

Nook Simple Touch eReader Usage

[1 - How Do I highlight words on nook Touch?](#)

While in a book press on the word. After that you will see a menu appear on the bottom of the display - Press "Highlight".

General Nook Simple Touch Device Questions

[2 - Can I install other software on my nook Touch?](#)

The original nook allowed software to be installed on it only with hacking, the nook Color required hacking or installing apps from the nook App store. The nook Touch doesn't really have either of those options yet. For the nook Touch enjoy it for what it does best - be a great eReader.

eBook and Nook Simple Touch Content Questions

[3 - Can I convert my Kindle content to the nook Touch?](#)

Kindle uses an Amazon specific book format that no other store or device uses. This leads to lock-in with the Kindle and the eBooks purchased. There are tools of questionable legal use that remove the DRM and convert the book content to a format that may be usable by the nook devices.

You can google to find out more if you are interested. I'm not condoning [this particular site](#) , but is an example of the type of tools that exist.

[4 - Can I read books for free while I'm in the B&N store?](#)

Yes, you'll have up to an hour to read any book for free. Unlike the original nook where you had to be connected to the free wi-fi in the store the whole time you just have to get the book and it expires in an hour. NOTE: Not all books are available for "read in store".

[5 - Can I read eBooks from my local public library on the nook Touch?](#)

If your local library uses the Overdrive library system for eBook content the answer is yes. This works because Overdrive and the nookColor both use the same copy protection scheme from Adobe. Great news for nook Touch owners!

You will need to install Adobe Digital Editions on your desktop computer (Mac or Windoze). Use it to download the books (the download link on Library site will start ADE. Next, plug in your nook Touch and use ADE to "authorize" it (just first time). Then simply drag the book cover onto the nook (on left side of ADE). Eject the nook and the book will appear under "My Documents"!

Watch our [Video Tutorial on using the nookColor with ADE](#) before you get started if you are using content you are purchasing (there are some gotchas). The same hints for the nook Color work for the nook Touch.

[6 - Can I use the "share" feature on nook Touch with non-B&N content?](#)

The answer appears to be no. After testing a few different epub sources none of them from alternate booksellers (or public domain) were able to use the "share" option which lets you share a highlighted portion of the text with your social network. This is unrelated to the lend-me feature. Seems to be a bug or yet another special feature reserved for B&N content.

[7 - Do I have to buy eBooks on the nook Touch through B&N?](#)

No. The easiest way to get books is through the B&N store but you can also load other books on your nook. You can move files from your computer to your nook using a USB connection. The supported file types are ePub, PDB, MP3s, PDFs, and image files. Once you plug-in the nook Touch to your computer you'll see the contents appear in Windows Explorer or Apple Finder. The device already has directories on it for this, put your files in the right directory.

By embracing the ePub standard any non-DRM (copy protected) book can be loaded on the nook Touch. Since B&N picked Adobe for their DRM support other places that sell - or rent - ePub books with that copy protection should also work on the nook.

Kobo eBooks, Overdrive library, and Sony books have been tested on the nook Simple Touch.

To make buying books easier, and to get eBooks as a gift I'd suggest the an [eBook B&N Giftcard!](#) :)

[8 - How can I convert other content to be read on my nook Touch?](#)

The best tool out there is called "[Calibre](#)". calibre is a FREE and open source e-book library management application developed by users of e-books for users of e-books. It has a cornucopia of features. Calibre can convert from a huge number of formats to a huge number of formats. It supports all the major e-book formats. The full list of formats can be found on their website. The conversion engine has lots of powerful features. It can rescale all font sizes, ensuring the output e-book is readable no matter what font sizes the input document uses. It can automatically detect/create book structure, like chapters and Table of Contents. It can insert the book metadata into a "Book Jacket" at the start of the book

We'd recommend you read the following tutorial on using Calibre to get you up and running converting content to your nook quickly! [Calibre Tutorial](#)

[9 - How do I load Library Books on my Nook Touch?](#)

You'll need to use the Adobe Digital Editions Tool (ADE) you can find it [here](#) .

We have a [video tutorial](#) that you should watch that shows exactly how to use the tool with your library site.

NOTE: Your library site needs to use the Overdrive system.

[10 - How do I use my gift card to buy an eBook for my nook Touch?](#)

This isn't very intuitive. Login to the B&N website on your computer and click "Account" at the top. Then on the right click "Manage Gift Cards for eBooks". Put in your gift card information. Now you can shop for books. You will be confused by "will be purchased with your default credit card" near the "Buy" button - pay no attention. When you click the button it will inform you any eCard balance will be used first.

If the purchase exceeds your gift card balance the rest will be charged to the default charge card.

[11 - How does the "lending" a book work on nook Simple Touch?](#)

The bad news is you can only lend a book out **one time** for **fourteen** days. While the book is "lent" you can't read it. Amazon CEO calls this feature a joke but B&N claims 80% of book authors will allow lending. It's a nice feature to have and opens up the door to electronic lending - a great thing.

To lend a book on your nook touch you first need to know if it is a "Lend-Me" item. You can do this looking at the book cover, lendable items have a "Lend-Me" ribbon at the top. To lend this item tap and hold your finger on the book cover until you get a pop-up. Select "Lend-Me". From here you can find contacts you've added to your nook or view your Facebook contents. Select a person and include a message. They will have 7 days to accept the lending and after they do the book will be theirs for 14 days.

[12 - What document and ebook types are handled by nook Touch](#)

You'll notice some of the older eBook container types like PDB are missing from the list! While some were supported on the original nook they are not on the nookColor or nook Touch.

- PDF
- EPUB (DRM / Adobe EPUB through ADE Too)
- Word (doc, docx, docm, dot, dotx, dotm)
- Excel (xls,xlsx, xlsx, xlt, xltx, xltm)
- PowerPoint (ppt, pptx, pptm, pps, ppsx, ppsm, pot, potx, potm)
- Rich Text Format (rtf)
- Plain Text (txt)
- HTML (htm, html, xhtml)

13 - Where are the eBooks I loaded on my nook Touch?

This can be confusing at first. Remember, there are two areas of content on the nook Touch. First there is B&N Library, which contains all the content you got from B&N. This content will all appear on the nook Touch homepage when you click the "n" button. This content also appears under books if you go to library. Second, there is "My Files" which contains content you have loaded. To get to this section bring up the ribbon menu by tapping the ^ in the middle of screen and tap "Library". In Library you'll find a section "My Files". It's very unfortunatel B&N kept this divide between your content and it's just a shameless attempt for you to get all their content for them.

The best you can do to get your content and B&N content organized together is to use "Shelves". Click on a PDF or ePub in your documents and Add it to a shelf. The shelves are like categories and both your content and B&N content can be on the same shelf.