



# WPL MATTERS

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## WELCOME TO OUR NEW YA LIBRARIAN



Our new Young Adult Librarian has been hard at work (from home!), creating digital content and an Instagram page for WPL's teen and tween patrons. Give us a follow at <https://www.instagram.com/wpl.teens/> You'll find recommendations of YA books, magazines, and audiobooks, all accessible from our virtual library. And check out the April Reading Challenge for teens! We want to see what you're reading, so encourage your teen or tween to tag us on Instagram @wpl.teens

Greetings! My name is Sionna, pronounced See-oh!-na. I'm named after a character in a book which makes working in a library almost seem like fate. As the new Young Adult Librarian at WPL, there is so much I'm looking forward to. I'll be creating more programming and services for young adults, and expanding the volunteer program. One thing I am eager to share right away is our new, teen-focused Instagram account. I'm hopeful that it will be a useful and enjoyable way to interact.

I am originally from California, near Sacramento, so driving in the snow around here has definitely been an experience. The snow has been a perfect excuse for me to crochet and read more, two of my favorite activities. My last great read was *The House in the Cerulean Sea* by TJ Klune and some other authors I really like are Leigh Bardugo, Ilona Andrews, Tamora Pierce, and Penny Reid.

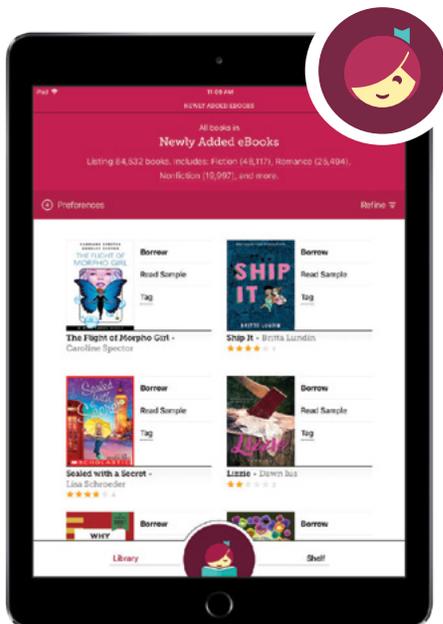
I have high hopes for warmer weather, though, as I enjoy hiking and want to check out Dunes National Park. I love exploring new places, so I'm excited to have new places to check out. My excitement for exploring and traveling began while I studied abroad in Japan. While I was on that side of the world, I was even able to visit South Korea. Seeing these places sparked my joy for travel. Hopefully, one day I'll be able to visit other American states and even more countries. For now, there is still so much close to home I cannot wait to explore, and of course I'm always open to suggestions, so, when you see me around, please don't hesitate to introduce yourself and recommend some of your favorite places to visit.

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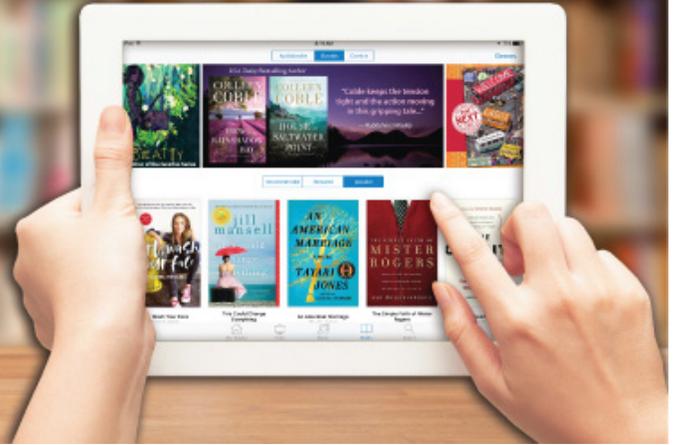
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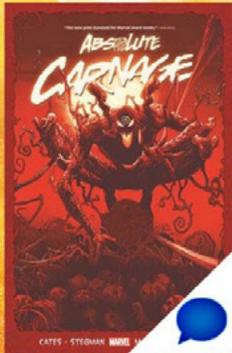
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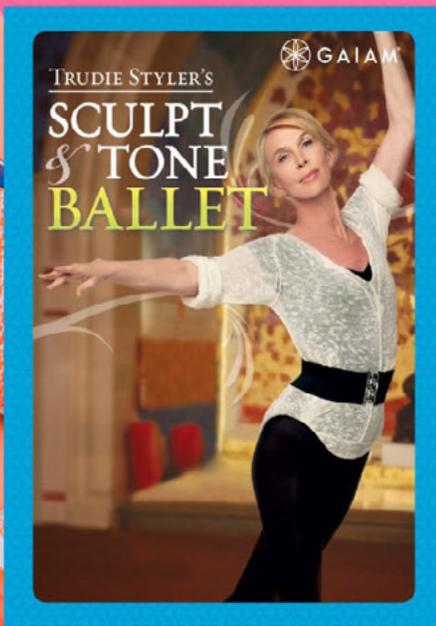


