



## Did you know?...

There are a variety of ways for people with a visual impairment to access audio (talking) books, newspapers and magazines, for example:

- **RNIB Talking Books**

It is a free service and they come in a variety of formats, CDs, USB sticks, which can be delivered to your home and can also be accessed via a digital download using a smart phone, tablet computer or smart device, such as Alexa. Contact 0303 123 9999 or email [helpline@rnib.org.uk](mailto:helpline@rnib.org.uk)

- **The National Accessible Library**

It is a free online library, books come in a variety of formats, including downloads. Contact 01424 428133 or visit [www.accessiblelibrary.org.uk](http://www.accessiblelibrary.org.uk)

- **Local Libraries**

Access audio books or e-audiobooks at your local library, in York this is Explore York Libraries. Contact 01904 552828 or [www.exploreyork.org.uk](http://www.exploreyork.org.uk)

- **Calibre Audio**

It is a national charity that offers free audio books via streaming, downloads and memory sticks. Contact 01296 432339 or visit [www.calibreaudio.org.uk/service/membership](http://www.calibreaudio.org.uk/service/membership)

- **Listening Books**

Provides a postal and internet based audio book service. Membership fees apply. Contact 020 7407 9417, email [support@listening-books.org.uk](mailto:support@listening-books.org.uk) or visit [www.listening-books.org.uk](http://www.listening-books.org.uk)

- **Audible**

Provides a wide range of audio books, including the latest releases. There is a monthly fee after an initial months trial and audio books can be played via smart home devices. For more information visit [www.audible.co.uk](http://www.audible.co.uk)

- **RNIB Newsagent**

Provides audio versions of newspapers and magazines as well as offering a variety of other formats, visit [www.rnib.org.uk/newsagent](http://www.rnib.org.uk/newsagent) or contact 0303 123 9999

- **York Talking News**

Provides a free monthly audio version of local news on a memory stick. Contact Sue on 01904 652650 for further information.

You can contact your local sensory team for practical advice, information and support around your sight loss and you may be eligible for a Sensory Impairment Assessment. In York, this is the Yorsensory Team, 01904 202292 or email [enquiry@yorsensory.org.uk](mailto:enquiry@yorsensory.org.uk).