

Bloom Session 10

The **Bloom Reader** is an Android app which

- Displays Bloom books
- Plays Talking Books recorded in Bloom

Bloom Desktop is enhanced with a “Publish to Bloom Reader” function that can push Bloom books directly to a connected Android device for immediate use during and after book-making workshops.

In this session we will learn how to put Bloom Books into the Bloom Reader app on Android.

Setup

Download and install Bloom Reader on your Android app via the Google Play Store.

Start Bloom.

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Choose a Collection

1. The main window appears. Click **Other Collections**.

The **Open/Create Collection** dialog box appears.

2. Select the desired collection.

The main window reappears.

Move a book to Bloom Reader

1. Select the desired book in the collection by clicking on it.
2. Click **Edit this book**.
3. Change the page size and orientation to **Device16x9Portrait**.
4. Check each page to verify that they display on the screen properly. If not, make any adjustments necessary to the problem pages.
5. Connect your Android device to your PC via cable or Wi-Fi.
6. Click the **Publish** icon.
7. Select **Android**. Verify Bloom Reader is running on your Android device.
8. If desired, select color from **Thumbnail Color**
9. Select your choice from **Method Choices**.
10. After sending is completed. On your Android, play the sent book.
11. Sometimes not all the text will be displayed on the Android. You may need to make some adjustments in the Bloom book to get all the text to fit.
12. Note the Bloom Reader can also handle talking books.

Exercise

1. Have the participants send another book on their own to Bloom Reader. And then display it on the Android device.