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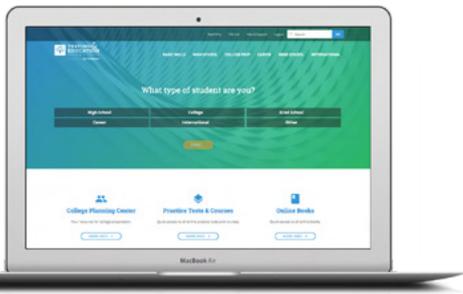
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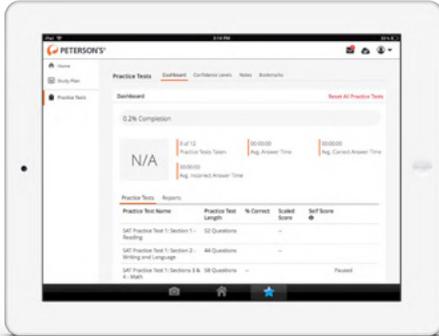
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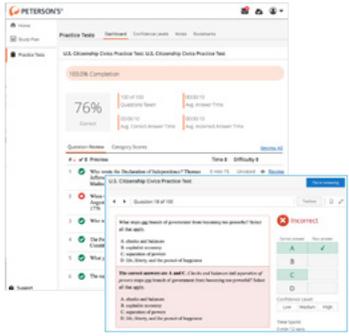
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### SEARCHING FOR SCHOLARSHIPS

Help fund your education with *Testing & Education Reference Center's* scholarship searches. Use the **College Prep** or **Grad School** menus to access undergraduate and graduate level tools. Search for awards by keyword, or answer questions about yourself to match available scholarships to your interests and qualifications. Explore each award's description, value, requirements, and contacts so that you can begin the application process.

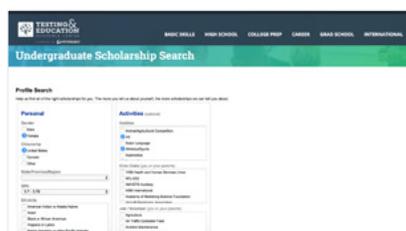
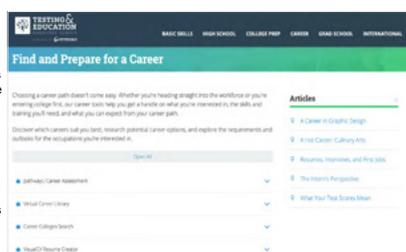
### MASTERING BASIC SKILLS

*Testing & Education Reference Center's* interactive tutorials and quizzes teach reading comprehension, sentence skills, writing, and math. Whether you are an English language learner, student, or adult looking to brush up on your skills, use these tools to review fundamental concepts in a straightforward format.

### PREPARING FOR A CAREER

If you are looking for a career, *Testing & Education Reference Center* offers a variety of prep tools to help.

- pathwayU Career Assessment:** Determines possible career paths based on your interests and values, and provides career overviews. This tool also allows you to complete career activities and learn more about key professional processes. It is available if your library subscribes to the *Career Module*.
- Virtual Career Library:** Guides you through the career seeking process with individual modules covering searching for jobs, preparing resumes and cover letters, interviewing, and more.
- VisualCV Resume Creator:** Creates a professional resume that outlines your qualifications, skills, and accomplishments.

