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Missouri Libraries 2 Go Creates Always Available eReading Room
Collecting available ebooks and audiobooks together allows for convenient, easy browsing
on library website

December 11, 2018 – Libraries have long embraced the digital age and are continually adding innovations and conveniences to service the members of their community. As another example, Missouri Libraries 2 Go (a consortium of Missouri public libraries) has digitized the concept of physical reading rooms by creating a specialized eReading Room of Always Available ebooks and audiobooks within their digital collection. With a library card, users of Missouri Libraries 2 Go member libraries, can browse digital books sectioned off from the rest of the catalog with all searches filtered and dedicated to available items. Readers can find this on https://molib2go.overdrive.com/ and on Libby, the award-winning one-tap reading app from OverDrive.

Missouri Libraries 2 Go's digital collection offers thousands of ebooks and audiobooks in a variety of genres for all ages. The eReading Room concept was born from the existence of physical spaces in libraries that are designed specifically for browsing. Since then, eReading Rooms have expanded to highlight materials with certain themes or formats and for select age levels. Within Libby, eReading Rooms are called "guides" while the library's website refers to them as "collections".

Readers may browse Missouri Libraries 2 Go's digital collection, instantly borrow titles and start reading or listening for free with a valid library card. This service is compatible with all major computers and devices, including iPhone®, iPad®, Android™ devices, Windows® tablets, and Kindle® [US libraries]. All titles will automatically expire at the end of the lending period and there are no late fees. Readers can also download titles onto Libby for offline use.

To explore the group's eReading rooms of ebooks and audiobooks, visit https://molib2go.overdrive.com/ or download Libby today from Apple, Android and Windows app stores.

About Missouri Libraries 2 Go

Missouri Libraries 2 Go is a consortium of public libraries in Missouri with similar interests and users that work together with OverDrive to create a shared collection that meets the needs of their users. Founded in 2009, this consortium consists of public libraries in Missouri that serve a population of less than 100,000 users. The group is managed and facilitated by Amigos Library Services, a non-profit, 501©3 member-based organization, serving libraries and library related associations and organizations. www.amigos.org

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