How to add Readables

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How to add Books to your Readables

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1. Navigate to your dashboard
2. Select the ‘Add Book’ icon on the ‘Books Read’ widget.
   - This can also be done from the ‘My Readables’ menu.
3. Type in the ISBN number associated with your book.
   - You can find your ISBN code either on the back of your book or on the first few pages with additional printing and copyright information. It is also possible to find the ISBN by searching the book on Amazon and looking at the ‘Product Details’
4. Select the Status and Reading Activity applicable to the readable.
   - Additionally, you can select what bookshelves you would like the readable to display on, favorite status, tags, cover color, and notes under the Additional Settings menu.
5. Select ‘Add it!’ to add the book to your Readables list.
   - If you would like to immediately add another readable in this form, you can select “Add it & Add Another’ to submit the current readable and be brought back to the submission screen.

Alternatively, if you wish to add several books at once, select the ‘Bulk Mode’ button in the top right when on the Add Books menu.

1. In the bulk mode, enter the ISBNs of the books you wish to add on separate lines of the text field.
2. Select the Status and Reading Activity that will be applied to all readables entered.
   - Additionally, you can select what bookshelves you would like the readables to display on, tags, favorite status, and cover color for all readables in the bulk upload under the Additional Settings menu.
3. Select ‘Add it!’ to add them to your Readables list.

Once the books have been added to our system, they will appear in your Readables list! Occasionally, some books require more information and will take longer to appear in your Readables list.

How to add Lots of Physical Books to your Readables via Barcodes

If you have lots of physical books and your books have barcodes you can use a barcode scanner to add them!

While many different barcode scanners may work, the Booktower team has tested with the Tera Barcode Scanner which works on both Windows & Linux and is available for $30 USD at the time of writing this.

Once you have your scanner, you can connect the provided wireless adapter to your computer (for the Terra Scanner the wireless adapter is in the bottom of the handle) and use it to more easily add books via the Bulk Mode.

Just open the bulk mode, make sure to click inside the text field, and scan away! We recommend checking your screen and submitting the list every so often, just in case something goes wrong and your submission doesn't go through.

If you've used another easily purchasable scanner with Booktower and it worked, let us know! We hope to create a list of working scanners on this page.

How to add a Digital Readable to your Readables

Digital Readables are readables that you read via a website or app, like fan fiction or web comics. Click here to see a list of sites that we support.

https://www.youtube.com/embed/ennv_HEcOcg

1. Navigate to your dashboard
2. Select the ‘Add Digital Readable’ button on the ‘Fanfictions Read’, ‘Webcomics Read’, or ‘Add Webnovel’ widget.
   - This can also be done from the ‘My Readables’ menu.
3. Enter the URL of the desired Fanfiction or Web Comic into the URL field
4. Select the Status and Reading Activity applicable to the readable.
   - Additionally, you can select what bookshelves you would like the readable to display on, favorite status, tags, cover color, and notes under the Additional Settings menu.
5. Select ‘Add it!’ to add the readable to your Readables list.
   - If you would like to immediately add another readable in this form, you can select “Add it & Add Another’ to submit the current readable and be brought back to the submission screen.

Alternatively, if you wish to add several Readables at once, select the ‘Bulk Mode’ button in the top right when on the Add Digital Readable menu.

1. In the bulk mode, enter the URLs of the digital readables you wish to add on separate lines of the text field.
2. Select the Status and Reading Activity that will be applied to all readables entered.
   - Additionally, you can select what bookshelves you would like the readables to display on, tags, favorite status, and cover color for all readables in the bulk upload under the Additional Settings menu.
3. Select ‘Add it!!’ to add them to your Readables list.

Once the Digital Readables have been added to our system, they will appear in your Readables list! Occasionally, some readables may take longer to appear in your Readables list. You can continue adding more while you wait.

Integrated Digital Readable Sources

On Booktower, you can add *almost* any link to your library! However, there are some links where we'll be able to automatically pull the information for you.

