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### **Grow Your Child's Love of Reading with Free eBooks: Access TumbleBooks™ through your library's website**

BOISE, ID – “Research shows that the best way to improve a child’s reading skills is to provide convenient access to reading materials,” said State Librarian Ann Joslin. “When children have access to books, they read them. And, when they read a lot or have parents reading to them on a regular basis, all aspects of literacy improve.”

The Idaho Commission for Libraries purchased a three-year subscription renewal to TumbleBooks talking picture books for all publicly-funded public libraries in Idaho. This subscription allows Idaho library users—from anywhere they have Internet connection—access to hundreds of stories including fiction, non-fiction, and foreign language titles; Read-Alongs; and Tumble Puzzles & Games. This fun and valuable early learning resource can be accessed through the TumbleBooks link on Idaho public library websites.

“Available 24/7, it’s a ready resource that can be used anytime, anywhere with Internet access,” said Commission reading programs coordinator Tammy Hawley-House. “Research clearly shows that the amount of reading done in the home is crucial to developing good readers. We are pleased to provide convenient reading opportunities to Idaho children and families through TumbleBooks.”

Check out TumbleBooks on your library’s website and click open a world of 24/7 reading.

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