



Android App

The Flipster app manages your magazines downloaded from the Flipster website for offline viewing on your Android tablet.

To download the free Flipster app, search the Google Play store for "Flipster."

Compatibility

- Android 4.2 and Higher
- Android Phones and Tablets

Features

- Download popular magazines and read offline
- Track percentage of magazine read
- Magazines open where you last left off
- Read articles in Text View

FAQs

Q. How do I download a magazine to the Android app?

A. You must be online to download magazines.

To download issues to the app:

1. Using your device's browser, go to Flipster and tap on a magazine to read. The magazine opens in the mobile viewer.
2. Tap the menu in the upper left hand corner and select Open in App. The Flipster app opens and downloads the magazine.
3. Once the download has completed, the issue is available to read.

Q. Are back issues available from the app?

A. While back issues cannot be downloaded from within the app, you can always access back issues on the Flipster mobile viewer and use the Open in App menu option to download them to the app one at a time.

Q. Is there a limit of how many magazines I can download to the app?

A. No, you can download as many magazines as you'd like.

Q. Do the issues I download to the app expire?

A. Some select titles will expire and will need to be deleted from your tablet. These titles display an expired icon and appear grayed out when no longer available to read. Select weekly titles may expire in 2 days while select monthly or seasonal titles may expire in 7 days.

Q. After an issue expires, can I download it again?

A. Yes, simply return to the Flipster website and re-download the magazine.

Q. How do I delete an issue?

A. Tap on the trash can icon in the lower right corner of each magazine cover to delete it.

Q. What is the % number in the lower left corner of each cover image?

A. When you first download a magazine but haven't read any of the contents, you'll see a NEW label in the lower left corner of each magazine cover. Once you begin reading the magazine, the NEW label is removed and replaced with a % number that tracks how much of the magazine you've read.



Getting Started with *Flipster*

Access the digital magazines available at your library through a variety of platforms.

- Access *Flipster* online using the web browser of your computer or mobile device.
- Offline viewing available via the *Flipster* app for iPads and iPhones, Android Phones and Tablets, and side-loaded to Kindle Fire Tablets.
- Search by title, keyword, or browse by category (available in three platforms, coming soon in Android)

How do you access Flipster?

Via a computer, tablet, or phone:

Click on the *Flipster* link on your library's website, enter your library card information or a username and password provided by your librarian, and access a site where you can browse available magazines. You can then click on a magazine to view it within your browser. This means that you can access *Flipster* from the computer library, your home computer, your phone, or your tablet, as long as you are connected to the Internet.

The *Flipster* app:

The *Flipster* app offers offline viewing of downloaded content on your mobile devices. To download the free *Flipster* app, search the iTunes App Store or the Google Play Store for "Flipster - Digital Magazines".

- Locate participating libraries
- Browse for and download popular magazines to read offline
- Access digital table of contents for each magazine
- Read articles in text view
- Tap highlighted areas to jump to articles and related websites
- Track percentage of magazine read

Searching *Flipster* Online

The *Flipster* Home screen is the default search screen and offers the ability to search for titles by keyword, as well as browse by Category, Latest Issues, and All Issues.

To create a Basic Keyword Search:

1. From the Home Screen, enter your search terms in the Find field and click Search. A Result List of magazines that match your search is displayed.
2. Click on a title or the Read This Issue link to read it in the *Flipster* viewer.

Frequently Asked Questions

Q. Do I need to pay for this service?

A. No, this service is free courtesy of your library.

Q. Are back issues available?

A. Yes, back issues are available.

- To access back issues in your desktop or mobile web browser, open the most recent issue of a magazine and select the All Issues menu item in the right column to see all available issues.

- To access back issues in the mobile app, tap on the info icon associated with the magazine you are interested in. From the Details Screen, you can browse all available back issues. (Available now in iOS, coming soon in Android).

Q. Do I need a mobile app to view magazines on my mobile device?

A. No, using your mobile browser, you can access Flipster and read magazines from your mobile device with an internet connection or 3G/4G connection.

Q. Is there a mobile app I can use with Flipster?

A. Currently, we offer a mobile app for Apple devices, Android devices, and side-loaded to Kindle Fire tablets. To download the iOS or Android apps, search for "Flipster - Digital Magazines" in the iTunes or Google Play stores.

Q. Can I search within a magazine?

A. Yes, both the desktop and mobile web browser versions of Flipster support keyword searching within a magazine. You can also search across all issues by accessing the content gallery feature.

Q. What is the Contents Gallery?

A. The Contents Gallery allows you to view the table of contents for all available issues of a magazine when using Flipster on your desktop or laptop computer.

To use the Contents Gallery:

1. Select All Issues from the viewer menu and click Contents Gallery from the resulting menu pane.
2. Click the View button. A new Contents Gallery window opens allowing you to page through the table of contents from all issues available.
3. Click on a feature or article to go directly to that page.

Note: The Contents Gallery is not accessible when using Flipster on a mobile device.

Q. Can I print from a magazine?

A. Yes, printing is available when reading a magazine on a computer, but not from a mobile device or the iPad app. The print button is located towards the bottom of the right hand menu when viewing a magazine on a computer. The available print options are determined by the publisher. You may be able to print a single page, a range, or none at all.



System Requirements

Flipster has been tested and confirmed to work on your desktop computer with the following browsers:

Internet Explorer	10 and 11 only
FireFox	Latest and one previous version
Safari	Latest and one previous version
Google Chrome	Latest and one previous version
Other	JavaScript, Cookies Enabled

Notes:

- If you are using an older browser, *Flipster* may function properly, but your results may vary.
- The recommended screen resolution is 1024 x 768.
- Adobe Flash Player 10.0 or later is required to use Text-To-Speech on interfaces in which it is available.

Mobile App Requirements

The following operating systems have been tested and confirmed to be supported by *Flipster*:

- **iOS** - Versions 9 and higher
- **Android** - Version 4.2.2 (Jelly Bean) and higher