Comics Plus

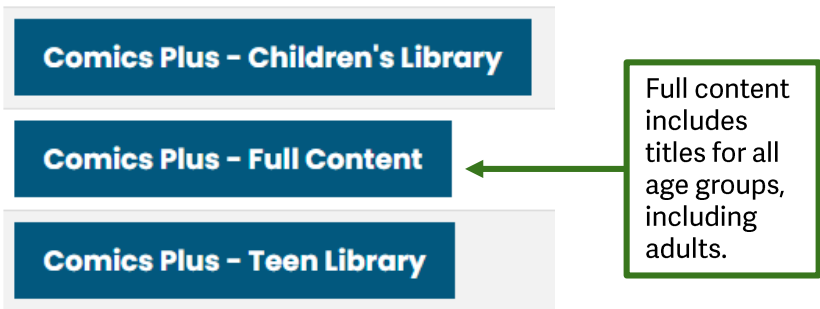## Digital comics, graphic novels, and manga

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What is Comics Plus?

Comics Plus is an online library of comics and more that you can use for free with your Lincolnwood Library card. With Comics Plus Library Pass, you have unlimited access to thousands of digital comics, graphic novels, and manga from a variety of publishers. Every title is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, on your computer, tablet, or phone – no holds or wait lists required! There are titles for children, teens, and adults, including *Blacksad*, *Lone Wolf and Cub*, *The Walking Dead*, and many more.

Accessing Comics Plus
1. Go to the library website, lincolnwoodlibrary.org
2. Hover over **Resources**. Select **Resource Quick Links.**
3. Select the Comics Plus database for the age group of content you want to view.

Comics Plus – Children's Library

Comics Plus – Full Content

Full content includes titles for all age groups, including adults.

Comics Plus – Teen Library

4. Enter your full **21242000XXXXXX** library card number in the Library ID# box with no spaces and then select **Log In**.

21242000XXXXXX

Log In

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Accessing Comics Plus collections

If you have any trouble accessing Comics Plus using the instructions on page 2, enter these link addresses in a browser.
- Children's Library - https://bit.ly/3TgzOju
- Teen Library - https://bit.ly/3Ww6J6h
- Full Content - https://bit.ly/3E3Y0RK

Downloading Comics Plus Library Pass apps

If you have any trouble finding the app, enter these link addresses into a browser to go to your app store.
- Apple iOS – https://apple.co/3U7QHOA
- Android Google Play – https://bit.ly/3DUXi9a

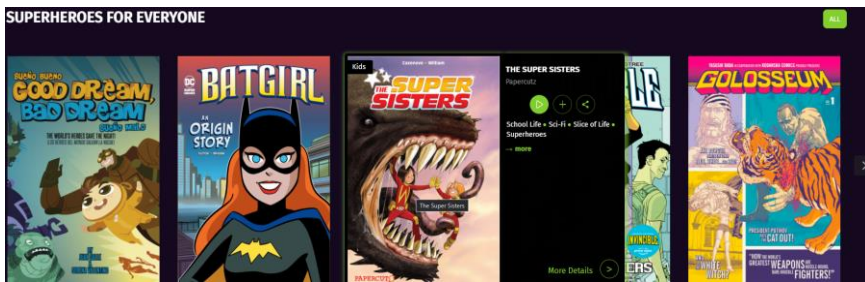## Introduction and signing in to the Library Pass app

The first time you open the app, you'll have to sign in. Once you're signed in, the app is very similar to the website, except with a ☰ menu to find some sections of Comics Plus.
- Select Get Started then Search Library. Type Lincolnwood and choose from the Children's, Teen, or Full libraries.
- Enter your full 21242000XXXXXX library card number without spaces into the Library ID# box and press below this box to dismiss your keyboard.
- Then select Login.

Comics Plus homepage

Once you've logged in, you're taken to the homepage which highlights different comics, graphic novels, and manga in different browsing sections like Superheroes for Everyone.

