The Student Guide to Sora:

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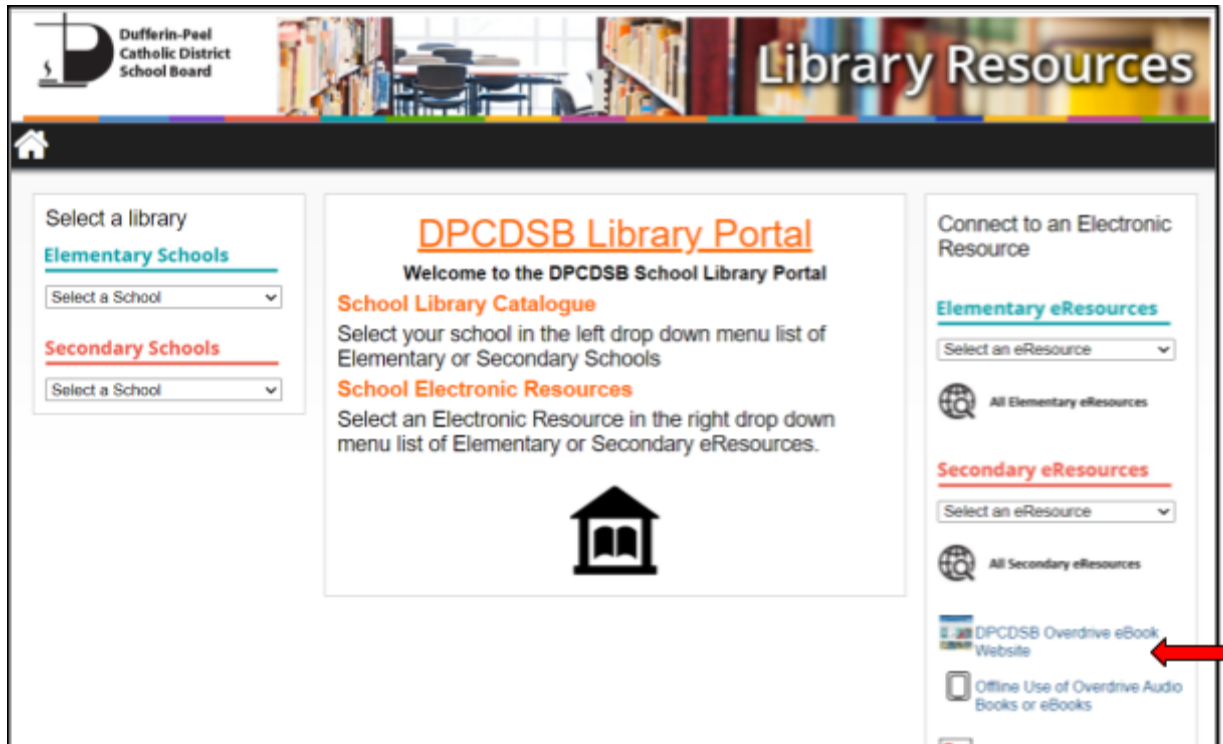
Follow the steps below to learn how to access eBooks. If you need assistance, reach out to your teacher or teacher-librarian.
