TumbleBooks has just announced the launch of a new site for iPad and mobile devices. Instead of only having an iPad link in the StoryBook section of TumbleBookLibrary, they have created a mirror site specifically for iPad-compatible content.

Patrons logging onto TumbleBooks with an iPad will be directed to the "TumbleBooks for Mobile Devices" site. It looks exactly like the regular website but all the content in every category will be iPad compatible. You can also access the iPad content by using the Choose drop down menu on the top right hand corner of the home page.

This is not an app you need to download from the iTunes Store. Access is available through your regular browser, just like TumbleBooks.

Soon there will be new content for all of the categories, including new educational games, quizzes and book reports built specifically for the iPad and mobile platform. Every TumbleBook in the Story Book, Language Learning and Nonfiction categories will be converted to an iPad-compatible format. All the National Geographic videos – and the books they are paired with – will also be available in the new site.

Shortly all audio books, both in the TumbleBookCloud and AudioBookCloud collections, will also be iPad, iPhone and mobile compatible.

There is still a little work to do on the iPad site but you will see it getting better every day. You can view the TumbleBooks iPad site with 2 clicks on your iPad.

Simply follow the instructions below:

1. Post onto your school/library webpage a direct link to your TumbleBookLibrary account – if you don't have your direct link please contact us.

2. Open up your Safari Web browser on the home screen of your iPad by tapping its icon.

3. Go to the school/library web page where your TumbleBooks direct link is posted by typing its location into the address bar and pressing Go – you want to create a shortcut for it.

4. Press the button to the immediate left of the address bar, which is shaped like a small box with an arrow pointing to the right.

5. Select "Add to Home Screen" and type a name for the shortcut's icon that will be displayed on the Home Screen of your iPad.

6. Tap the small blue "Add" button in the upper right corner of the "Add to Home" box. The shortcut will be saved to the iPad's Home Screen and will return you to the Web page when tapped.

With this setup, you can simply use the shortcut on your iPad's Home Screen for access. Tapping the TumbleBooks icon will bring users to the iPad version of the library/school's TumbleBookLibrary account.

Happy Tumbling!