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Source & Notes	Large Print	Braille	Audio	Digital
<p><b>Publisher:</b> It's always worth going directly to the source first. If they don't have it in the NIMAC, they should be moving in that direction.</p>				
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<p><a href="http://louis.aph.org/catalog/CategoryInfo.aspx?cid=152">Louis (http://louis.aph.org/catalog/CategoryInfo.aspx?cid=152)</a></p> <p>Hosted by APH website, but lists materials available from vendors/producers other than APH.</p>	X	X	X	X
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<p><b>Alaska State Library Talking Book Center</b></p> <p><a href="http://www.library.state.ak.us/dev/tbc.html">http://www.library.state.ak.us/dev/tbc.html</a></p> <p>This is the local contact for the Library of Congress national library service for the blind. Free, free shipping, requires registration. Moving to new formats.</p>		X	X	
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<p><b>Listen Alaska</b></p> <p><a href="http://listenalaska.lib.overdrive.com/">http://listenalaska.lib.overdrive.com/</a></p> <p>Free materials in several formats; library checkout (limited time).</p>			X – WMA, MP3, music	X (ebook, Adobe)

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<p><b>Daisy Consortium</b></p> <p><a href="http://www.daisy.org">http://www.daisy.org</a> Audio and text with images combined, with easy navigation. Can convert to large print or Braille.</p>			X	X daisy
<p><b>Project Gutenberg</b></p> <p><a href="http://www.gutenberg.org">http://www.gutenberg.org</a> (public domain materials)</p>				X ascii+
<p><b>Bookshare:</b> <a href="http://www.bookshare.org/web/Welcome.html">http://www.bookshare.org/web/Welcome.html</a> Free for qualifying students and K12 schools, fees for other types of memberships; unlimited access. Has textbooks; works with NIMAC.</p>	X – via screen	.brf	X	X daisy, others
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