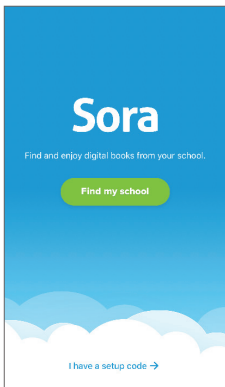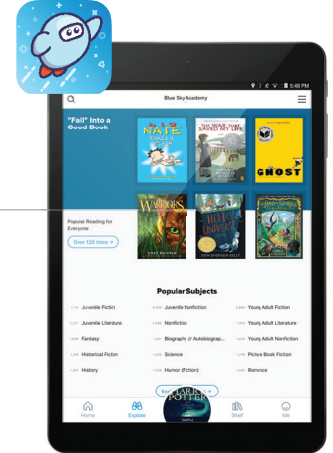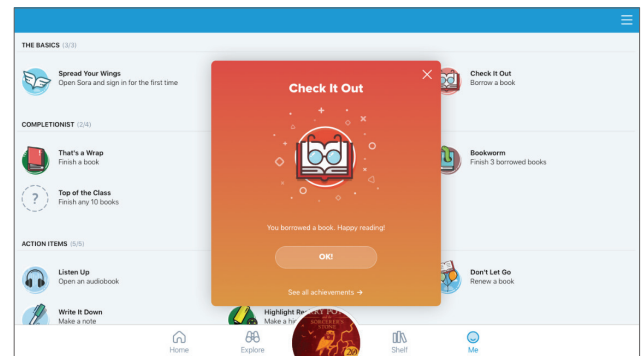# Sora

Sora is the new mobile and desktop reading experience from OverDrive, designed with students and educators in mind. Sora will soon be the recommended way to access your school's digital collection. Download the free app from the Google Play and Apple App stores or try in browser at https://soraapp.com/welcome/login/202765.

IMPORTANT DETAILS

- You can discover your school's digital collection through a search by school name or the setup code wsdlcwi. Students will sign in using existing school credentials– no new account creation or app registration is required.

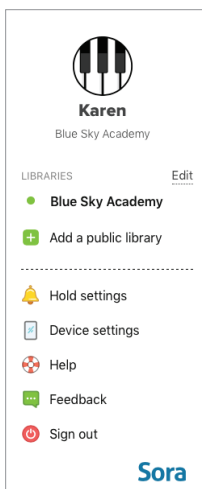- The Sora experience is the same across all devices and operating systems.

- Educators can assign titles to students that will be found on the **Home** tab. The **Me** tab displays the student's reading stats, achievements, and avatars.

- Individual schools will be able to curate collections specifically for their students.

- Students can also add the Wisconsin Public Library Consortium in Sora, providing access to an expanded digital collection of Juvenile and Young Adult titles.

NEXT STEPS

- ☐ Download the free Sora app for Android and iOS devices. On desktop or laptop computers, bookmark https://soraapp.com/welcome/login/202765. If your school is 1:1, pre-load the app or bookmark the site on all student devices.

- ☐ Attend one of our free webcast training sessions. Click here to register.

- ☐ Send an email to staff and parents to ensure all your school community is prepared for Sora.

WHAT HAPPENS WHEN YOUR SCHOOL SWITCHES TO SORA

New curation interface: On January 15, 2019, your school will be updated to a new curation interface in Marketplace to curate hand-picked and automated lists in Sora. Curation will still also be done by the consortium, so there will be collections automatically available.

OverDrive site promotion: You will see messaging on your OverDrive website encouraging students to try Sora.

Direct URL linking: Any URLs you currently use to direct students to your OverDrive site will continue to work (e.g., link on your website, MARC records, etc.). However, you can direct students to Sora by promoting https://soraapp.com.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What does the name Sora mean?
Sora is the Japanese word for 'sky'. It is meant to evoke the feeling of soaring to new heights through reading.

Which app stores is Sora available in?
Sora is available in the Apple App and Google Play stores, including any Chromebook device that offers the Google Play Store. Sora is also available via web browser at https://soraapp.com.

What formats does Sora support?
• OverDrive Read (eBooks) • OverDrive Listen (audiobooks) • Kindle (ebooks – U.S. only)

What will happen to my school's MARC records?
At this time, your school's MARC records will continue to direct students to your OverDrive website rather than Sora.

What is my school's setup code?
The setup code for all WSDLC consortia members is *wsdlcwi*.

Can students switch between my school's current OverDrive website and Sora?
We recommend consistently using only one platform because alternating between your OverDrive site and Sora will not sync activity.

What are some of the features that are forthcoming in Sora?
We are continuing to develop Sora to best meet the needs of students and teachers.
Some features you can look forward to include MARC record integration, multilingual support, Recommend to School, enhanced accessibility options, and more.

How can students and staff get troubleshooting help for Sora?
We offer Sora help through the in-app menu. OverDrive also provides direct technical support for Sora users from within the app.

Available for download at: Download on the App Store   GET IT ON Google Play

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