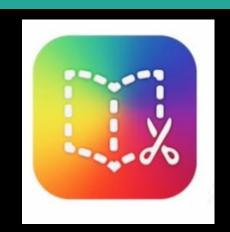
Book Creator



An iPad App used in conjunction with the online App for teacher and student individual or collaborative projects.

Overview of Book Creator

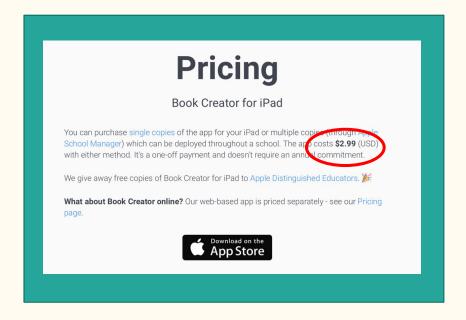
- Launched in 2011 from Bristol, UK as an iPad App.
- In 2017 the online version launched and is available at:

https://bookcreator.com.

- Works on devices that can use the Safari or Chrome browser-Chromebooks, Windows laptops/PCs, Apple Devices (iPads, MacBooks, iMacs) & other handheld devices like Chrome tablets, Android tablets, or Surface tablets.
- Every month more than 2 million books are made by students and teachers.
- An application where one can:
 - Create (combine text, audio, drawings, photos, and more), read (to you in multiple languages, with highlighting, and page turning), and publish (share online, download as ePub file or PDF) books.
 - Construct collaborative student book projects (only online; currently iPad App does not allow teachers to create a library and invite students to collaborate on a project but students can save books created on their iPad then upload online).



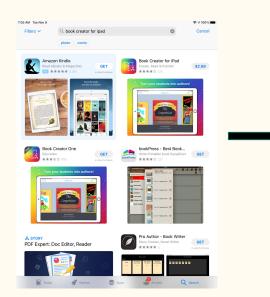
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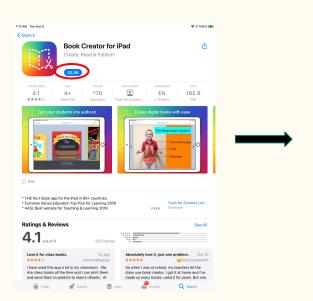
How do I Get the Book Creator iPad App?



How to Purchase Book Creator iPad App



Go to the App Store on your iPad and search for "Book Creator" and tap "Book Creator for iPad".

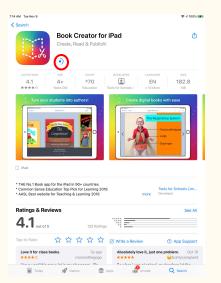


Tap on the blue oval (2.99) (see red circle).

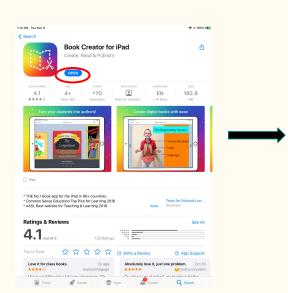


Pay for the App.

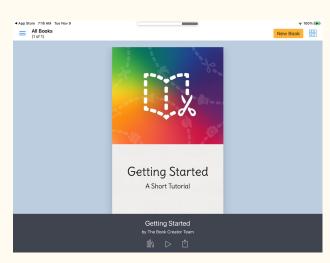
Book Creator iPad App



Once you pay, the App will download (see red circle to indicate downloading).

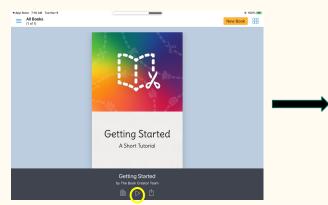


Tap on the blue oval "Open" (see red circle).

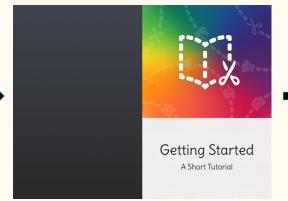


Upon opening, users are presented with a book "Getting Started: A Short Tutorial" as an introduction to the application.

