

Tips for First Kindle User Group

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If you are unable to download a book or periodical even though you have a strong wireless signal ----Try restarting your Kindle by doing the following steps:

1. Press the Home Button
2. Press the Menu Button
3. Select "Settings"
4. Press the Menu Button
5. Select "Restart"

(Turning your Kindle Power button off is not the same and does not reset or restart the Kindle)

To conserve Battery life, put your Kindle to sleep, don't turn it off. It takes more power to turn it off and on than it does to let it sleep when you are not reading.

Kindle Shortcuts

Audio Shortcuts:

Text-to-Speech: Press Shift + Sym to stop or play and Spacebar to pause or resume.

Play MP3: Press Alt + Spacebar to stop or play. Press F to skip to the next track.

Browser

Shortcuts:

To reload a web page, press the Return key.

To return the zoomed-in view to normal size, press the Back button. If the view is not zoomed-in, pressing the Back button displays the previous page in your browsing history.

Home Shortcuts:

If your Home page is sorted alphabetically by either Title or Author, press a letter key and then press the 5-way to go to the first item starting with that letter.

In Home, to search for a word in all your books and periodicals: Type a word, then press Return

Global Shortcuts:

While typing, you can use the top row of the keyboard to enter numbers. From left to right, starting with Q, the letters in the top row of the keyboard represent the numbers 1 through 9. The letter P represents the number 0. To enter a number: Press and hold Alt and press a letter in the top row of the keyboard. For example, an Alt + Q type the number 1, and Alt + U types the number 7.

When typing, delete all the characters you typed: Alt + Del.

Reading Shortcuts

To tweet or share a highlight in a book: Alt + Return.

Add or remove a bookmark: Alt + B.

Add annotation: Press 5-way up or down to display a blinking cursor on the page. Move the cursor to a location on the page, and then begin typing to create a note or click to start a highlight.

In most books, to go to the beginning of the next or previous chapter, section, or article, press the 5-way controller right or left.

PDF Shortcuts:

To nudge the selection frame when a PDF document is zoomed, or when panning a zoomed document: Hold down the Shift key while using the 5-way controller to nudge up, down, left, or right.