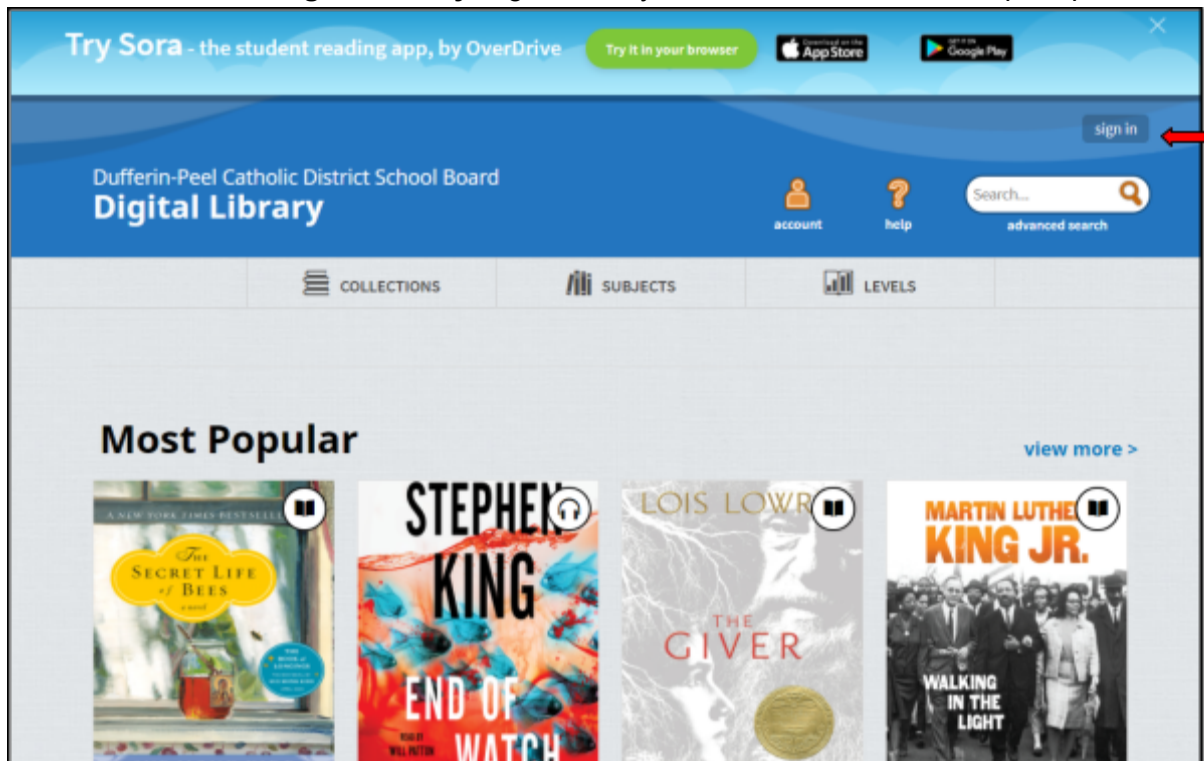
1. Go to your **Student Dashboard** students.dpcdsb.org/
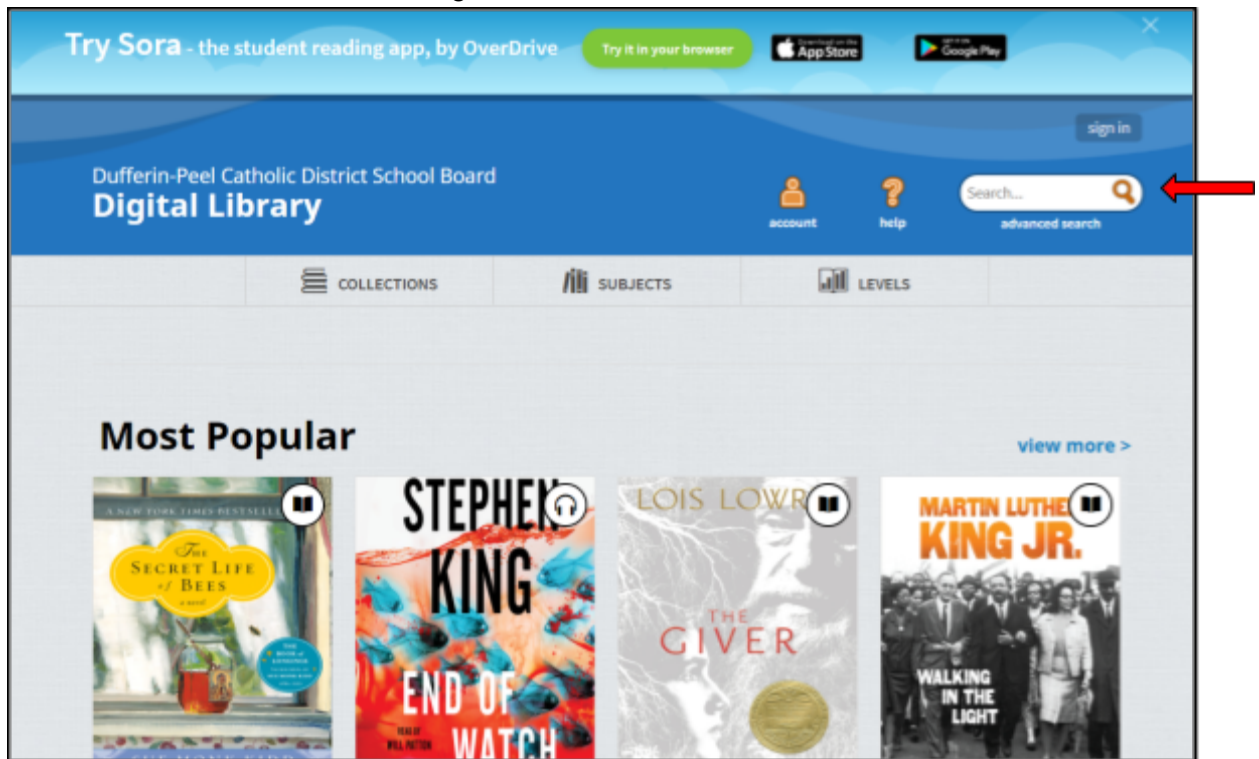
2. Select the **Library** button on the top right.