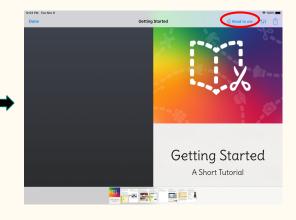
iPad Book Creator App: "Getting Started: A Short Tutorial"



To read any book, including this tutorial, tap on the triangle located in the bottom tray in the middle (*see* yellow circle).

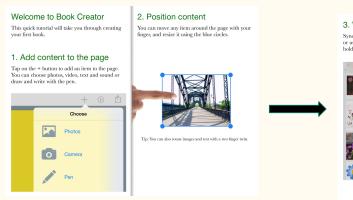


The book is now open and ready to read. Slide your fingers to the left, like turning the pages of a book, to see the next pages.



If you tap the top right corner of the screen, a "read to me option" appears (*see* red circle) which you can tap and Siri will read the book aloud.

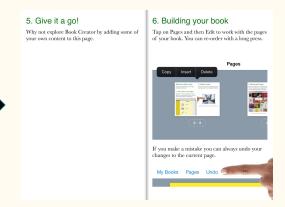
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Pages 1 & 2: How to add and position content.

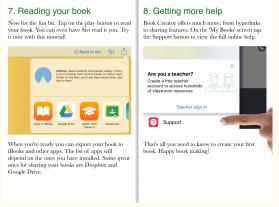


Pages 3 & 4: Working with images and using the inspector ("i") tool.

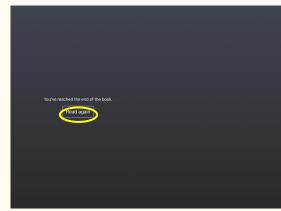


Pages 5 & 6: A place to try out the features and how to build your own book.

iPad Book Creator App: "Getting Started: A Short Tutorial"



Pages 7 & 8: Reading your book and where to find additional help.



Once you reach the end of this or any other book in the App this is what the screen looks like. You have the option to tap "read again" (*see* yellow circle) for this or any book.

Since Collaboration Requires an Online Account-How to sign up/in?



How to Sign Up Online?

Go to your browser (Safari, Google Chrome, or Microsoft Edge) then type in

https://bookcreator.com.



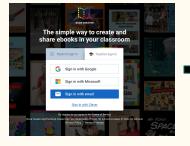
Book Creator Homepage

Online Sign-Up Steps:

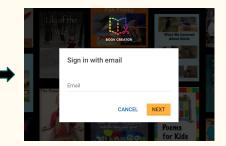


Click on yellow box: "Create a free account" (see red circle).



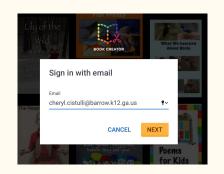


Can sign up/in as a student or teacher using Google, Microsoft, or a QR code.

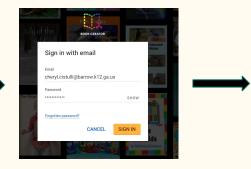


Here, email is used.

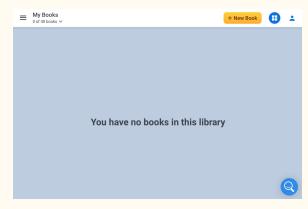
Online Sign-Up Steps:



Enter teacher or student email address.



Enter password and click sign up or sign in.



Here, a teacher signed in and has no books in their library.

Online Sign-Up Steps:



Click on the 3 horizontal bars in the top left (see red circle).

This screen appears. Here, a teacher signed in and already has one book in one of their two libraries.

Online Book Creator App Cost



\$0 for 1 library and 40 books.

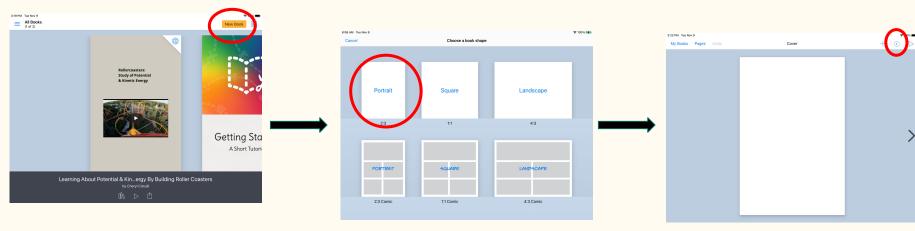
\$10 per teacher per month for unlimited libraries (each can store 200 books), 1000 books, real-time collaboration, support for co-teachers, analytics maps (where your books have been read), in-app chat support, and discounts available for five or more teachers.

