

## How to View Overdrive e-books and Audio Books on a Portable Device

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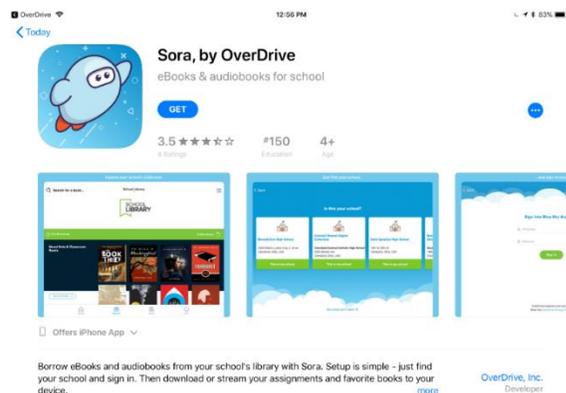
The LRC purchases ebooks and audio books from two different companies: Follett, which runs our library software program Destiny, and Overdrive, which is the largest supplier of digital content in the world. When you do a Library Search or a Destiny Discover search in Destiny (log in to your school library then click on **Catalog** and chose either **Library Search** or **Destiny Discover**) you will have access to the ebooks and audio books we have purchased from both companies. A direct link to Overdrive, however, has been added to each elementary library landing page, so that you can access professionally narrated read along books with minimal clicks. Note that Follett does not currently offer for purchase professionally narrated read along ebooks.

This tip sheet is to help walk you through the steps of installing the **Sora** app, which is the recommended app to use on a portable device by Overdrive, so that you can access all of the Overdrive digital content that we have on a portable device. Note that it is also recommended that you install the **Destiny Discover** app, so that you can search all of Follett's digital content, as well as Overdrives, from that app. Another tip sheet is available to walk you through the steps to do that. To open Overdrive content from the Destiny Discover app, however, you will need to first install the Sora app.

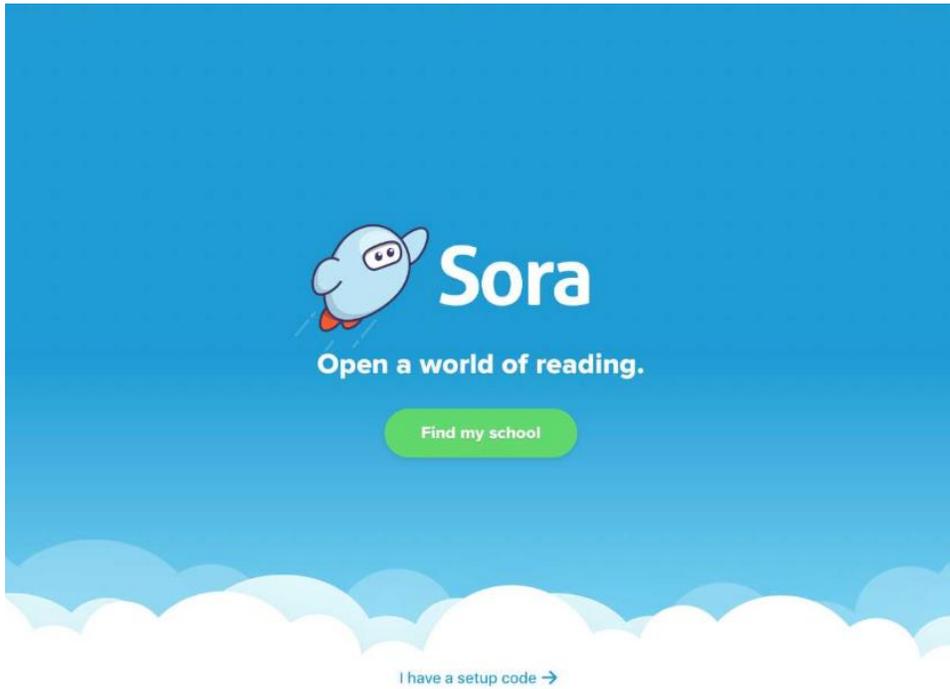
Note that your school-based Teacher-Librarian can help you install and use both of these apps.

### Steps:

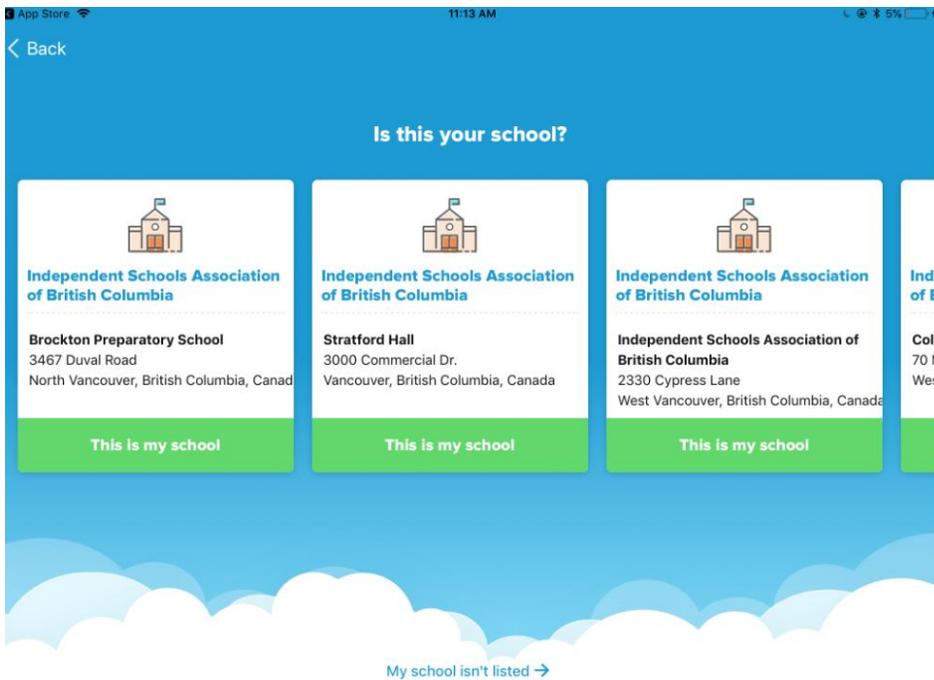
Go to the app store and type in "Sora by overdrive" then "Get" the Sora app:



