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## **Application for Free Library Service: Individuals**

☐ Profound – Cannot hear or understand speech

Please complete this application and submit to the library serving blind and print disabled individuals in your state. To find your local cooperating library, go to <a href="www.loc.gov/nls/braille-audio-reading-materials/find-a-local-library">www.loc.gov/nls/braille-audio-reading-materials/find-a-local-library</a> or call 1-888-NLS-READ (1-888-657-7323). The application may be sent by email, fax, printed and mailed, or printed and hand delivered.

(First)	_ (Middle)			
State	Zip			
Date of Birth				
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eached for an extended period:				
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<b>Veterans</b> : Persons who are blind or have a print disability who have been honorably discharged from the United States military receive preference in the lending of books, recordings, playback equipment, musical scores, instructional texts, and specialized materials (Public Law 89-522).  ☐ Check here if you were honorably discharged from the United States military.				
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Indicate the primary disability preventing you from reading printed material.				
☐ Physical Disability	☐ Deaf/Blindness			
☐ Reading Disability				
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	State			

**NOTE:** Personal information is confidential except for those portions defined by law as public information. To learn what information provided on this application form may be released to other individuals, institutions, or agencies, please consult the agency to which you are submitting this application.

#### Eligibility of blind and other print-disabled persons for loan of library materials

The following people are eligible for service: residents of the United States, including territories, insular possessions, and the District of Columbia, and American citizens living abroad, provided they meet one of the following criteria:

- 1. An individual who is blind or has a visual impairment that makes them unable to comfortably read print books.
- 2. An individual who has a perceptual or reading disability.
- 3. An individual who has a physical disability that makes it hard to hold or manipulate a book or to focus or move the eyes as needed to read a print book.

Please see www.loc.gov/nls/about/eligibility-for-nls-services for the full eligibility terminology.

### **Certifying Authority**

Eligibility must be certified by one of the following: doctor of medicine, doctor of osteopathy, ophthalmologist, optometrist, psychologist, registered nurse, therapist, or professional staff of hospitals, institutions, and public or welfare agencies (such as an educator, social worker, case worker, counselor, rehabilitation teacher, certified reading specialist, school psychologist, superintendent, or librarian).

## To be completed by Certifying Authority

Name	Title		
Organization			
Address			
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☐ I certify that this applicant is eligible for NLS services.			
Signature			
Date			

A typed or handwritten signature is acceptable after certifying data is completed.

**BARD (Braille and Audio Reading Download)** is a web-based, password-protected service that provides access to thousands of audio and braille books, magazines, and music scores available from NLS. The service is available as an application on a Windows or Mac computer or on an iOS or Android device. The mobile application, known as BARD Mobile, includes built-in playback capability so you can enjoy talking books anytime, anywhere.

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Service delivery for library materials (check all that	apply)
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☐ Hardcopy braille books and magazines	
☐ Music appreciation/braille or large-print so magazines on cartridge / flash drive	ores/instructional talking books and
(Note: The NLS Music program does not provide rec	orded music for recreational listening.)
How did you learn about the NLS free library service	e? Check up to three:
☐ Veterans Affairs/Defense Health Agency	☐ Other Health Care Professional
☐ School	☐ Vocational Rehabilitation Center
☐ Friend/Family	☐ Public Library
☐ Consumer/Support Group	☐ Event/Expo
□ TV Ad	☐ Radio Ad
☐ Other Ad (specify below)	☐ Internet/Social Media
	(specify below)
☐ Other (specify below)	

# Reading Preferences (Optional): Complete the following if you want library materials sent by home delivery, USPS Free Matter for the Blind

Reading Preferences: Check	A or B	
☐ A. Do not select books f	or me. Send only the spe	cific titles that I request.
☐ B. I wish to have books	selected for me.	
<b>Note:</b> If you want books se interests. Please check all the	•	ry needs information about your reading cts you prefer.
<b>Age Range:</b> □ Adult Titles	☐ Young Adult Titles	☐ Children's Titles, Grade:
Subject Category:		
☐ Adventure	☐ Bestsellers/Fiction	☐ Bestsellers/Nonfiction
☐ Biography	☐ Classics	☐ Cooking
☐ Gardening	☐ Historical Fiction	☐ History
☐ Mystery	☐ Politics	☐ Psychology/Self-Help
☐ Religious Fiction	☐ Romance	☐ Science
☐ Science Fiction	☐ War/Military	☐ Westerns
Please indicate additional tit	les, authors, genres, or to	opics:
I do not wish to receive bool	ks that contain (check all	that apply):
☐ Strong language	☐ Violence	☐ Explicit descriptions of sex
☐ I am interested in receivir	ng books in languages oth	er than English (please list other
languages):		





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