Contact sales or get an instant quote for plans for schools and districts. 1000 books plan for every teacher, Admin dashboard to manage licenses, LMS, Clever, and ClassLink integrations, custom professional development, and account management.

Let's Make a Book!



Steps to Create a Book

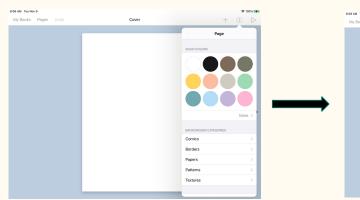


Open the Book Creator App on your iPad and tap "new book" on the top right side of the screen (see red circle).

Tap on the book style you want. This teacher selected "portrait" (see red circle).

Tap on the "i" (inspector tool)(see red circle).

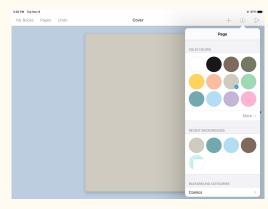
Steps to Create a Book: Background Color and Patterns



You can select a background color (tap "more" to select more colors). You can also pick background categories including comics, borders, papers, patterns, and textures.

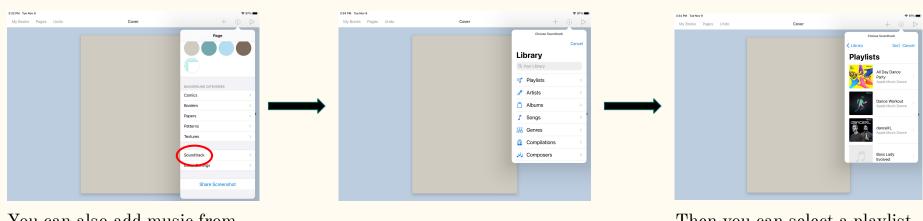


For example, look at all of the choices under "comics."



This teacher selected a beige for their page color.

Steps to Create a Book: Adding Music

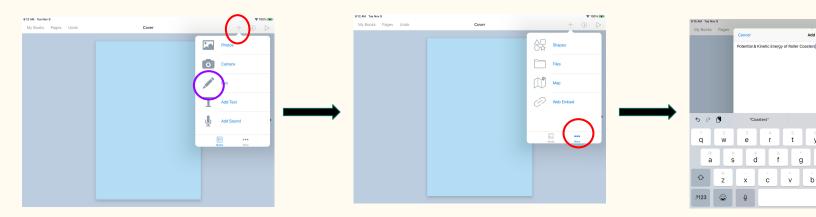


You can also add music from your iTunes App. Tap on "soundtrack" (see red circle).

You library will appear.

Then you can select a playlist and add in a song.

Steps to Create a Book: Adding Content

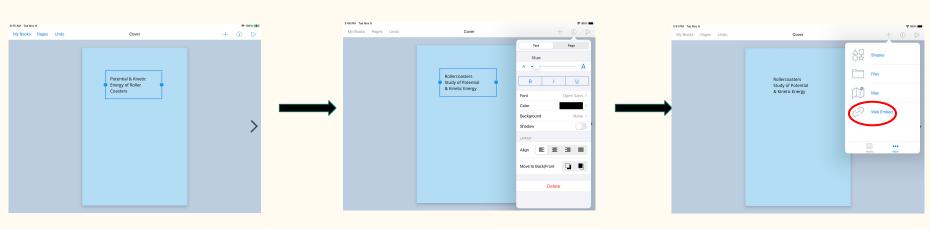


Here, the teacher changes the background to a light blue. Now tap on the "plus sign" in the top right corner to see available tools (*see* red circle).

Tap on the "more" icon with 3 dots to access additional tools (see red circle).

The teacher is adding a title by tapping on the pencil icon (see purple circle on 1st image on this slide). Then tap done (see red circle).

Steps to Create a Book: Front Cover Title



The book title appears.

