

## Kindles in Schools

You have to register your Kindles to an Amazon account in order to buy and transfer books on to it.

### Register all Kindles to one account

You can register more than one Kindle (or laptop / iPad etc) to one Kindle account, and so one way to manage multiple Kindles in schools is to register them all the one school account. The advantage of this is that you can use the 'Manage Your Kindle' pages on Amazon's web site to deliver books to any of your Kindles, which is fairly straightforward. You have one account under which all your books are bought; you can see all your books in that one account; and you can deliver the books you have sourced to any of your reading devices.

**Manage Your Devices**

**Registered Kindles** [Register a Kindle](#)

Kindle Name	Send-to-Kindle E-mail Address	Type	Actions
CALL's Kindle <a href="#">Edit</a>	call.scotland@Kindle.com*	Kindle Keyboard	Deregister

Serial Number: B00A A0A0  
1124 0SKS

\* Send personal documents to you Kindle using this e-mail address. Edit e-mail addresses on Personal Document Settings.

**Registered Kindle Reading Apps** [Get free Kindle Reading Apps](#)

Device Name	Type	Actions
CALL's Kindle for PC <a href="#">Edit</a>	Windows PC	Deregister
CALL's Kindle for PC 2 <a href="#">Edit</a>	Windows PC	Deregister
CALL's Kindle for PC 3 <a href="#">Edit</a>	Windows PC	Deregister
CALL's Kindle for PC 4 <a href="#">Edit</a>	Windows PC	Deregister
iPad 5075 2 <a href="#">Edit</a>	Apple iOS	Deregister
iPad 5320 4 <a href="#">Edit</a>	Apple iOS	Deregister
iPad 5322 <a href="#">Edit</a>	Apple iOS	Deregister
iPad 5323 3 <a href="#">Edit</a>	Apple iOS	Deregister

**Device Synchronization (Whispersync Settings)**  
With device synchronization on, your Kindle and Kindle Reading Apps will always sync your last page read. Synchronization will also keep track of any bookmarks, highlights, or notes that you add so you can view them on another device.

Whispersync Device Synchronization [Actions](#)

**OFF** for CALL Scotland [Turn On](#)

You should turn synchronization off only if:

- You and someone else are reading the same book, AND
- The Kindles are registered to a single account

**Your Kindle Library**

View:  OR

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Title	Author	Date	Actions
Dracula	Stoker, Bram	18 Jan 2011	<a href="#">Actions...</a>
The Blackhope Enigma	Flavin, Teresa	18 Jan 2011	<a href="#">Actions...</a>
Danny the Champion of the World	Dahl, Roald	18 Jan 2011	<a href="#">Actions...</a>
Kindle User's Guide	Amazon	16 Jan 2011	<a href="#">Actions...</a>
The Twits (My Roald Dahl)	Dahl, Roald	31 Aug 2011	<a href="#">Actions...</a>
Oliver Twist	Dickens, Charles	31 Aug 2011	<a href="#">Actions...</a>
White Fang	London, Jack	31 Aug 2011	<a href="#">Actions...</a>
The New Oxford American Dictionary	Oxford University Press	11 July 2011	<a href="#">Actions...</a>

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So for example, you could set up one Kindle for an individual pupil with those titles he or she requires, and set up a different Kindle with different books for another pupil. Or you could have a set of Kindles for one topic or class or year group.

If you do register multiple Kindles to one account you probably want to turn off **Device Synchronisation** in Manage Your Devices on your Amazon account. If you leave Device Synchronisation on, then pupils who reading the same book on the Kindles will find they see each other's notes and bookmarks and the books will always open at the last page read by any pupil. So it's probably best to turn off Device Synchronisation – then notes stay on the Kindle only and each Kindle opens the book at the last page it was read on that particular device.

Technically, you can deliver a book that you have bought to more than one Kindle device (usually six). Amazon says that this is perfectly legal, although it does seem slightly surprising if you are then going to give six Kindles to six different pupils: essentially, you are buying the book once and then giving 6 different copies to pupils.

However, suppose you want to put a book on, say, 10 devices for a class group to read? You would therefore need to buy at least two copies, which does not seem to be possible: the Amazon web site knows that you have already bought a copy, and so prevents you from buying it again.

## **Register each Kindle to a separate account**

Amazon recommends registering each Kindle with it's own separate Amazon account and email address. The advantage of this is that the devices can be synchronised and so the last page read, notes and bookmarks are backed up on the Amazon web site. It also means you know that you can buy the books you want for the devices you are using.

The disadvantage is that management of many different accounts, purchase of books etc seems to us to be more complicated, and of course you have to spend more on purchasing books.

## **Remove method of payment after purchase**

After you buy a book and deliver it to your Kindles(s), remember to remove the credit card details from the account to prevent pupils buying more. If you have bought the books with pre-paid vouchers we believe the only way to stop pupils buying more is to de-register the Kindle device from the account.

## **Wi-fi in schools**

Kindles cannot connect to a wifi network through a proxy server, which means that in many schools you may find that they cannot connect to the internet in order to receive books and documents.

An alternative method of delivery is to purchase your books on a computer and then transfer files to the Kindle(s) via USB. This may also be more secure, since it means you can ensure which Kindle has the books you want. For more on downloading to the Kindle via USB see the Kindle web site.