For more detailed instruction, book a one-on-one session with a librarian. Registration requires a Lincolnwood Library Card. For scheduling, contact Adult Services at (224) 233-1841.
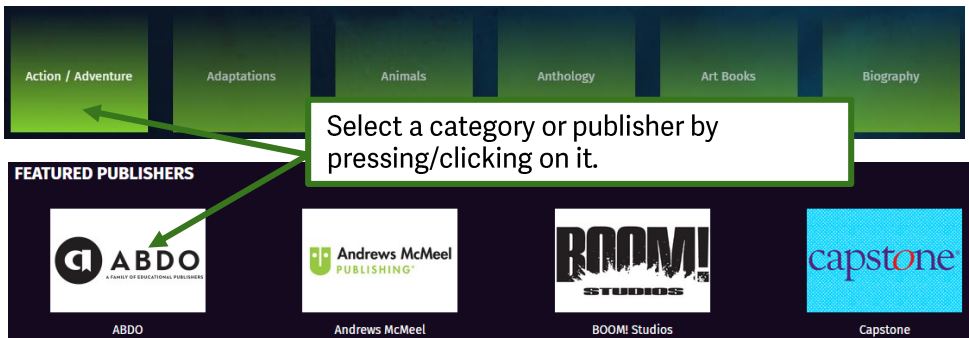
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Browse the sections and hover over titles to see a bit more about them, or select the cover or **More Details >** to see everything.

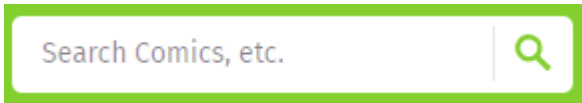## Browsing and filtering sections of Comics Plus

Pages can be filtered by **Age**, **Categories**, **Languages**, and **Publishers**. Results can be displayed A-Z, Z-A, or by **Release Date** - newest or oldest. Choose to show 15, 25, 50, or 100 results. Options appear beneath each label for your selections. Select the label of a filter to close it without selecting anything.

- **Featured** – the homepage
- **Popular** – Comics Plus' most frequently read titles
- **Just Added** – defaults to Release Date (Newest First)
- **Categories** shows an A-Z list of genre/category lists like Adaptations, Early Readers, Fantasy, Humor, Manga, etc.
- **Publishers** lists **Featured Publishers** and **All Publishers**. Once you've picked a specific publisher like *Dark Horse* or *Image Comics*, you can select **All** to filter A-Z through their titles to find a specific title.

Select a category or publisher by pressing/clicking on it.

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Searching

You can also do keyword

searches to find comics. Type what you're looking for and select the magnifying glass or hit your Enter/Return key. Searches include the same filters as other pages along with filtering by age. Age filters are for **Children**, **Kids**, **Teen**, **Young Adult**, and **Adults**. Select results to start reading!
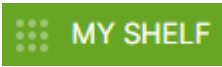
Reading items

Link button

Once you've found something you like, you have a few options to get started reading it. Click or select or hover over item covers to see reading options. The + button lets you add items to **My Shelf** for reading later. The ▷ button starts reading that title immediately. You can also share an item with the link button. Instead of **Stream Now**, **Download Now** works best on mobile devices. Once you've started reading click or select the page:
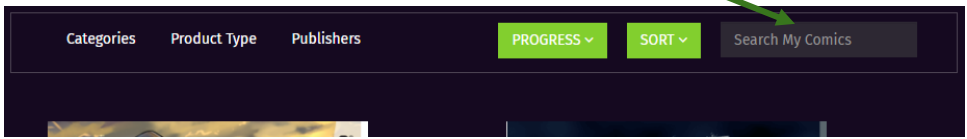
- Esc or tap on your screen – shows the menu of tools
- ◀ ▶ keys < > buttons - next/previous page
- Enter/spacebar – next page
- X / Done – exit the item to go back to your shelf