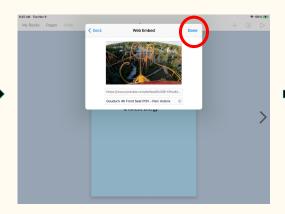
As long as the text box is selected, you can tap on the "i" in the top right corner and change font size, color, background, and shadow.

The teacher wants to add a video to the cover. Tap on "web embed" (see red circle).

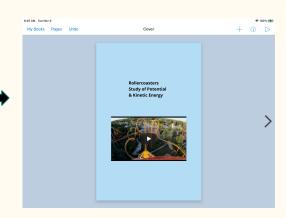
Steps to Create a Book: Embedding Video on Book Cover



Type the web address of the video if you do not know the embed code for the video.

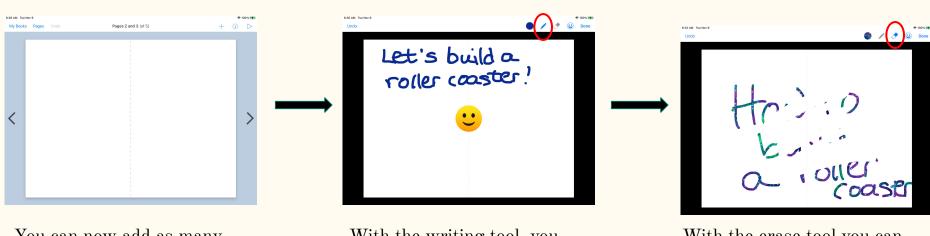


Here, a video of a roller coaster- the Goudrix- is added. Tap "done" (see red circle).



The video is now embedded into the book.

Steps to Create a Book: Adding Pages and Content

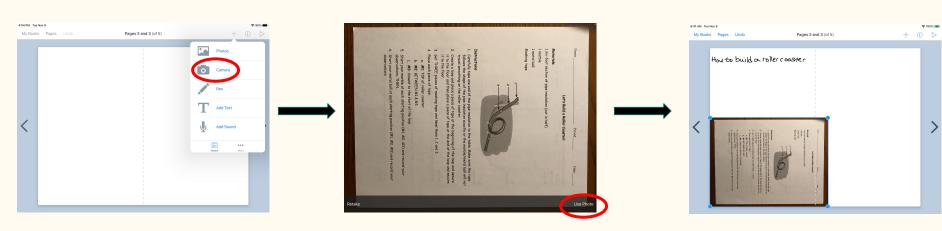


You can now add as many pages as you want (creators coded in 9,999 pages per book). Here are pages 2 & 3 (front cover counts as page 1).

With the writing tool, you can write instead of type your text (see red circle).

With the erase tool you can erase everything you wrote and start over (*see* red circle).

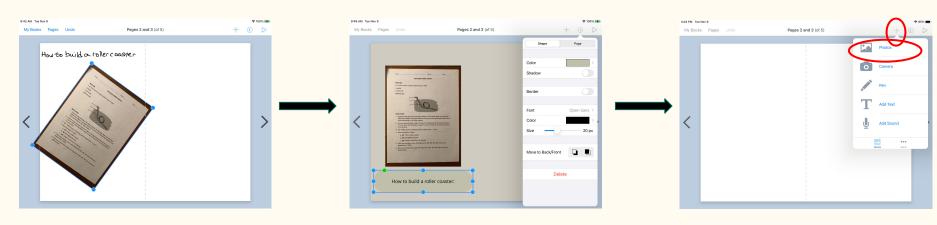
Steps to Create a Book: Adding a Photo in Real-Time



Tap on the "i" and then tap on the camera icon (see red circle). Take a photo and select "use photo" on the bottom right corner (see red circle).

The photo will automatically upload onto your book page.

Steps to Create a Book: Adding a Photo

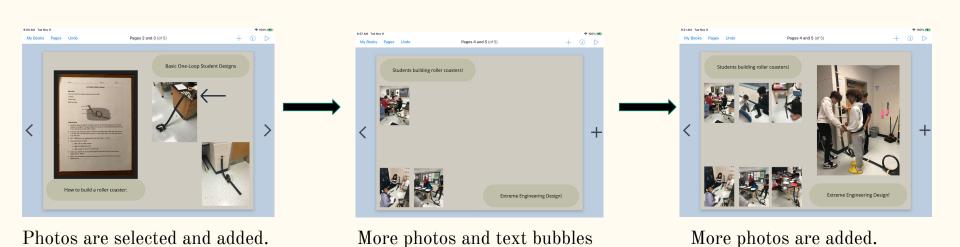


Tap on the photo and now you can move it into place.

