Download Libby Audiobook files

THESE INSTRUCTIONS work for any Libby audiobook. If you aren't going to use LISTEN Audiobook Player, you needn't bother with creating and adding the "libby.txt" file because other players (so far) can't read or make use of it. But I'm sure I can persuade the Smart Audiobook developer to add that ability.

SO, THE STEP BY STEP

Libby Download Instructions

1. In a desktop web browser, install the "Video & Audio Downloader" extension. Instructions below will be for Chrome based browsers, but should also work similarly with Firefox (and Edge). This extension will capture links to any audio files used by the current page.

CHROME EXTENSION
https://chrome.google.com/webstore/detail/video-audio-downloader/pchlfebelfohhojoomlngjbkcjponfha

FIREFOX ADD-ON
https://addons.mozilla.org/en-US/firefox/addon/video-audio-downloader/

2. Open your book on LibbyApp.com.

3. Optional step to save chapter data.

3a. Open the developer tools panel Shift + CTRL + J (Windows) or Option + ⌘ + J (Mac).

3b. Select the Network tab in the developer tools window.

3c. Find the first network call displayed in the "Name" section that **starts with** "?m=" *(followed by a bunch of numbers)*. It should not be too far down the list, or you can use the filter box to quickly find it. If you don't see such a file hit Ctrl+R (on Windows) to reload the "network" tab.

3d. Right click on it and select "save as". Save this file as "libby.txt".

3e. Add this file to the folder with your libby audio files from the steps below. LISTEN Audiobook Player will parse this file if found in the book folder along with the audio files. It contains book title and chapter data. It will also make sure the audio files are sorted correctly using this data. (I hope to be able to persuade the Smart Audiobook developer to add the ability to parse the libby.txt file also. He's been very accommodating in adding this feature for all the other formats.

4. Now, on the Libby website, make sure you are at the start of your book.

5. Click the "Video & Audio Downloader" extension icon. Click the "clear media list" icon at the top to remove captured links and refresh the page.

6. Refresh the page after clearing the media list and ensuring you are at the start of the book.

7. Scan through the book so the extension can capture the audio files. There are two methods you can use. This is the one I use: Hold down the shift key and continually tap the right arrow until you reach the end. (THIS IS ACTUALLY VERY QUICK,YOU DON'T HAVE TO "PLAY" THE BOOK) This is the "next chapter" keyboard shortcut.

8. When you reach the end of the book click on the "Video & Audio Downloader" extension icon. Remove any items in the list with a "?" shown as its size. (You may need to scroll all the way to the right edge to see the "delete" buttons,) These are duplicates of files that have a size listed.

9. Click the "Download all" icon and wait for the download to complete. Then save the zip file.

10. Extract the zip file and rename the folder to your book title.

(Or my preference is to create the empty book folder, properly named, **before** I started getting the libby files. Then I have someplace to put that "libby.txt" file which I create before actually getting the book files. Then save the zip file to that previously created book folder and extract the zipped files to that folder. The delete the zip file when I'm done.)

11. If you haven't already, be sure to add the libby.txt file into this folder from step 3d above, IF you want chapter data (so far only possible with LISTEN).

12. Copy this folder to your Android device's AUDIOBOOK library folder.

THIS METHOD WORKS TO PERFECTION FOR ME. EVERTHING IN ORDER WITHOUT ANY EXTRA INTERVENTIONS OR RENAMING FILES ETC. NO GLITCHES SO FAR.