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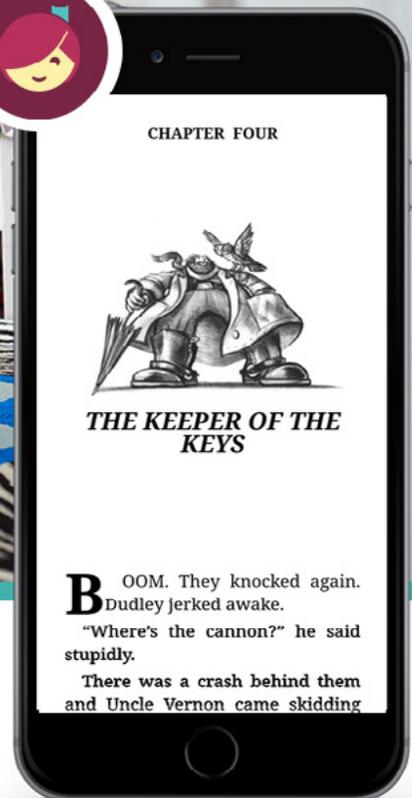
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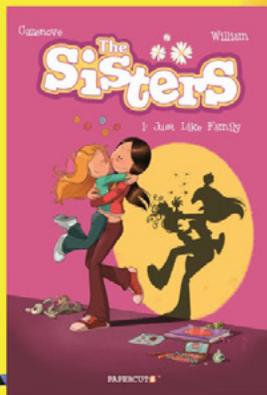
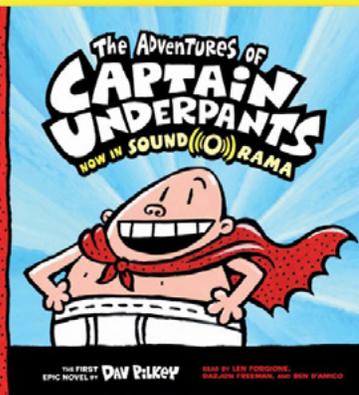
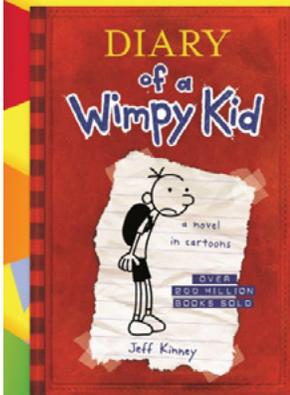
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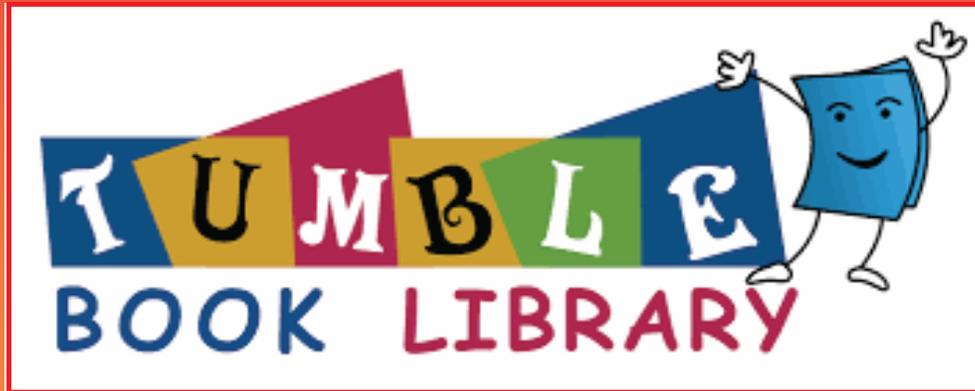
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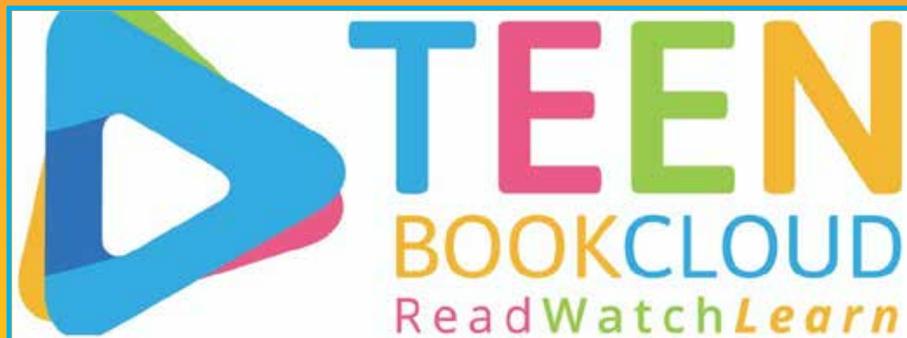
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# National Poetry Month

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## Haiku Challenge April 1 – April 30

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In celebration of National Poetry Month, we'd like to encourage you to do a little writing with us. Every morning, we will post a new prompt for you to write a haiku.

**Haiku are very short: just 3 lines.**

*The first line should be 5 syllables long,  
the second line should be 7 syllables,  
and the third line is 5 syllables again.*

If you write something, we'd love to see it! You can share your haiku in the comments of the prompt post each day.

Our poetry celebration is for all ages and abilities. At the end of the month, one participant will be chosen at random to receive a digital, \$25 Instacart gift certificate. We will contact the winner on May 1 to get their contact information.