Here, a shape is added and text is added inside the shape by double-tapping the shape. Additional photos from your computer can be added by tapping the "+" in the top right corner and then tapping "photos" (see red circles).

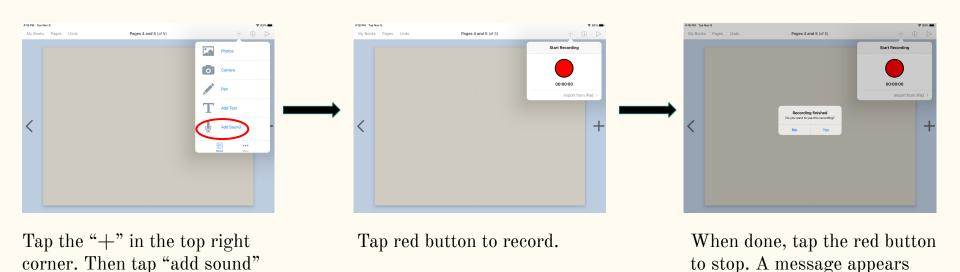
Steps to Create a Book: Adding Photos from iPad

are added.



Steps to Create a Book: Adding Voice

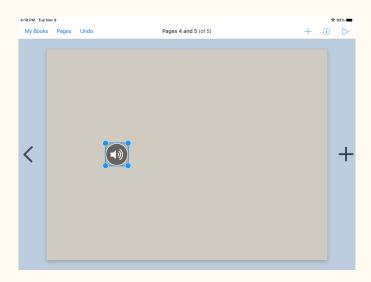
(see red circle).



asking if you want to use this

recording. Tap "yes."

Steps to Create a Book: Adding Voice



The recording appears as a speaker icon. If you tap on the icon, you will hear the recording.

The Finished Book



Here is a short 5 page book:

Front cover.



Pages 4 & 5. Notice the speaker

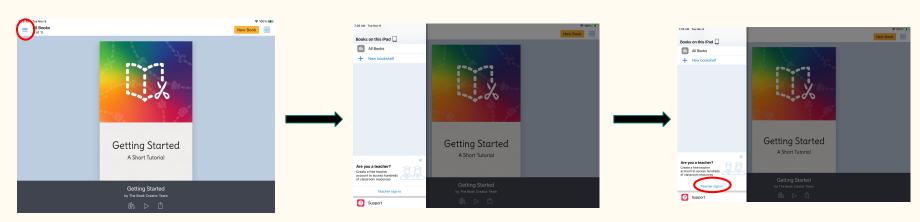
icon in the middle of page 4.

Pages 2 & 3.

Teacher Resources



How do I access Teacher Resources in the iPad App?

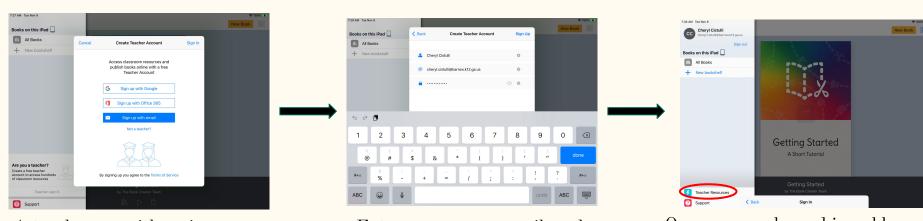


Once you open the iPad App, tap on the 3 horizontal bars in the top of the screen (see red circle).

A panel comes out from the left side of the screen.

If you are teacher, then tap on the "teacher sign in" (see red circle) and create a free teacher account.

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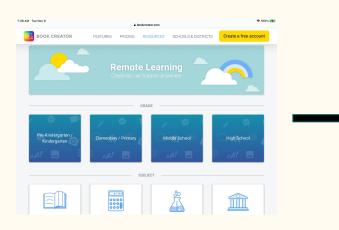


A teacher can either sign up through Google, Microsoft, or email. This teacher tapped "sign in with email".

