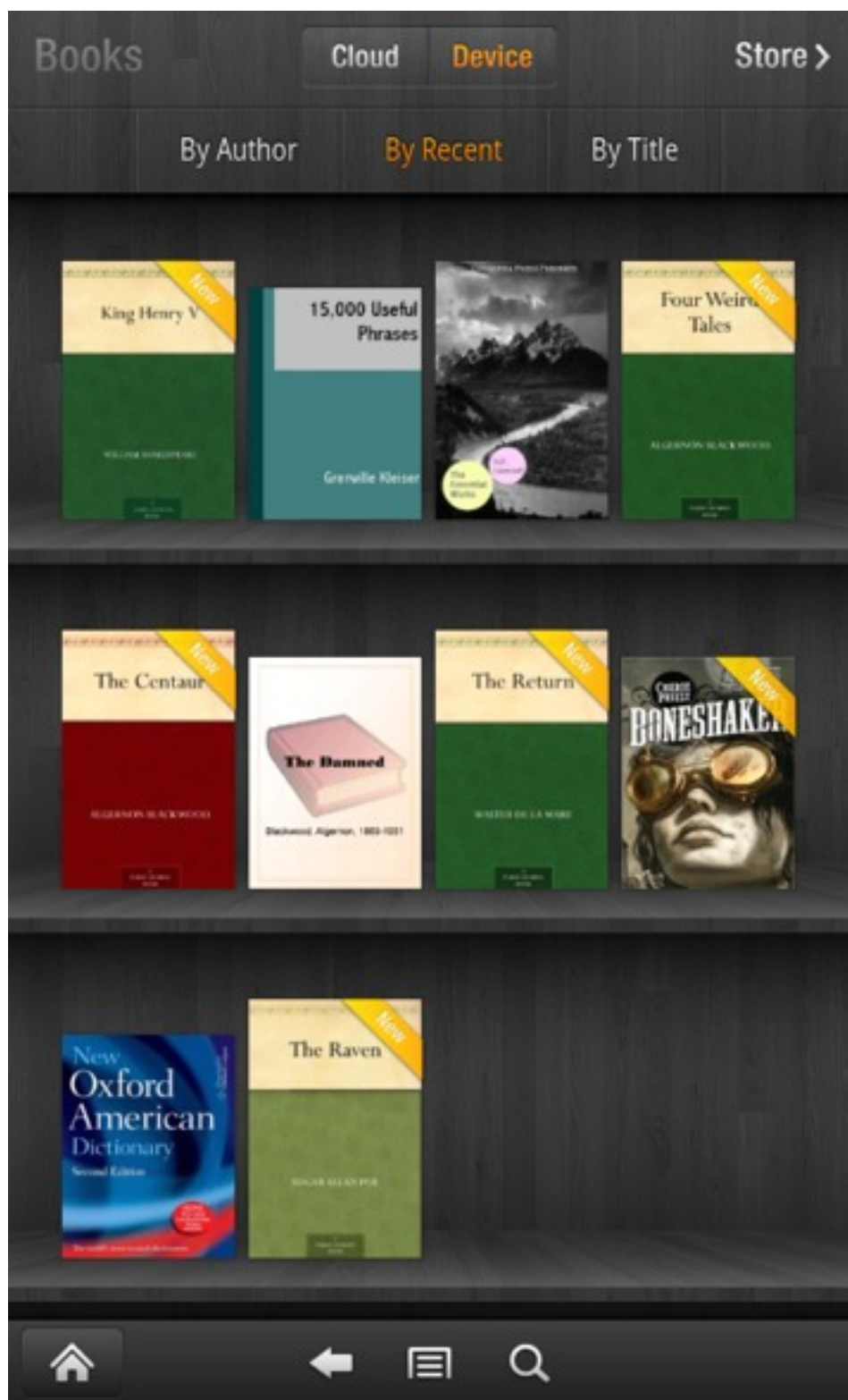
**Figure 46: Sending the book to the Kindle.**

When the book has been sent, you’ll see the listing for it under the “On Device” heading change, as shown below..



**Figure 47: The book now appears on my device.**

If I go to my **Books** library on my Kindle Fire and look under the titles available on my device, it shows right up, as pictured below.



**Figure 48: The Raven, Converted to a New Format.**

This is only one of the functions that Calibre offers you. It's an amazingly powerful program. We'll explore it more,



but be aware that this is going to be one of your most important resources for getting free books off of the Internet. The sites that offer public domain works sometimes don't have them in a format that the Kindle reads. In the future, of course, a format may come along that is incompatible with your Kindle books. Instead of having to buy them in a new format, you'll just be able to convert them!

