# Sane Digital Licensing in Just Five Minutes!

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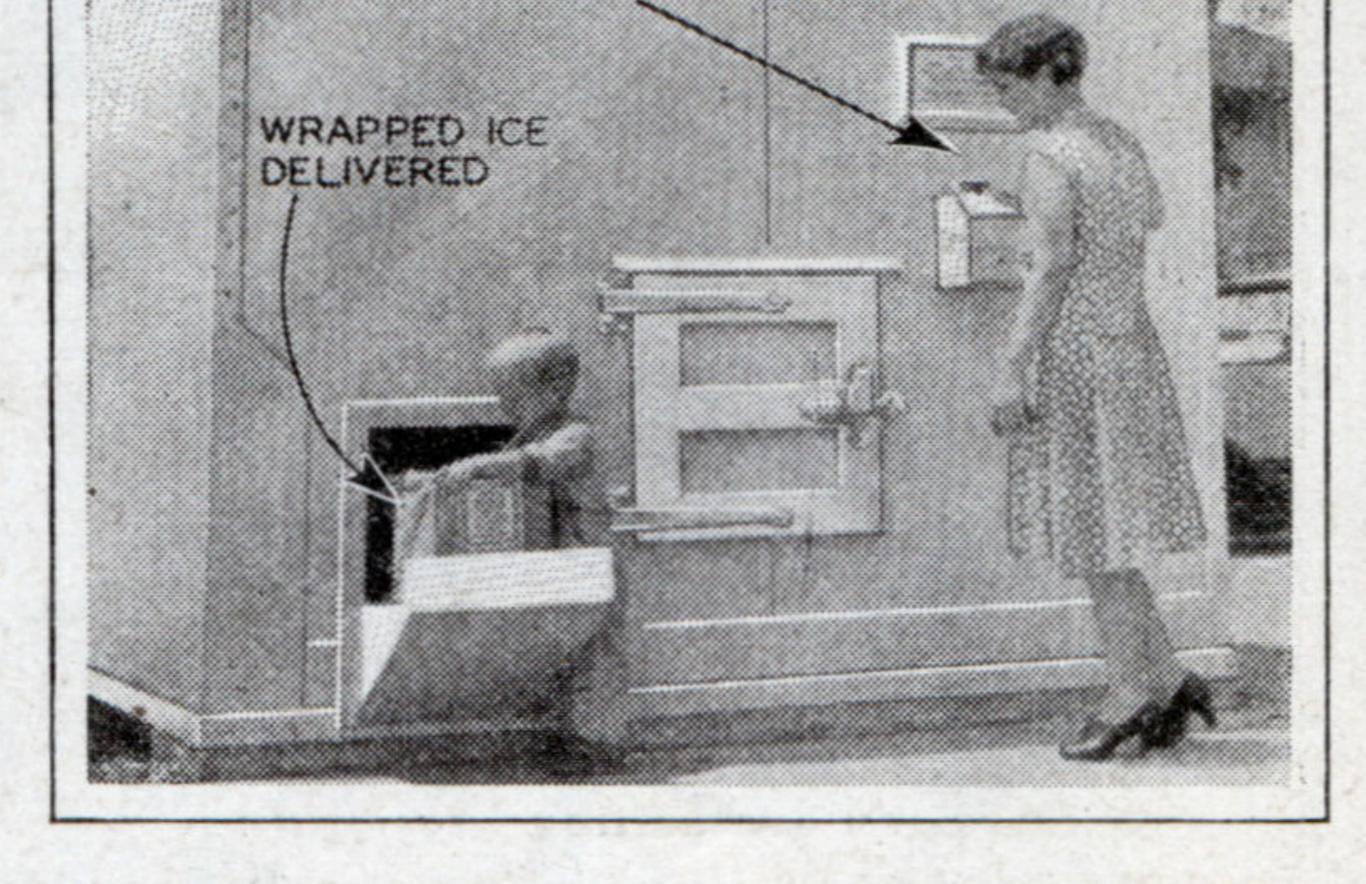
What we now call ebooks are relics of the past, not harbingers of the future.

Libraries are in the business of setting information free.

Publishers are in the business of making Information Scarce.

## Libraries are very, very good at getting ripped off.

Single-user digital files are an idea so insane your grandchildren ARE ALREADY LAUGHING ATYOU ABOUT IT



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### INSANT:

- Waiting for a download
- Limits on downloads
- Paying 3x cover price for single-user items
- Paying per use
- Handing over library circulation & data to commercial intermediaries
- Encrypting library materials
- "Borrowing" patterns of bits that must be "Returned"
- Restricting or paying for content THAT IS ALREADY FREE TO EVERYONE

## SANE:

- Fixed annual cost
- Unencrypted downloads on a plain ol' web server
- Unlimited downloads during the term
- NO WAITING
- New content coming under the license, or the cost decreasing at renewal
- Things you can't get anywhere else
- Downloads, not checkouts; No Returns Accepted
- ALLTHEANGUISH DISAPPEARS

## RENEWABLE LIBRARY LICENSE

- Fixed Term
- Fixed Cost
- Specified set of files or releases
- No DRM or complex trust stack required
- Unlimited downloads by authenicated users
- At term, either renew, renegotiate, or remove.

