Zinio

How to Read to Free Online Magazines on your Computer, Smartphone or Tablet Prince George Public Library – www.lib.pg.bc.ca

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Access nearly 300 magazines from many different interests right on your computer or mobile device!

System Requirements:

Windows XP & higher: Preferred browser: Internet Explorer 8 & higher Alternative browsers: Firefox 3.6 & higher, Google Chrome Screen resolution: 1024x768 or higher Mac OS 10.5 & higher: Preferred browser: Safari 5 & higher, Firefox 3.6 & higher Alternative browsers: Google Chrome Screen resolution: 1024x768 or higher

Getting setup with Zinio (must be done online, not a mobile app):

- 1. Go to the library's website: www.lib.pg.bc.ca
- 2. Click on **Download eBooks & More**
- 3. Click the Zinio icon
- 4. Click the Create Account button
- 5. Enter your library card number (without spaces)
- 6. Enter your Email address, Password (twice), and your name
- 7. Click Create Account button
- 8. The status will display Successful, confirmation has been sent to you
- 9. Check your email and click the confirmation link
- 10. An Account Screen confirms your account is active, click on Return to Login link
- 11. Log in to your activated Zinio account with your email address and password
- 12. The magazine collection is ready to browse and check out subscriptions

Finding a magazine:

- 1. Search by keyword, the Title drop-down menu, or the Genre drop-down menu
- 2. Click on a cover to select and open a magazine
- 3. After you select your first magazine, a second browser window will open Zinio.com
- 4. Click on the **sign in here** link, enter your **email address** and **password**, then click the **Log in** button. Your personal magazines and the one you selected from the library collection will appear in your Zinio.com view account.

This is a separate account from your library authenticated account created to select your library magazines. The benefit of your personal account beyond viewing the magazines, enables you to personalize your collection to view online or offline (on the Zinio Reader app).

Viewing Your Magazines on Desktop/Laptops and Mobile Devices

- After logging into your Zinio Account, you can view your magazines on your PC, Mac, or device
- Click on the magazine cover and the magazine will open in a new browser
- A '**Read**' prompt will appear on the magazine cover click on it and a new browser viewer window will load the issue
- If a 'Requires Reader 4' prompt appears on the magazine cover that issue may only be viewed in the Reader 4 App on your device
- To check out the next issue in your magazine subscription, go to your library collection page and select the new issue so you can keep current with the latest issue

Changing account settings:

- 1. Click the Account Settings link at the top of the screen
- 2. Click Email Preferences

The 'Let Zinio Decide' box is defaulted as checked. This selection will send you some email notifications including when new magazine issues from the titles you selected are available in your account. If you want to NOT RECEIVE email messages, simply de-select the option by clicking the 'check mark' off and update your preferences by clicking the 'submit' button. Regardless of your selection, you will receive a reminder email EACH time a new issue is added to your Zinio viewer site per standard digital magazine practices.

3. You can also update your password and other login information

Reading Zinio magazines on a mobile device:

1. You can download and install the Zinio Reader app from your device's app store:

Android: Google Play Apple: iTunes BlackBerry: App World

- 2. Within the app, enter your username and password when you created your personal Zinio account
- 3. Magazines accessed through the app may be viewed online or downloaded so they are available for off-line viewing