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## **Briefly: For the love of Calibre**

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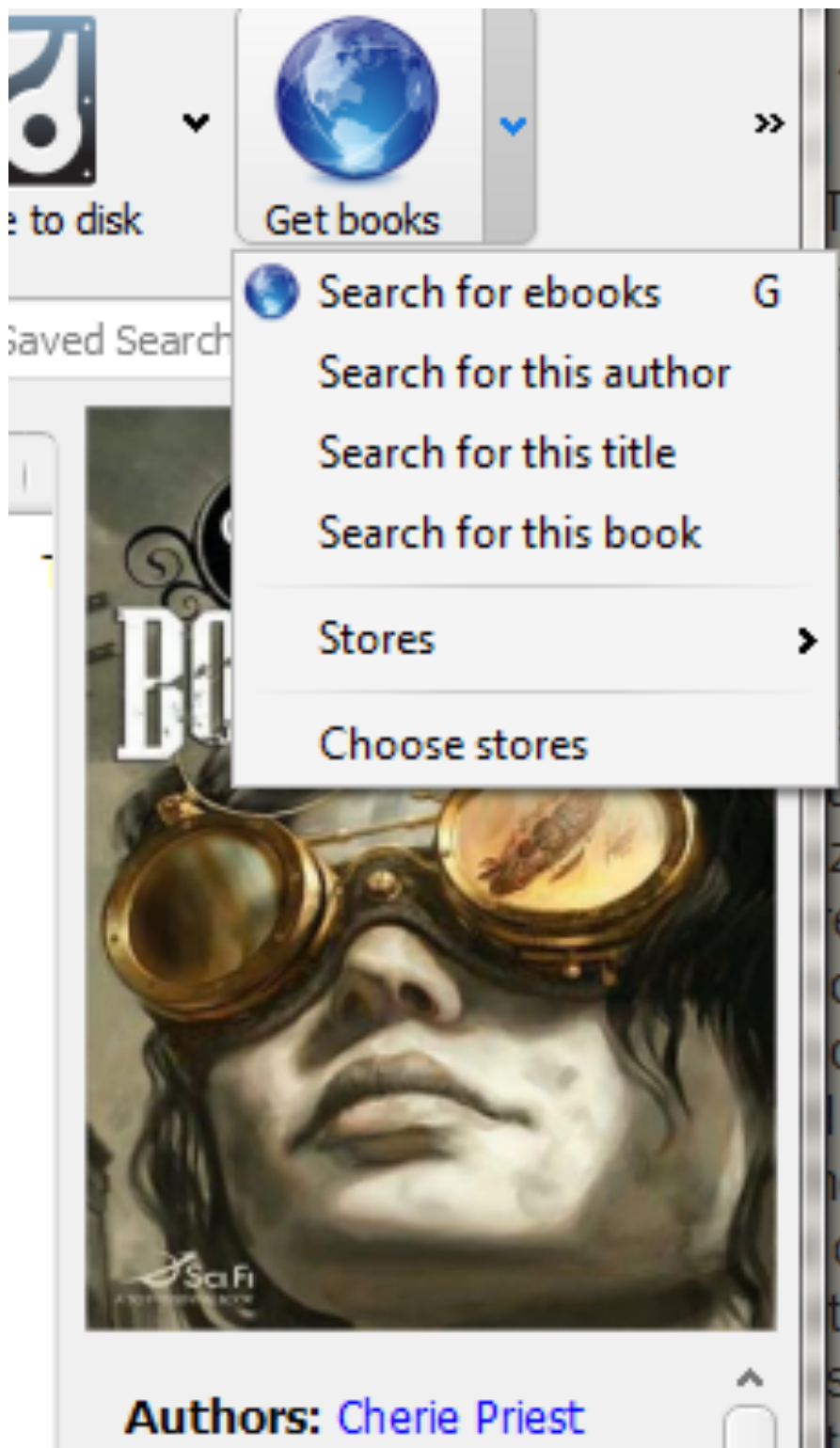
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## Let's go shopping!

The Kindle Fire makes it easy to go shopping at Amazon, and Calibre makes it easy to go shopping everywhere else. Because it can convert eBooks to different formats, that means that you can hit Amazon, Barnes & Noble, Borders, Project Gutenberg or any other site out there and purchase and download books without worrying about the format.