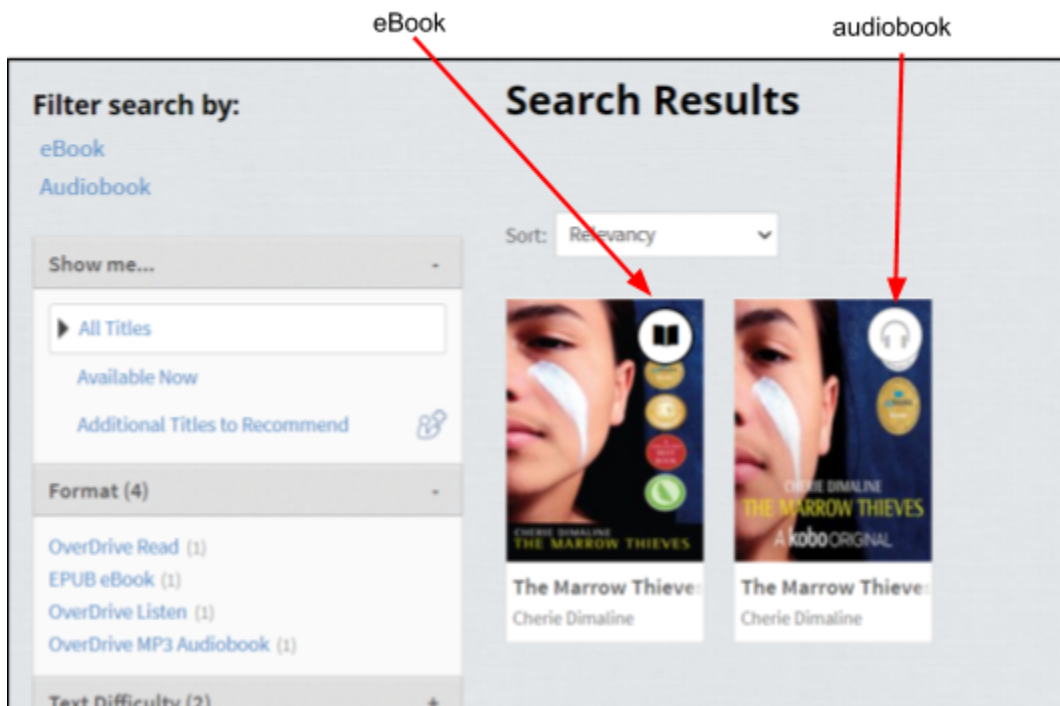3. Once on the **Library page**, select the **DPCDSB Overdrive Catalogue**.

