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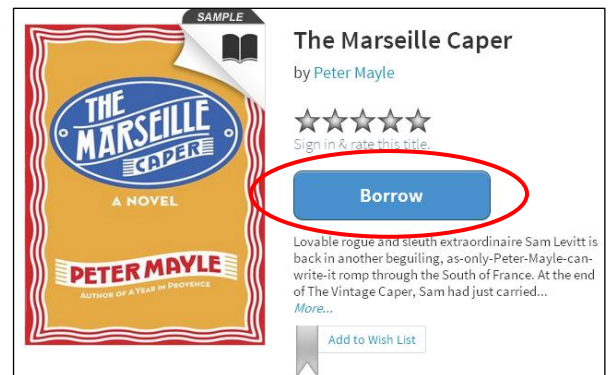
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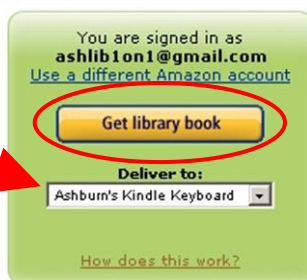
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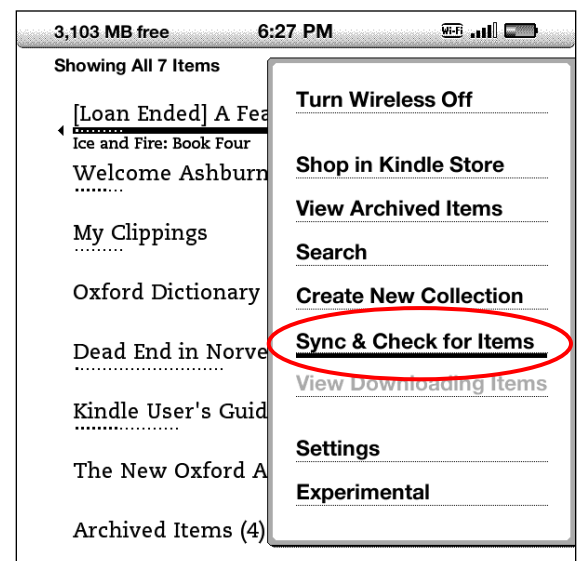
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A. Some publishers (for example, Penguin) do not want their titles sent via wireless so those titles must be downloaded and transferred manually.

- Connect your Kindle to your computer with the cable (remove the AC adapter from the power cord to reveal the USB connector). Your Kindle will appear as a removable mass storage device.
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A. Yes! All branches of Loudoun County Public Library have free wireless Internet access. However, if you can't make a trip to the library you can use a computer or laptop to manually download the book and then transfer it to the Kindle via USB. See the first FAQ above for directions.

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