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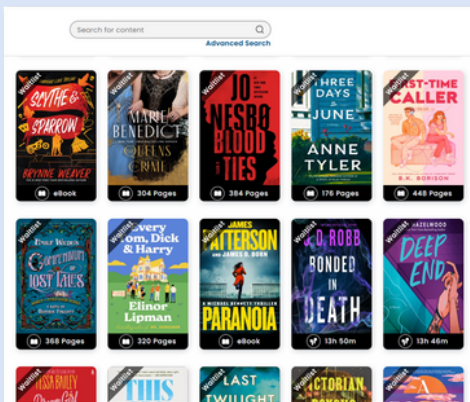
April 2025

RAILS

EREAD ILLINOIS

- Popular materials collection hosted on Baker & Taylor's Boundless platform
- FY25 Membership: Academic: 31; Public: 288; School: 571 (buildings); Special: 5
- 100% of membership fees goes to the shared collection

What's new?
- Refreshed marketing materials
- Currently in our renewal period

EREAD ILLINOIS COLLECTION HIGHIGHTS

- 78,800+ e-books and audiobooks in the shared collection
  - Popular, in-demand titles
  - Weekly orders, low holds ratio
  - Accept requests and suggestions from members
  - Libraries can customize Boundless homepage, schools can scope to specific audiences/age

- Some Collection Stats
  - 477,700+ circulations in 2024
  - K-12 audience: 29,356 items (22,347 ebooks, 7,009 audio)
  - 5,000+ simultaneous use items
  - 5,908 items in Spanish (added 1,000+ titles in the last year)

TOP CIRCULATING TITLES OF 2024

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INKIE.ORG LIBRARY

- A collection of simultaneous use e-content hosted on the BiblioBoard platform
- Available to everyone in Illinois at no cost, no library card required
- Focus on Illinois and Illinois creators
  - Indie Illinois
  - RAILS Community Collections
  - Over 300 Arcadia titles about Illinois

INKIE.ORG

- A suite of self-publishing tools and resources
  - Pressbooks software to create e-book files
  - Pipeline for inclusion in the BiblioBoard/Inkie.org Library
- Available to everyone in Illinois at no cost, no library card required

What's new?
- 20,000+ views in 2024
- 515 e-books created via Pressbooks since October 2019
- 818 e-books submitted to the Indie Author Project (IAP) since 2014, 67 of those titles accepted to IAP Select

LINKS

- ereadillinois.com
- illinois.bibiloboard.com
- inkie.org
- railslibraries.info/issues/170353

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