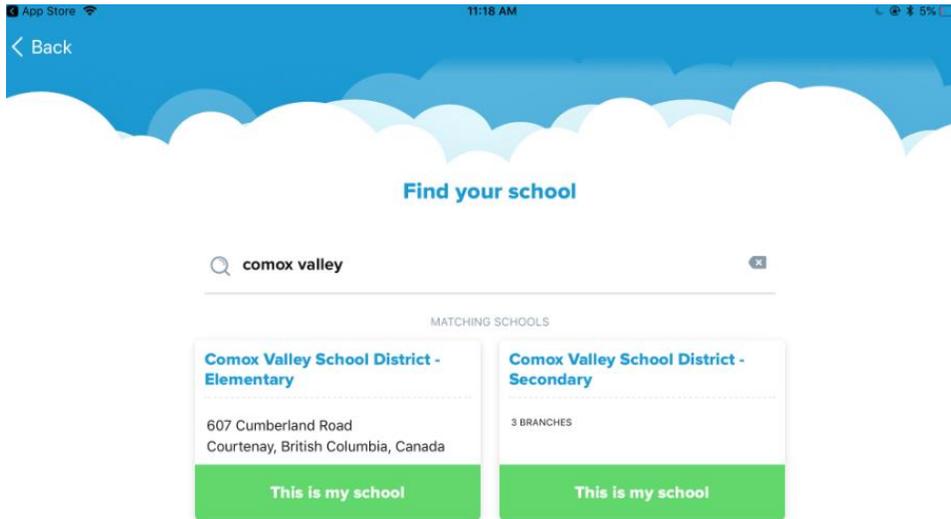
Open the app and the screen below appears. Tap on "Find my school":



A list of schools appears:



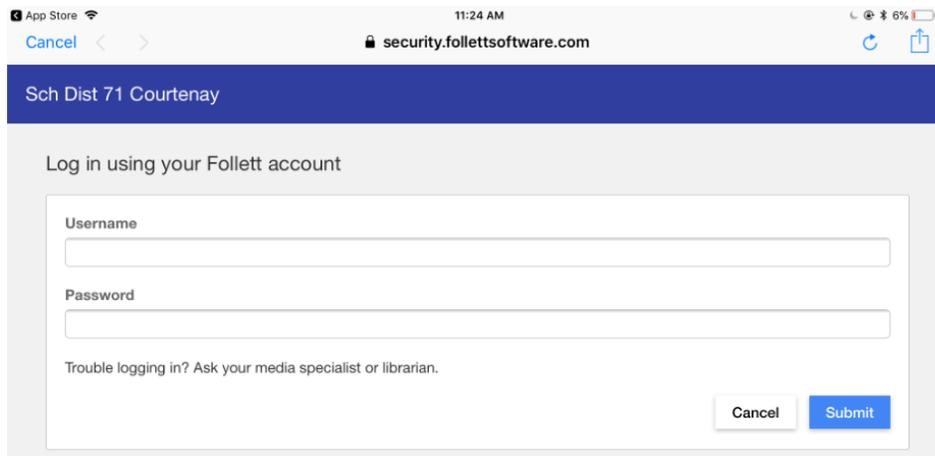
On the bottom of the screen, tap on "My school isn't listed." The "Find Your School" screen appears. Type in "Comox Valley" and the two options below appear. Note that you may have to close the keyboard on your portable device to see them:



Elementary Teachers and Students click on the first option: "Comox Valley School District - Elementary." Tap on the Sign In bar:



Log in using the same Follett Destiny username and password you use to access your school library (same as your computer log in, email log in etc.):



The screenshot shows a mobile browser interface. At the top, the status bar displays 'App Store', signal strength, Wi-Fi, the time '11:24 AM', and battery level '6%'. The browser's address bar shows 'security.follettsoftware.com'. Below the address bar is a blue header with the text 'Sch Dist 71 Courtenay'. The main content area is a light gray box with the heading 'Log in using your Follett account'. It contains two input fields: 'Username' and 'Password'. Below these fields is a link that says 'Trouble logging in? Ask your media specialist or librarian.' At the bottom right of the form are two buttons: 'Cancel' and 'Submit'.

You will now be in the Overdrive Elementary Site, where you can explore new titles and borrow them. Always keep an eye on the address bar, to know what website you are in. The screen shot below shows that I currently have the read along ebook with audio "Alien Encounter" on loan, as well as the ebook "Amazing Dogs."

The next time you wish to access the ebooks and audio books that we have available on our Overdrive Elementary Site, it is as simple as opening the Sora app you just installed.

Once again, note that our district has ebooks from two distributors, Overdrive and Follett. Only the Overdrive ebooks and audio books are available on the Overdrive site. If you download the Follett **Destiny Discover** app, you will be able to view and borrow both the Overdrive ebooks and audio books, as well as all of the Follett e-books and audio books. Instructions for doing so are found on another tip sheet.