Below, you'll find a list of sites where we can automatically pull information along with the URL structures we expect for them.

Automated Fan Fiction Websites

Service	Example URLs
Archive of Our Own	https://archiveofourown.org/works/50704222 https://archiveofourown.gay/works/50704222 https://archiveofourown.org/works/58400401/chapters/148751329 https://archiveofourown.gay/works/58400401/chapters/148751329
Fanfiction.net	https://www.fanfiction.net/s/14431947 https://www.fanfiction.net/s/14431947/1/Unexpected-Dramione https://m.fanfiction.net/s/14431947/1/Unexpected-Dramione
Wattpad	https://www.wattpad.com/story/250918559-y-n-fujioka-haruhi-fujioka%27s-sister

Automated Web Comic Websites

Service	Example URLs

Tapas	https://tapas.io/series/silly-little-abella/info https://m.tapas.io/series/silly-little-abella/info
Webtoons	https://www.webtoons.com/en/fantasy/nothing-special/list?title_no=1188 https://m.webtoons.com/en/fantasy/nothing-special/list?title_no=1188 https://www.webtoons.com/en/canvas/crow-time/list?title_no=693372 https://m.webtoons.com/en/canvas/crow-time/list?title_no=693372

Automated Web Novel Websites

Service	**Example URLs**
Tapas	https://tapas.io/series/the-villainess-turns-the-hourglass-novel/info https://m.tapas.io/series/the-villainess-turns-the-hourglass-novel/info
Wattpad	https://www.wattpad.com/story/281935161-raising-a-hero

Import Your Ao3 Work History or Bookmarks

This Community Guide was created by Rowan, a Booktower Librarian!

We don't provide official support for it but you can ask other readers for help in the Booktower Discord if you get stuck.

Required Tools

- A Computer (not a mobile device/tablet)
- Flamebyrd's AO3 Works List CSV Bookmarklet
- Some spreadsheet software (LibreOffice Calc, Excel, Google Sheets, etc)

Steps

1. Install the bookmarklet and add it to your bookmarks bar.
2. Make sure you're logged into AO3 and have access to your work history and/or bookmarks.
3. Go to your history/bookmarks and click on the bookmark that you added in step 1.
   - This will download a spreadsheet of that page's fics.
   - You have to do this for each page of your Bookmarks/History.
4. Open each spreadsheet in your spreadsheet software.
5. Copy the column that has the links in it.
6. Paste the links into Booktower's Bulk Digital Readable form.

Video of Bookmarklet Installation

https://www.youtube.com/embed/7sNOC0T5W_A

How to Edit Readables

https://www.youtube.com/embed/NBBig3FA2s4

1. Navigate to your dashboard
2. Select the My menu and select ‘Readables’ the option on the dropdown.
3. Search for the Readable you wish to edit.
4. Open the Readable's details page by clicking on the readable’s name or the pencil icon.
5. Edit the desired customization option
6. Your favorited Readables will now show with a gold star in the Readables menu as well as on your shelves.

Alternatively, you can get to a Readable’s info directly on the shelves.

1. Navigate to the shelf with the desired Readable you wish to edit.
2. Select the Readable.
3. Select the 'More Details' button
4. Edit the readable as desired.

How to Add Reading Activity

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1. Navigate to your dashboard
2. Select the My menu and select ‘Readables’ the option on the dropdown.
3. Search for the Readable you wish to add Reading Activity to.
4. Open the Readable's details page by clicking on the readable’s name or the pencil icon.
5. Select Activity.
6. Enter the information for your Reading Activity.
7. Select ‘Update Reading Activity’ to submit.

Alternatively, you can get to a Readable’s info directly on the shelves.

1. Navigate to the shelf with the desired Readable you wish to add Reading Activity to.
2. Open the Readable's details page by clicking on the readable’s name or the pencil icon.
3. Select the 'Activity' tab.
4. Add the Reading Activity.