

CELA at Your Library

The Centre for Equitable Library Access, CELA, is a national not-for-profit organization that provides accessible reading services to the approximately 3 million people across Canada with print disabilities. A print disability is a learning, physical or visual disability that prevents a person from reading conventional print.



CELA's collection

Our collection includes award winners, best sellers, fiction and nonfiction with an emphasis on Canadian and Indigenous authors and stories, and favourites for kids and teens, plus accessible magazines and newspapers.

Bookshare

CELA also offers titles from Bookshare, a US-based accessible online library for people with print disabilities. Proof of disability is required for access. Libraries are not able to borrow items from the Bookshare collection.

Getting started

- 1. CELA Interlibrary loan (ILL) account:** all CELA Member Libraries have a 6-digit ILL account number to log into celalibrary.ca. Use this number to register patrons, order books, view borrowing history, add magazine CD subscriptions and view usage statistics.
- 2. Registration:** library staff can register patrons with print disabilities. Libraries log into their ILL account to register your eligible patrons.
- 3. Equipment:** libraries may wish to consider purchasing DAISY players or tablets to loan to eligible patrons. CELA does not provide players.
- 4. Staff training:** CELA offers training on all aspects of our service. Attend a live webinar or watch a recording to learn about offering CELA at your library, Educator Access Program, accessible reading technologies and more.

Outreach

Libraries may order CELA bookmarks and flyers to promote access to accessible books in their communities. Order books in accessible formats to provide equal access to reading materials in the format of your patrons' choice.

Accessible reading formats and delivery options

CELA offers a wide range of reading formats to suit different reading technologies. Find what works best for your patrons.

Devices	Formats	Delivery Options
CD player or DAISY Player	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• DAISY audio• DAISY text	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• CDs in the mail• Items load straight to your player (Direct to player)• Download files and transfer to device or computer.
Smart phone, tablet or computer	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• DAISY audio• DAISY text• Word• EPUB• HTML	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Items load straight to your computer or EasyReader app (Direct to Player)• Download files and transfer to device or computer.• Burn CDs
Braille books or electronic braille display	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Physical• Braille books• Electronic braille	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Braille books in the mail• Download file and read on braille display.

Books for your patrons:

Patrons can access books in two ways. Libraries may request books on behalf of their patrons with print disabilities or patrons with individual accounts may also receive books directly from CELA.

Temporary loan: use your ILL account to download or order books in any format. Books must be returned to CELA.

Direct to player: libraries can configure a library-owned DAISY player to access books through Direct to Player or add the Dolphin EasyReader app to tablets and pre-load reading items.

Deposit collection of DAISY CDs: libraries may request deposit collections of DAISY books on CD in French or English. Titles are automatically selected by subject, language and age preferences and are sent on an annual or semi-annual basis. Libraries will receive MARC records and must contact CELA to make changes to their selections.

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