What is hoopla?

hoopla is a digital media service that allows HCPL cardholders to borrow and stream a diverse range of digital content instantly. It offers a broad selection of eBooks, audiobooks, movies, TV shows, and music. Users can access these materials directly from their devices, including smartphones, tablets, and computers using the hoopla app or website.

What is Kids Mode?

Kids Mode in hoopla is a feature designed to provide a child-friendly browsing experience. When activated, it filters and displays content appealing to children, including books, audiobooks, movies, and music.

Key features of Kids Mode include:

Child-friendly Content: Only content recommended for children by hoopla is visible. Content recommended for teens and adults is filtered from view.

Simplified Interface: The user interface is tailored for easier navigation by children, featuring larger icons and simpler menus.

PIN protection: Parents and caregivers can set up a PIN to prevent children from accidentally exiting Kids Mode or accessing content for teens and adults.

To use Kids Mode in hoopla, follow these steps:

1. Log In to Your hoopla Account:

• Open the Hoopla app or go to the Hoopla website and sign in with your library card number.

2. Enable "Kids Mode":

• In settings options or at the top of the app or website, look for "Kids Mode" or "Kids" and select it. This will activate the Kids Mode feature.

3. Set Up a PIN for Kids Mode:

- Check the box that says "Require a PIN to unlock Kids Mode"
- Enter your chosen PIN. Please note that this PIN will be required to exit Kids Mode.
- Select the "Turn On" button

4. Browse Content in Kids Mode:

• With Kids Mode enabled and the PIN set, the interface will now show only content appealing to children. The PIN will limit access to settings or content outside of Kids Mode.

5. Turning Off Kids Mode:

- To exit Kids Mode, go back to the settings menu.
- Enter your PIN and click the Turn Off button to disable Kids Mode.

If you need further assistance, please contact your local Henrico County Public Library.

Libby

What is Libby?

Libby is a mobile app and website developed by OverDrive that allows HCPL cardholders to borrow and enjoy digital content. It provides access to a wide range of eBooks and audiobooks which can be borrowed and read or listened to on various devices such as smartphones, tablets, and computers.

How can I help my child use Libby?

Parents and caregivers can use Libby's search and filter functions to find digital books and audiobooks their child will enjoy. By reading book descriptions and exploring curated collections, parents and caregivers can find content that is a good fit for their child.

Below are tips to help you and your child find books in Libby:

On the Libby app:

1. Open the Libby App:

- Launch the Libby app on your device
- 2. Log in:
 - Sign in using your library card number.
- 3. Search Using Filters:
 - Open a search by tapping the magnifying glass at the bottom-left of the app.
 - Under "Explore with Filters" tap the box with three lines to see additional filtering options.
 - Scroll down to "Audience" and select "Juvenile"
 - Tap the button on the top-right side of the app that says "Show Titles" to view all content recommended for children by Libby.

On the Libby Website:

1. Go to the Libby Website:

- Visit libbyapp.com on your web browser.
- 2. Log in:
 - Sign in using your library card number.

3. Apply filters:

- Tap the filters button on the left-side of the screen (three lines).
- Scroll down to Audience and select "Juvenile".
- Tap the button on the top-right side of the screen that says "Show Titles"
- Browse content recommended for children by Libby.

4. Browse Curated Collections:

• Look for the Kids page. Here you will find curated lists organized by HCPL that contains content for children of all ages.

Additional Tips for Browsing by Age Level:

1. Browse by Subject:

- Go to the "Explore" tab
- Under "Subject" select an age-related filter such as "Juvenile Fiction", "Juvenile" Literature", or "Juvenile Nonfiction"

4. Review Guides:

- Tap on the Library icon (building with columns) at the bottom of the Libby app
- Scroll down to "Guides"
- Select "Kids" to review curated lists organized by HCPL librarians.

5. Tags and Descriptions:

• Review individual titles for descriptions or tags related to content and age-level.