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The screenshot shows the Minuteman Library Network Digital Media Catalog website. The page has a navigation bar with links for HOME, MY CART, MY DIGITAL MEDIA ACCOUNT, Help, and SIGN OUT. Below the navigation bar, there is a search section with a 'Quick Search' box, a 'Go' button, and a dropdown menu for 'All Formats'. To the right, there are two main sections: 'New eBooks' and 'New Audiobooks'. Each section displays a grid of book covers with titles and authors. The 'New eBooks' section includes 'Silent Fall' by Barbara Freethy, 'Fools Rush In' by Kristan Higgins, 'Invasion' by Jon Lewis, and 'Killing Floor' by Lee Child. The 'New Audiobooks' section includes 'The Black' by D. J. MacHale, 'Things Not Seen' by Andrew Clements, 'Eli the Good' by Silas House, and 'Burned' by Ellen Hopkins. A 'My Help!' section is also visible on the left side of the page.

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- Kindle eBook
- MP3 Audiobook

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9. Make sure the title you pick says it is a Kindle Book



The screenshot shows a book listing for "The Girl Who Kicked the Hornet's Nest" by Stieg Larsson. It includes a book cover, a "SAMPLE" button, the title, author, and a description. The "Available copies: 1" and "Library copies: 11" are shown. The "Kindle Book" option is circled in red. There are also "add to wish list" and "add to cart" links for both the Kindle and EPUB versions.

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4. Go to the Watertown Free Public Library's website: www.watertownlib.org
5. Scroll down and click on the **Overdrive** logo on the right-hand side of the page



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Frequently Asked Questions

Can I listen to WMA audiobooks on my Apple device?

Yes, although you first need to have the Overdrive Media Console installed on a Windows computer. Then you need to download the WMA audiobook to the computer and then transfer it to your Apple device.

Will I be notified before my loan expires?

Yes. Three days before the end of the loan period, we will send a courtesy reminder e-mail about the loan expiration. Once the loan period has ended, an additional e-mail notification will be sent.

What happens when my loan expires? Do I get charged for late returns?

No, there are no fees charged for late items. Once the expiration date is reached, your title will automatically be returned. It will still show up on any devices you transferred it to, but you will be unable to open it. Audiobooks cannot be returned early.

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