The tools menu contains additional functions like skipping to a certain page, zooming in/out, and choosing the number of pages. Some titles may organize pages right to left in the manga style.
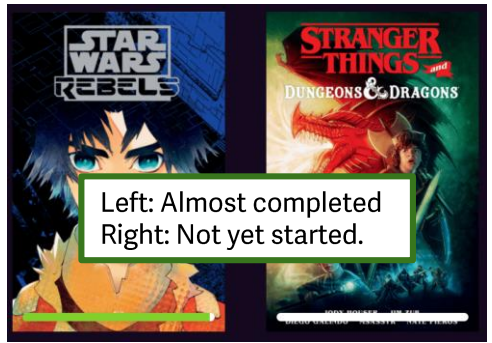
My Shelf

Once you've started reading a title now or used the + button to add something, titles appear on **My Shelf**. They can be filtered by the same Categories and Publishers along with product types (for example graphic novels or art books), and your progress. You can sort by A-Z/Z-A, item release date, or the date you borrowed something. You can also keyword search titles.

The shelf shows your progress through titles with a green progress bar at the bottom of cover images.

Remove items from **My Shelf** after you're done with them by hovering over their shelf listing and selecting the **–** button.

Left: Almost completed
Right: Not yet started.

Tips for the Comics Plus Library Pass for mobile devices

Manga, comics, and graphic novels are best on the largest comfortable screens you have for their beautiful artwork. Especially for very detailed art, items can be very large.

If you are not on a fast Internet connection, the **Stream Now** option may not work. To make sure you have the best reading experience with no problems, choose the **Download Now** option. This is just like downloading a movie or TV show episode for offline viewing while you're traveling. As soon as you select **Download Now**, the button updates with the progress of the file. Once it has finished downloading, go to **My Shelf**, select **On Device**, select the title, and then select **Read Now** to read the downloaded item.

Teen

DOWNLOADING (38%)

STREAM NOW

Featured   Popular   My Shelf   Settings

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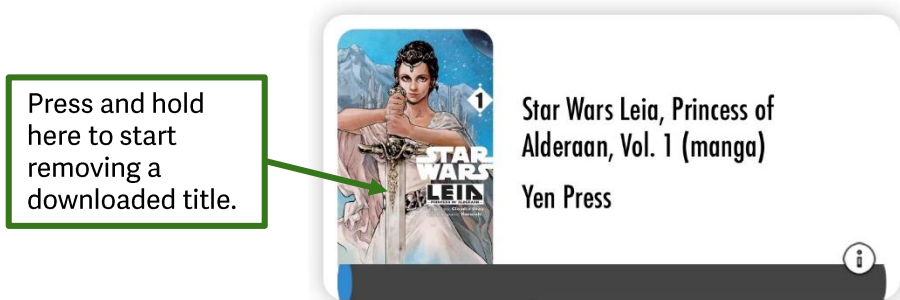
Remove downloaded titles from mobile devices

You can free up storage space on your device for different graphic novels or any other content by removing downloaded Comics Plus content after you've finished reading it.

- Go to **My Shelf**.
- Press and hold a finger on the cover of an item you want to remove.
- Select **Remove** from the menu that appears.
- And select **OK** to confirm that you're sure you want to remove the item, or hit **Cancel** if you've changed your mind.

My Comics

Press and hold here to start removing a downloaded title.

Star Wars Leia, Princess of Alderaan, Vol. 1 (manga)

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Star Wars Leia, Princess of Alderaan, Vol. 1 (manga)

READ NOW

REMOVE

Press Remove, and then OK on the next screen (not pictured)

Discover the story of how Leia Organa comes to join the Rebellion against the evil Empire. A young Princess Leia spends her days
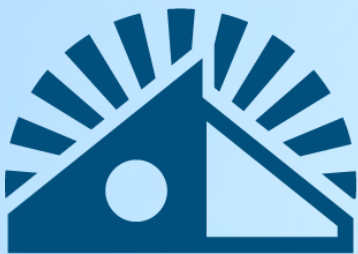
Logging out and accounts

If you need to log out:

- Computers – Go to **Account** and then select **Logout**
- Mobile devices – Go to **Settings** and then select **Logout**

You can use the Account/Settings menu to check Library card number which is useful for parents supervising children.

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