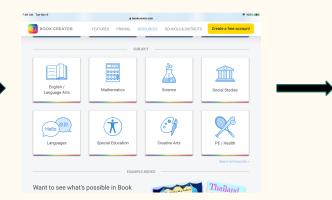
Enter your name, email, and password. Then, tap "done" on the keyboard.

Once you are logged in, a blue square with a lightning bolt appears in the bottom left corner (*see* red circle).

How do I access Teacher Resources in the iPad App?



Tapping the blue box with the lightning bolt takes teachers to the online App.

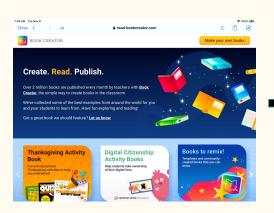


Scroll down the page to see all sorts of resources including content for different subjects like science and languages.

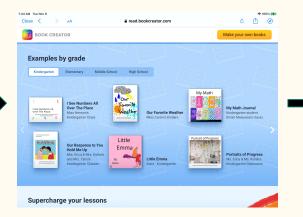


Scroll down more and you can tap on "browse book examples" (see red circle).

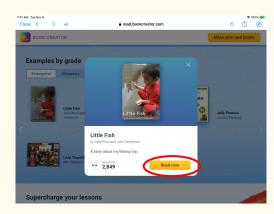
Teacher Resources: Example Books



You can tap on specific book types like "Thanksgiving Activity Book" or "Digital Citizenship Activity Books" and many more by swiping right.

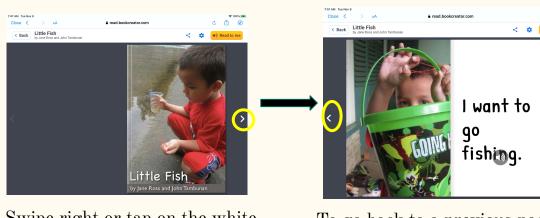


You can view books by grade level created by students and teachers.



For example, I selected kindergarten, and tapped on the 1st book listed called "Little Fish." Tap on "read now" (see red circle) to read the book.

Teacher Resources: Example Books



Swipe right or tap on the white "greater than sign" (see yellow circle) to turn to the next page.

To go back to a previous page, you can swipe left or tap the white "less than sign" (see yellow circle).

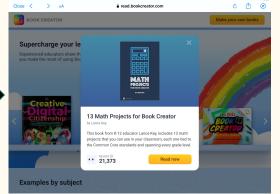


In this book, notice the speaker icon (see red circle). You can add recordings to your books and here, the child is reading this page.

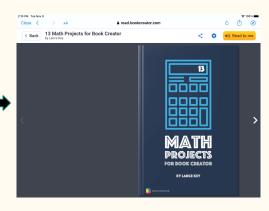
Teacher Resources: Tips, Ideas, Resources from other Teachers



You can tap on any of the books like "The Big Book Creator" or "Math Projects" to access content. There are numerous books to access either by swiping or tapping on the white less than and greater than signs (see red circles).



I selected "Math Projects" and tapped "read now."



The book is now ready to read. Swipe to the left to start reading.

Teacher Resources: Tips, Ideas, Resources from other Teachers



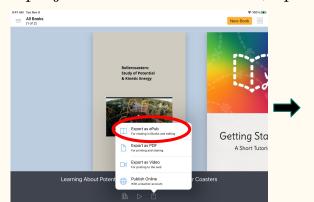
This book has an interactive table of contents allowing the reader to select a topic and go directly to that section of the book. I chose chapter 8: The Inequality Story.

This is from chapter 1. Notice the speaker icon; the author includes counting by kindergarten students.

How Else Can You Use the Application?



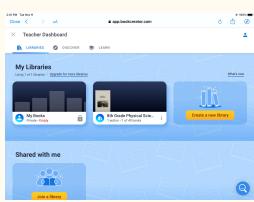
The iPad App does not allow a teacher to create a library & invite students to join for a collaborative book project but if the teacher has on online account, then they can export a book project created on the iPad, upload to their online account, and then share with students.



Locate the book on your iPad App you want to upload to your online library and tap "export as ePub" (see red circle).