4. In the **Dufferin-Pee**l **Digital Library**, sign in with your usual DP credentials if prompted.

5. You can now search for a title using the **Search bar**.

6. The results may be **eBooks** or **audiobooks**. Look at the icon above the thumbnail image of the book.

7. You can also see how many copies are available to borrow.

Note the number of **Copies Available**

8. Once you click **borrow**, the eBook is signed out to you for two weeks. It will be returned automatically after two weeks, unless you return it sooner or renew it.

9. You can read the eBook on your computer, laptop, or device. The next set of instructions shows you how to download and use the free **Sora app**.

To get the Sora app to read your eBook on your device:

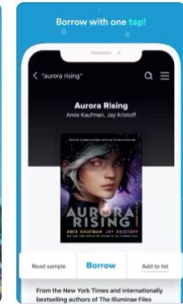|	
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2. Sign in to Sora by selecting **Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board.** The app may use location services to detect which school boards are near your location. Select Dufferin-Peel. If you are already signed in with your DP credentials elsewhere, it may not prompt you to enter them here. This platform is set up as "single sign-on."	‹ Back **Sign into Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board** Sign in using Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board

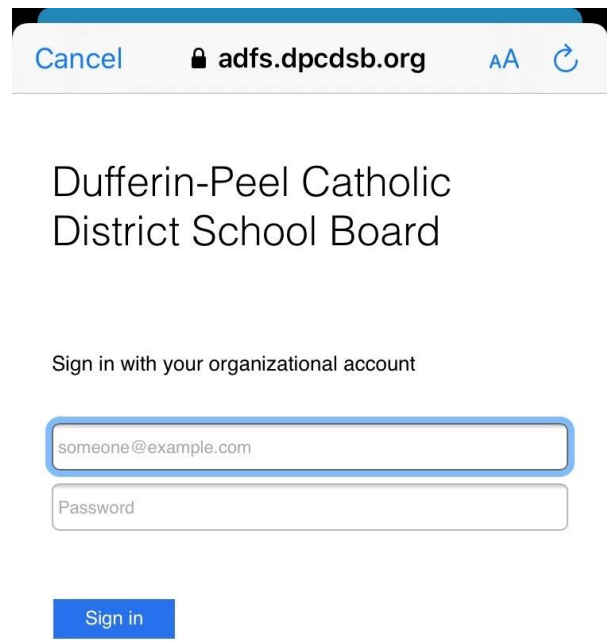|	
3. If prompted, use your Dufferin-Peel credentials to login. This will be the same login you use for your student dashboard. student number network password you always use (Teachers, use employee number.)	Cancel 🔒 adfs.dpcdsb.org AA ↻ ## Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board Sign in with your organizational account someone@example.com Password Sign in
4. When you borrow a book, you can begin flipping through the pages by swiping or clicking with your arrow keys. To **highlight text**, hold down on a word and drag across the sentence. You will be given options for highlighting in colour and **adding notes.** A record of your notes and highlights will be kept organized in the **Bookmarks** section on your side menu. See video demo. You can also **define** words, including **translations**. The numbers in the **"seek bar"** indicate which page number you are on in relation to the total number of pages. Click the ↑ to open the seek bar.	✕ Close 🔍 🔖 ☰ GATSBY The Great Gatsby 1 of 270 ↻
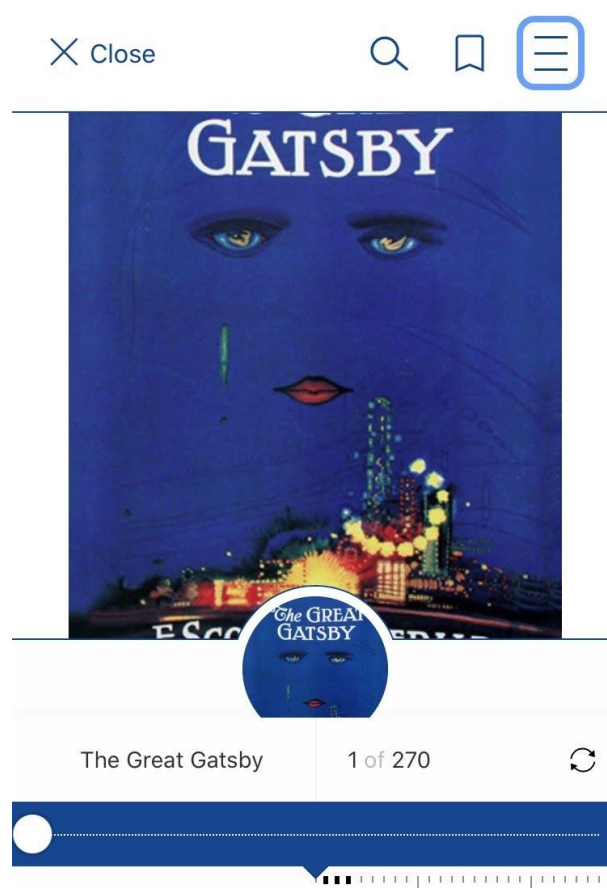
5. **Additional Menu Options:** when you click or tap your screen, an additional toolbar appears.
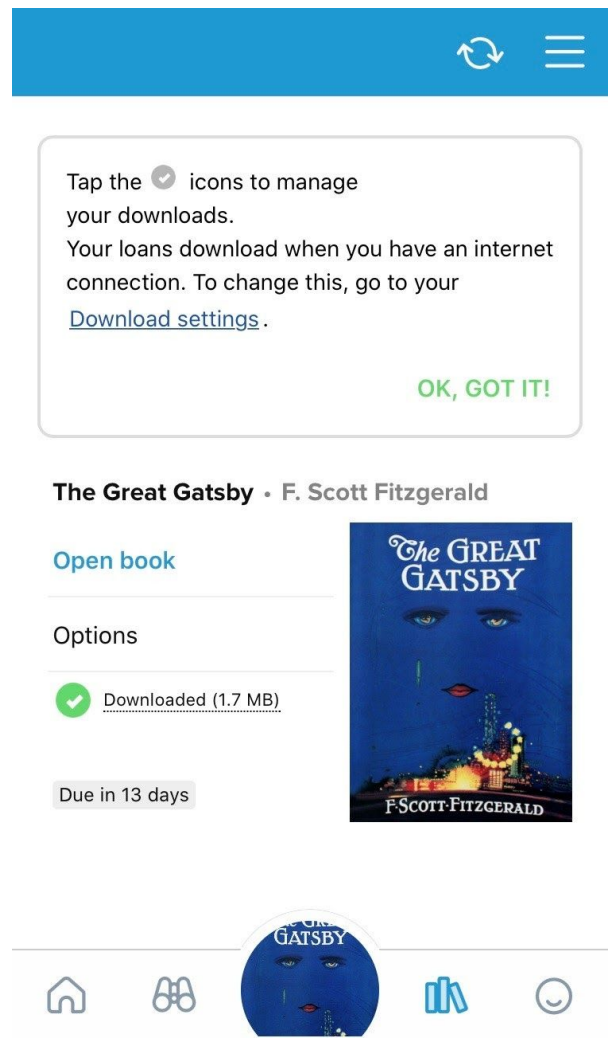
This allows you to:

