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# PUBLIC LIBRARIES ONLINE WEEKLY

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## Trending

### New on PL Online This Week

- Unglue.It and GITenberg, two projects concerned with creating a more sustainable ecosystem for free ebooks, have announced they're joining forces as the Free Ebook Foundation, a nonprofit corporation set to be led and supported by Eric Hellman, technologist, founder, and president of the privately held company Gluejar Inc. Read more in "[The Free Ebook Foundation - Making the World Safe for Free Ebooks.](#)"
- READ (Rural Education and Development) Global is a nonprofit organization that operates in rural South Asia and has its headquarters in San Francisco, California. Antonia Neubauer founded READ in 1991 after meeting a tour guide in Nepal who told her his wish was to have a library in his village. "Founded on the belief that improved access to educational resources creates lasting social change in developing communities, READ partners with rural villages to build Community Library and Resource Centers (READ Centers). READ Centers offer a variety of programs—from literacy and women's empowerment to information communications technology (ICT) and livelihood skills training. READ currently works with communities in rural Bhutan, India and Nepal." Read more in "[READ Global Brings Libraries and Learning to South Asia.](#)"
- With book vlogging becoming a more popular form of readers advisory, many librarians are creating their own web blogs to share their latest book recommendations. The following is a sampling of what is out there as well as tips

# Midweek Media Mash-Up

## A Choice Selection of Links for Your Perusal

- [Nonprofit Aims to Build Cloud-Based Library for Students in Developing World](#)
- [Crowdsourced Phrasebook Aims to Help Refugees](#)
- [This Town Decided to Send all Its Students to College](#)
- [Lessons Learned from ALA's Hacked Facebook Incident](#)
- [Queens Library - Multilingual Web Picks - The Best Websites in Several Languages](#)
- Listen: [How Does a Book Editor Work?](#) (31:04)

## Snapshot

Last week, we asked: "How often, per week, do you help patrons with computer-related issues?" According to the poll, 81% of you said it was too many to count! Let's dig a little deeper into this subject. What do you find you are helping with most often?

*General computer usage*

*Using the library's website*

*Online job applications*

*Online governmental forms*

*Creating resumes*

*Social media*

*Downloading Ebooks or other Ebook issues*

*Downloading music or other online music issues*

*Mobile technology (phones and tablets)*

## PLOnline Book Review - Masque

**Author : W.R. Gingell**

**Publisher : Create Space Independent Publishing ISBN 9781503331495 \$11.99**

**Digital: Kindle Amazon Digital Service ASINBOOQJ6NN2 \$1.99**

Masked balls, swarthy werewolves, and inquisitive lords and ladies inspire Masque, a genre blending fantasy, mystery and tale of romantic suspense. Author W.R. Gingell,

undemanded spies, and duplicitous lies.

Lady Isabella Farrah, an ambassador's daughter, sets out to solve the murder of guardsman, Raoul, during a Glause masquerade. After discovering a secret note on the body, leading members of this upper crust social circle try to stop an amateur sleuth from investigating. Gingell infuses a cast of devious characters and magical props, green hash, into a standard who done it reminiscent of Lauren Willig's charming Pink Carnation series. Read the entire review [here](#).

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