Cal Young's AXIS 360 Digital Library



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Find Cal Young's **Magic Wall** of eBooks at http://4jcy.axis360.baker-taylor.com

Get started with Axis 360 and check out an eBook! (Jan. 13, 2014)

- 1. On your iPad, open the **green** axisReader app that is in the Books folder.
- 2. **Get to the Axis 360 library** by tapping on the **Find a Library** button on the lower right hand corner of the screen. **First time**, enter *Cal Young Middle School* in the search box, then tap the green plus sign to save it. Click on *Cal Young*...
- 3. You're at the Magic Wall. Notice the **down arrow** in the upper right corner. It gives you options to manage your account and to navigate to the Magic Wall:
 - a. Magic Wall
 - b. Browse by Subject (search fiction and nonfiction by subject area)
 - c. My Account
 - d. App Zone (axisReader is already downloaded to student iPads)
 - e. My Lists (Items on Loan, Hold Queue, Wish List)
 - f. Checkout List (Reserves items to be checked out within 15 minutes.)
 - g. Items on Loan (Items checked out.)
 - h. Hold Queue (Items being held for you.)
 - i. Wish List (Add books to this list to remember what you want to read.)
 - j. The icons on the bottom duplicate some of these choices.

4. Find a book:

- a. Browse the Magic Wall or search by keyword, title, or author.
- b. Scroll to the bottom of the screen and click the **Browse** icon to search for books within a specific subject area. (Ignore "juvenile"!)
- c. On the Magic Wall or Main Menu screens, scroll to the bottom and click **View Full Site**, the same view as laptops.
- d. On the left sidebar are **categories** created by Sam that use the subject areas of Axis 360.
- e. **Full Site** includes **Staff Picks**, organized by Sam for Cal Young classes. Click **Staff Picks** and then select the subject area on the left sidebar.
- f. Search by title, author, or keyword on **VIA**. From an iPad, the Axis360 eBooks will automatically open with axisReader when you click on the title.
- 5. Select a single eBook, and notice under *Copies* if it is checked out, and if it is available. The mobile site identifies the book as "single checkout" or "unlimited." Most fiction eBooks are single checkout; most nonfiction eBooks are unlimited.
- 6. Find out about the eBook: Notice the bar with *Details*, *Reviews*, and *Similar Titles* (in the Mobile Site view; limited to titles in our digital library.) You can read reviews and also submit your own!
- 7. Interested in the eBook?
 - a. IMPORTANT! **Select the PDF or the ePub version of the eBook,** highlighting it in blue. (For now, we're ignoring Blio.)

- b. Want to check it out but keep browsing or set a time other than 21 days? Click *Add to Checkout* List.
- c. Want to check out the book for 21 days? Click Checkout Now.
- d. Want to save the title for later? Click Add to Wish List.
- 8. If you are in the **Full Site** view on an iPad, ignore the message about Adobe Digital Editions, which only applies to newer laptops and desktops. Click on **View Mobile Site** (bottom of screen) to return to axisReader.
- 9. Enter your **Library Card ID**: CY followed by your student number (ex. CY123456). Be sure that you capitalize CY.
- 10. Enter your **PIN**: your school password

For **first time users**, a form will appear asking you again for your Library Card ID (CY+student number), PIN (your school password), Name (User: use your first and last name), Email Address (use an email address that you check regularly because the system will use it to notify you about holds.) Click **Register Now**.

You only need to go through this process once! Go ahead and log in.

- 11. When you check out a book, a bar with *Download* will appear along with a sliding bar under *Time Remaining: 21 Days*. Adjust the time period, if you wish.
- 12. Click *Download*. The book will open in **axisReader**...
- 13. The **first time you login in to axisReader,** you will be asked to create an **Adobe ID**. It's free and simple, so go ahead and enter an Adobe ID and password.

 Suggestion: use your e-mail address for your Adobe ID and your school password as your Adobe password.
- 14. To navigate **axisReader**, tap the bottom or top of the screen to get options:
 - a. Now Reading
 - b. *Contents* (for the eBook's Table of Contents, linked)
 - c. Bookmarks (to view bookmarks you have previously set)
 - d. *Info (Expiration Date*, option to **Return Item** before due date)
- 15. When **Now Reading** is active, notice the options on the upper right:
 - a. Search glass to *search* the eBook
 - b. Settings wheel (adjust brightness, orientation, night mode, fit to width)
 - c. Bookmark (For setting a *bookmark* and writing a *note*)
- 16. Options within the text (highlight, notes, etc.) seem to vary from eBook to eBook.
- 17. To **return a book early**, click *Info* and then *Return Item*.
- 18. To **return to the** *Magic Wall*, tap the top or bottom of the screen and click on *My Bookshelf* on the upper left. At the bottom of your library screen, click on *Find a Library*, and then click on *Cal Young Middle School*.
- 19. From the Magic Wall, return to your book my clicking Now Reading.

Note: To access Axis 360 on a newer computer, download *Adobe Digital Editions* (Find the *App Zone* link on the Magic Wall). It requires Mac OS X 10.8 or later, an Intel Core Duo, 512MB of RAM, 75MB on hard-disk.

Contact Sam with questions about accessing Axis 360 on other devices.

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Let's help each other in this reading adventure!

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I tried my best to satisfy everyone's needs and wants for this digital library. ~ Sam