- **search** for words or phrases in the text

- Select **chapters** to jump to

- **Bookmark** important pages

- Adjust **reading settings** like font size and display

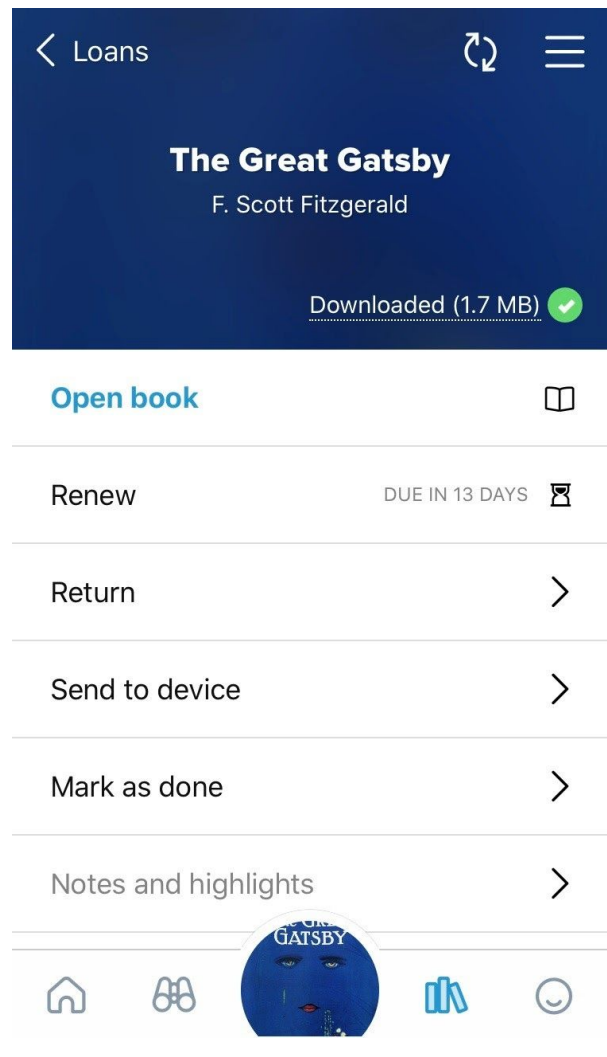- See more **tips and tricks** for navigating Sora
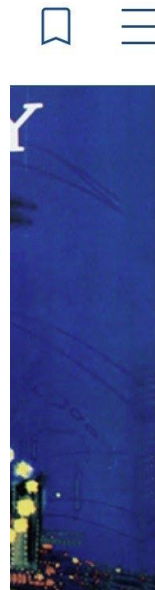
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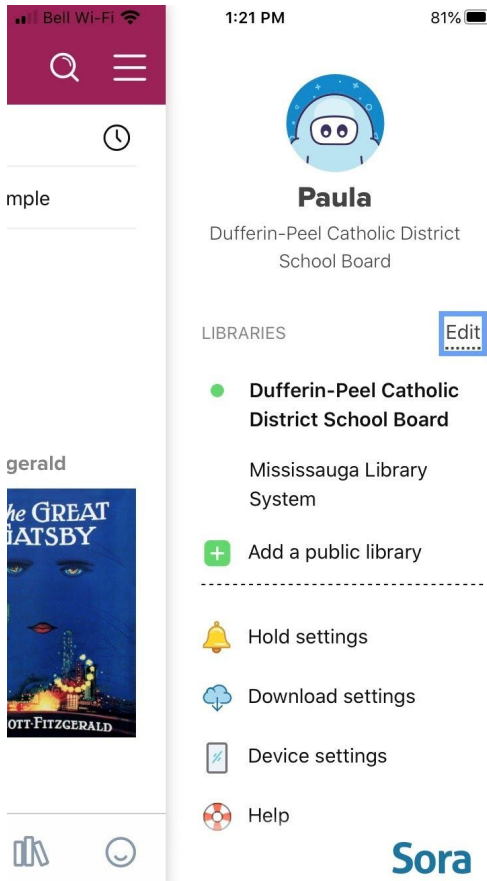♀ Tips&Secrets

6. To manage your downloads, click on the **Shelf** icon at the bottom of your screen.	

7. You will be given options to **renew** or **return** the eBook you have borrowed.

You can also mark it as **done** and then celebrate!

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The Great Gatsby

F. Scott Fitzgerald

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Return ›

Send to device ›

Mark as done ›

Notes and highlights ›

8. **Optional: Connect your account to public libraries:** Click the icon with the three horizontal lines (the pancake) at the top right of your screen. Another menu will appear at the right. The green plus sign icon invites you to **"Add a public library."** If you have a Mississauga or Orangeville Public Library Card, you can add it here. Brampton Public Library is not affiliated with OverDrive and therefore does not link up with your Sora account. Adding your public library card allows you to access all the eBooks and audiobooks in that library system in addition to DPCDSB libraries.	
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