



10 Facts about the Idaho Talking Book Service (TBS)

1. This library service is available to any Idaho resident unable to read standard print due to a physical disability. Physical disabilities include being legally blind, visually impaired, or unable to hold a book or turn the pages. The disability may be temporary or permanent.
2. The service is completely FREE -- including use of the playback equipment, books and magazines, postage to mail the materials, and a toll-free number to contact the Talking Book Service in Boise.
3. Materials are delivered directly to the user's residence, which is ideal for anyone who is homebound.
4. The collection contains fiction in a variety of genres including westerns, romances, and mysteries and nonfiction in genres from astronomy to zoology. There are currently more than 100,000 titles available in the collection.
5. Books and magazines are available in many languages, in addition to English.
6. Users can use an online catalog to identify materials and request the materials be sent to them.
7. Users with high-speed internet access can download titles for use on their personal devices.
8. Users and their family members/caregivers can talk to knowledgeable TBS staff for help in the selection of materials.
9. Potential users must be certified as eligible to use the service. Applications can be certified by medical personnel, library staff, and social workers.
10. More information, including applications, are available at: <http://libraries.idaho.gov/tbs> or contact Sue Walker at sue.walker@libraries.idaho.gov or at 800-458-3271.