

# Coolerbooks.com gets 1M books from Google scans

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(AP) -- Interead, a British company that sells the COOL-ER e-book reader, is adding more than 1 million free public-domain books to its online bookstore. The texts are available from Google Inc. through its book-scanning project.

However, the online store won't be able to show half of the books outside the U.S. because of copyright restrictions, Interead said.

Interead has been selling its \$249 entry to the still small but fast-growing

[e-book reader](#) market since May. Its online store, Coolerbooks.com, has been offering about 330,000 books for sale in different formats.

The COOL-ER Reader, which looks a bit like a distorted iPod Nano, comes in a variety of bright hues and sports a 6-inch e-ink screen that displays text in eight shades of gray. It has 1 [gigabyte](#) of memory for storing books and a card slot for adding more. Users can download books to their computers, then load them to a connected COOL-ER reader.

Interead competitor Sony Corp. also offers a million free books at its eBook Store from [Google](#) Books, along with 100,000 other titles. Amazon.com Inc.'s Kindle Store, which houses [books](#) that can be downloaded to its Kindle reader, includes about 350,000 titles.

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