

Librarian's Shelf by Rachelle McPhillips

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Listen to entire albums without even one word from any sponsors. For instance, you can stream 'N Sync's third studio album and then play Timberlake's brand new album in its entirety right now with your library card. For those songs you just can't get enough of, download and keep them! CPL card holders get five free downloads each week.

While you're listening to "Man of the Woods," take a tour of the United States with AtoZ the USA. This is a state-by-state resource for learning about culture, customs, geography, and more. Maybe you'd like to know more about Tennessee – where Timberlake was born. Learn about points of interest, other famous people, and the history of this state. Under "Food and Recipes" visitors will find a recipe for Memphis Barbecue – the unofficial state dish. Browse a collection of vintage postcards and enjoy photos of Tennessee landmarks and landscapes.

It has been eighteen years since Timberlake first appeared on the cover of Rolling Stone magazine as a member of 'N Sync. With your library card, you can read newer issues of this iconic music magazine using RB Digital Magazines. Check out and download copies to your computer or mobile device to read full-color, full-page spreads wherever you go, even if there isn't internet access.

RB Digital offers a wide variety of magazines, and digital magazine readers can enlarge the pages for easier reading, print directly from the application, and access special embedded content. Some magazines include links to outside content and utilize augmented reality features in their digital versions.

Timberlake has been on his own since 'N Sync said "Bye Bye Bye" in 2002. Library users can learn how to say "goodbye" in seventy-two different languages using Mango. This language learning resource offers French ("salut"), Italian ("ciao"), Finnish ("hei hei"), and more. Use the site as a guest to breeze through the lessons casually, or create an account to track your progress.

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