

## Are traditional printed books uncomfortable or difficult to use?

If you have trouble reading or handling a standard print book, you are not alone!

Luckily, books come in many different formats for different needs.

People of all ages with the following conditions frequently prefer books in an alternate format:

- Low vision
- Blindness
- Multiple Sclerosis
- Arthritis
- Physical disability
- Lack of muscle coordination or prolonged weakness
- Dyslexia
- ADD/ADHD

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## Accessibility Resources: Reading is for everyone!



### Find the format that fits your needs!



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## Materials in the Library

FLLS member libraries offer several accessible book formats that you can find on the shelf or request from another library.

### 1. Large Print Books:

Books printed in 14pt or larger type. Over 27,000 items available.

### 2. Audiobooks on CD:

Recorded books on compact discs. Over 18,000 items available.

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The New York State Talking Book and Braille Library (TBBL) is a free library service for eligible residents of upstate New York who are unable to use standard print materials due to a visual, physical, or reading disability.

Materials are mailed to and from library patrons at their homes at no charge. Books can also be downloaded directly to a tablet or smartphone.

To sign up, FLLS can assist or you can contact TBBL directly:

**FLLS:** (607) 319-5613

**TBBL:** (800) 342-3688

[www.nysl.nysed.gov/tbbl](http://www.nysl.nysed.gov/tbbl)

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