## WORKS FOR USERS

- Immediate, Hassle-free, Cross-platform Downloads
- No new login, software, skills, or patience required
- No due dates, no renewals, no returns, no limits
- High quality, low-hassle content, simple process
- No-fee access to new (to them) stuff right away
- Sometimes even explicit permission for derivative use

## WORKS FOR LIBRARIES

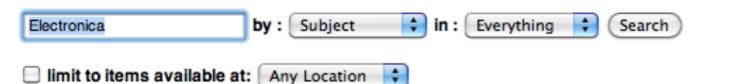
- Dirt cheap to deliver
- Super-simple catalog integration
- Ability to instantly meet demand
- Predictable costs, no throttling users
- Annual opportunity to assess value
- No trust chains required
- Your users, your content, your stats

## WORKS FOR CREATORS

- Easy to earn more money from a given service area than their take would otherwise provide
- No costs to them or infrastructure required
- Building a bigger audience among publishing's best customers
- Results in appreciative fans
- Novelty increases exposure
- Mo' eyeballs, mo' money

## WORKS FOR PUBLISHERS?

- YES! If they can stop looking at library revenue as cannibalizing other sales
- Premium licensing merits premium pricing
- Builds on established business models that thrive in the library marketplace
- No infrastructure or tech capability required
- Works great for publishers who aren't obsessed with trying to put the toothpaste back in the tube



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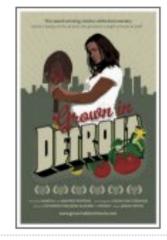
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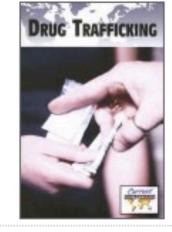
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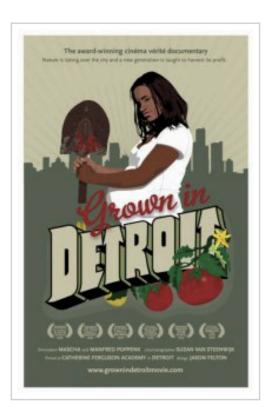


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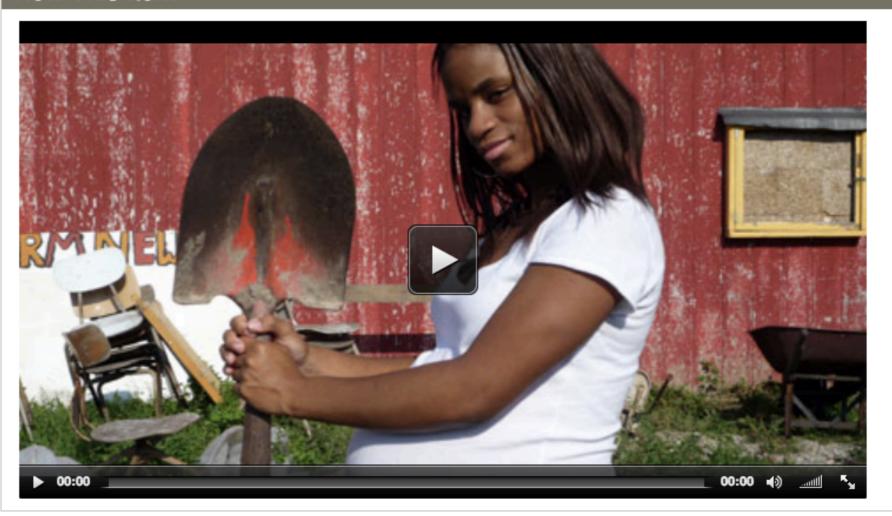
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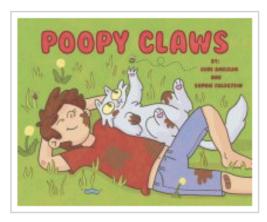


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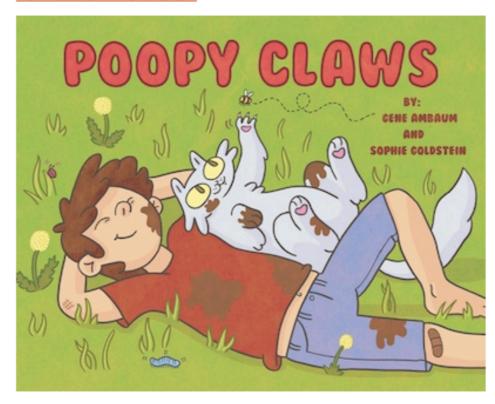


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