# Axis 360 e-book User Guide

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Once you have downloaded the software or app, you then also need to register for a Blio account before you can use the software. Register with an email address and password at <a href="http://www.blio.com/">http://www.blio.com/</a>.

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If you are using the Blio app, you still need to register with Blio and you will still need to download from the Axis 360 website in the Blio format. Once that is done however, the app will pick up any titles you have borrowed. You CAN NOT borrow and browse from the library using the app – this must be done on the website.

NOTE: If the title is only available in ePub or another format, you will have to use the Axis Reader app for mobile devices or Adobe Digital Editions for computers/e-readers (see instructions above).