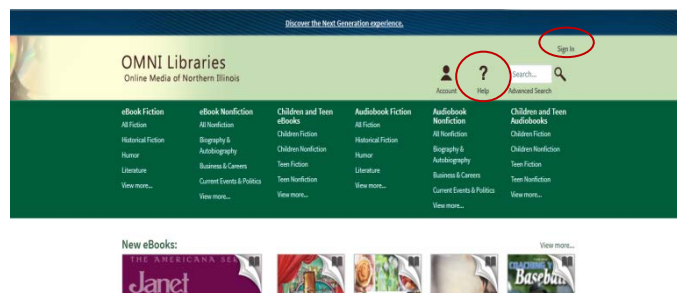# Downloading eBooks from Overdrive with an eReader

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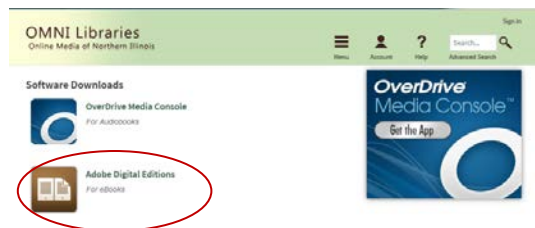
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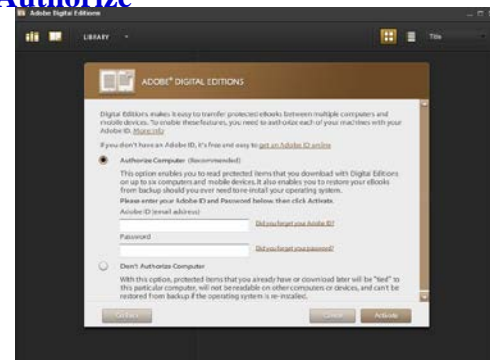
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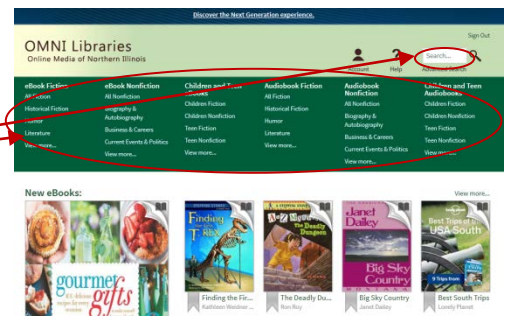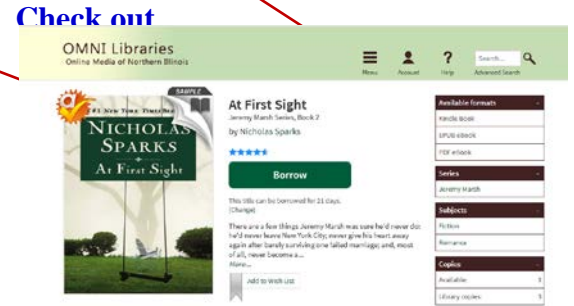
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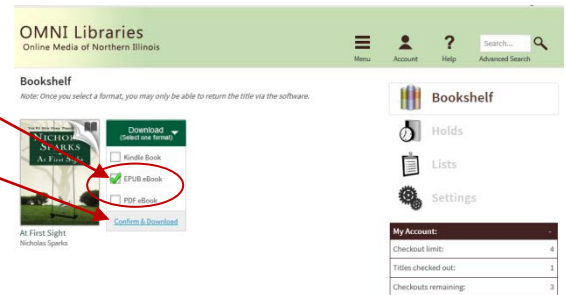## Step 3- Check out and download to your computer

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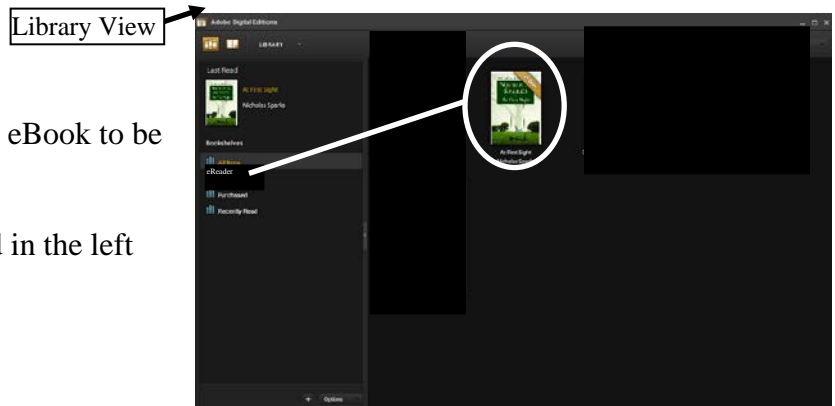

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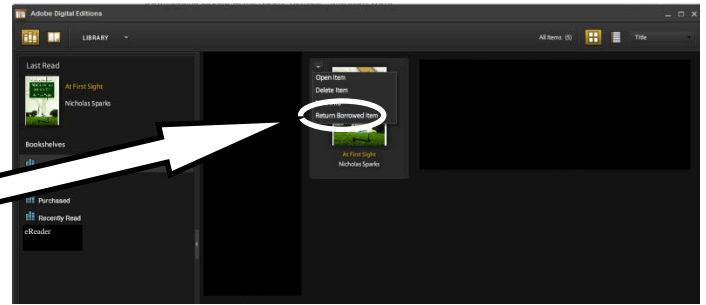## Step 4- Transfer eBooks from Adobe Digital Editions to an eReader

Transfer

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Library View

- Open Adobe Digital Editions

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