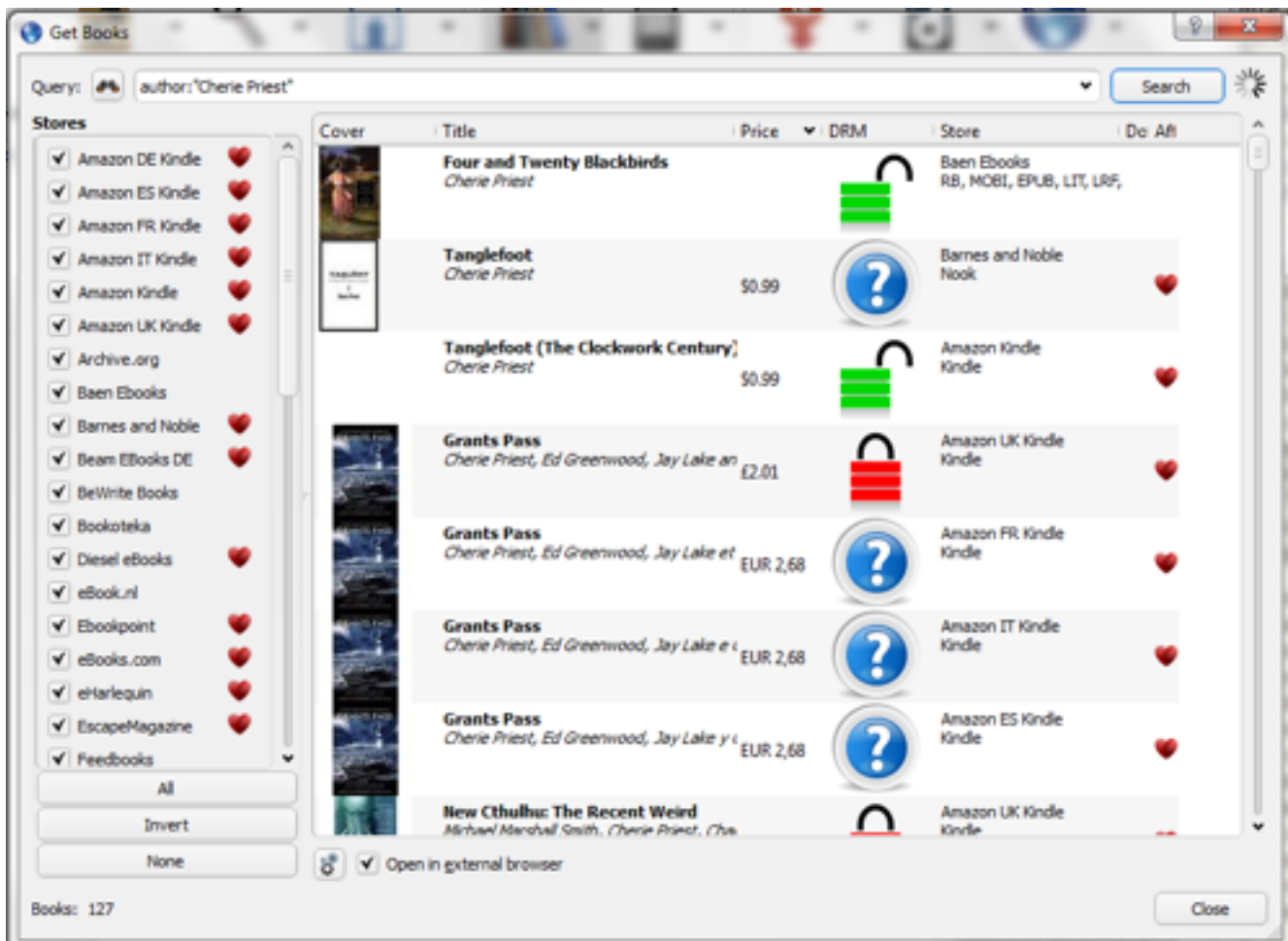
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**Figure 49: Get books!**

If I wanted to, however, I could search for any book using the “**Search for eBooks**” option. I found *The Raven* using that search function.

The following search dialog will come up. Along the left hand side of the dialog, pictured below, you'll see options for which stores to search. You can check or uncheck them according to your liking.



**Figure 50: Just Part of the Search Results.**

Notice the locks that appear next to some of the listings. This indicates whether the book has DRM (Digital Rights Management or copy prevention). This doesn't mean that you cannot move them from device to device, but you need

an additional program to do it. It's called Adobe Digital Editions, which you should have already for downloading books from your public library. Adobe Digital Editions allows you to authorize your eReader, which allows the publisher to manage the DRM properly.

## **Briefly: The Pirate Code**

Piracy, to put it in the simplest terms, means violating someone's copyright by selling, showing or distributing their works in a way that's against the law. For instance, if you remember what it says at the beginning of DVDs and Blu-ray discs, it's essentially that you can play the movie you bought for friends and family but that you cannot charge admission to a showing of that film. It's a violation of your license to do so. Do not use tools to remove DRM restrictions from eBooks. Never make copies of an eBook and distribute them, even for free. That is exactly the definition of piracy. Notice that you have the option of buying books with and without DRM restrictions. Just get the DRM-free version or make sure you have Adobe Digital Editions so that you can transfer it properly, if you need to.

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The search feature also searches public domain sources for books. Sort the books by price or by DRM status to get to the public domain versions, if one is available.

## **Exploring Calibre Further**

Calibre has numerous other features. The ways you can use it to enhance your experience using your Kindle Fire are many and, doubtless, you'll find your own ways of using it to make your experience with eBooks, new sources and other media much more enjoyable.

You'll find plenty of documentation and technical information for this program located at <http://manual.calibre-ebook.com/>. The online manual will let you explore the other functions of this program.

If you don't feel like wading through the online technical documentation, there is an intro video that gives you a nice overview of some of the features discussed in this chapter and more located on the Calibre homepage.

# Kindlefeeder

Another popular third-party Kindle service is Kindlefeeder. Like Calibre, it enables you to send content that appears on the Internet to your Kindle via email. I suppose it's a bit more easy-to-use at first, but doesn't have the range of Calibre.

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