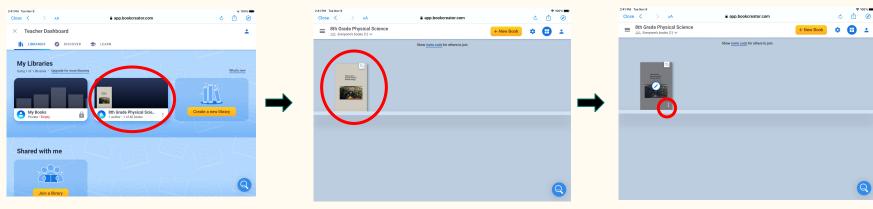


Login online at www.bookcreator.com and you can create a new library (see red circle).



Upload the ePub file into your new library. Here a book "Roller Coasters" is uploaded to a new 8th grade Physical Science Library.

Once the book is uploaded to your library, you can share your library and give students access to the all of the books in the library. They can create their own books or collaborate on a class project. So many possibilities for creativity and learning.

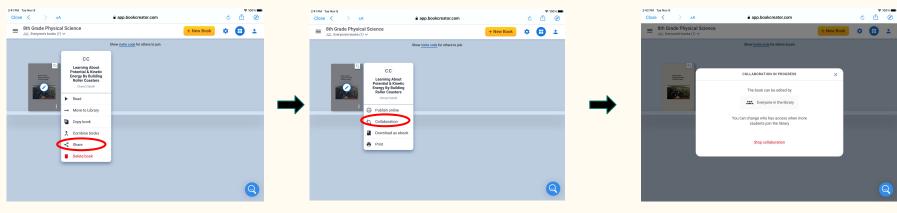


Tap on the library to access the book (see red circle).

Tap on the book you want to make "collaborative" (see red circle).

Tap on the 3 white dots on the bottom right corner of the book (*see* red circle).

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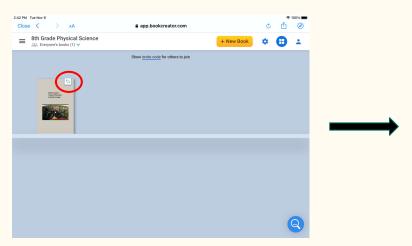


Tap on the "share" icon (see red circle).

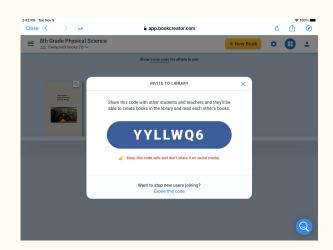
Tap on the "collaboration: icon (see red circle).

Students invited to this library can edit the book.

Once the book is open for collaboration, invite your students to access the shared library.



Go back to the library and a "collaboration" icon appears on the top right corner of the book (see red circle).



Students use this code to access your shared library and book.

Integrate it into Canvas:

- Book Creator can be integrated into Canvas allowing it to be easily launched by a student from a Canvas Assignment or a Module.
- Students and teachers can launch Book Creator straight from Canvas without needing to create any accounts.
- Caveat: The school or district must have a subscription to Book Creator, and your Canvas administrator must add Book Creator as an app.



Can Publish Your Book Online:



- The best way to share a book you create with parents, teachers, and students is to publish it online.
- You will receive a link to a read-only version that allows individuals you shared the link with to turn pages, play audio and video, and click on any of the hyperlinks.
- You can make the book private (only those with the link can read it) or public (searchable on Google).
- You can also choose if you want other people to be able to download your book and edit it for their own purposes.

Items for Consideration:

- No native iPhone or Android application- the screen size is too small.
- For Book Creator to display, the screen size needs to be wider than 600px and/or higher than 570px, which means it will also not work on some smaller tablets.
- Book Creator can only be used on Google Chrome, Safari & Microsoft Edge. It does not work on Internet Explorer or Mozilla Firefox.
- You can only import Book Creator made books into Book Creator. This means no PDFs, WORD, Google Docs or other file types including ePub files from other Apps such as Apple Pages or iBooks Author.
- Student collaborations cannot be done on an iPad. A book can be created on an iPad then the ePub file can be uploaded to the online Book Creator App into a shareable library. You can then invite students to collaborate.

Ready, Set, Go and Enjoy the Magic of Creating & Sharing Books!

