

Ebook Access Guide



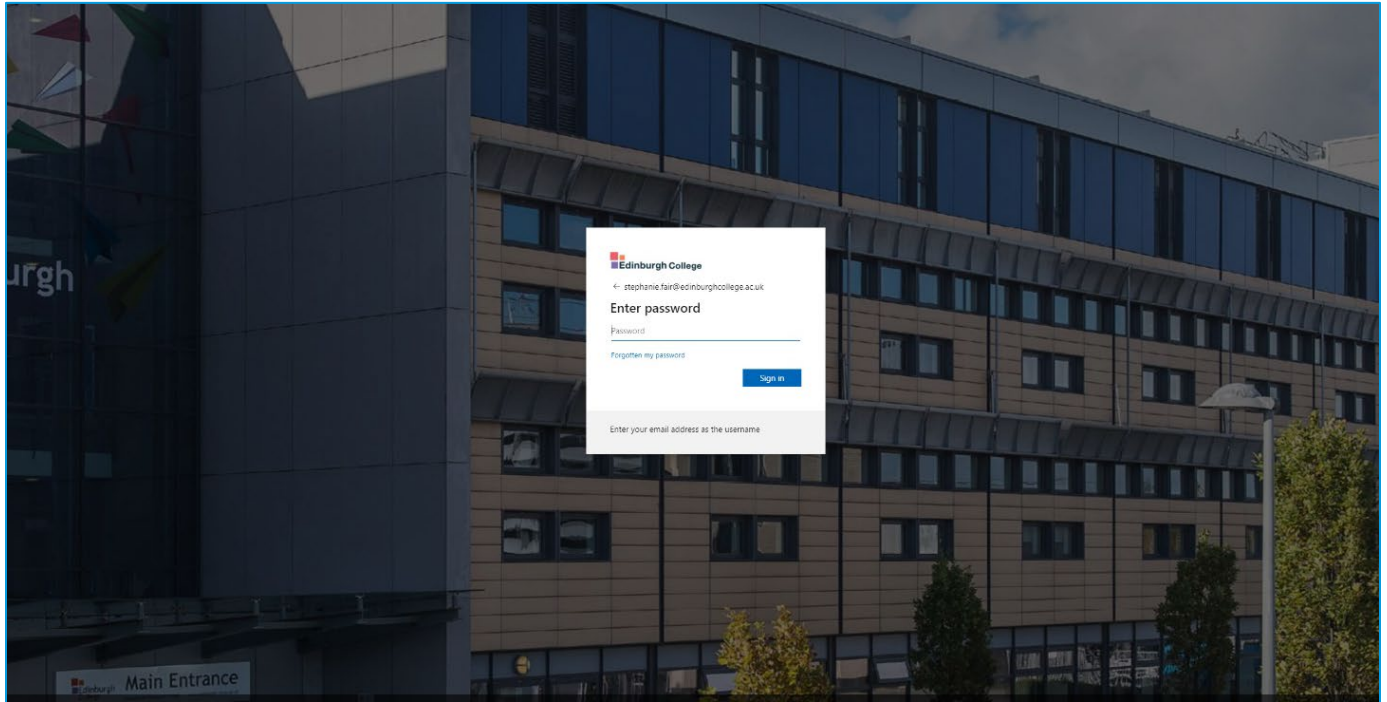
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Most eBooks can be directly accessed through Ecore by clicking on the “PDF full text” or “Ebook full text” link found under access options:

The screenshot shows the Edinburgh College library search interface. The search term is 'essay writing'. The results list two eBooks. The first eBook, 'Level Up Your Essays: How to Get Better Grades at University', has its 'Access options' dropdown menu open, with 'PDF full text' highlighted. The second eBook, 'Academic Writing', also has its 'Access options' dropdown menu open, with 'PDF full text' highlighted. The page includes a sidebar with navigation options like 'My dashboard', 'Research tools', and 'Links'. The search filters include 'All filters (1)', 'Online full text', 'Peer reviewed', and 'All time'.

This will allow you to access the eBook online:

The screenshot shows the eBook viewer interface. The main content area displays the title 'PART 2 COMMON PROBLEMS AND HOW TO FIX THEM' with a pencil icon. Below the title, there is a paragraph of text: 'You don't need to read Part 2 straightaway, or not all of it. We suggest you dip in and out of the different kinds of advice we give here, as and when you need it. If you are struggling with words and sentences, with writing academic English, with editing, with research and note taking, or with time management and planning ... then jump straight to the section you need, get the lowdown and get back to writing. This section is also really helpful to read after you get feedback on an assignment. If a lecturer tells you that you have issues with the 'passive voice', were 'too colloquial', or write in a 'woolly' way, then we have a bite-sized explainer that helps you crack the code and move on to the next stage. If you have skipped ahead straight to this Part, we also recommend heading back to the first four chapters, since they focus on the challenges that have the biggest'. A table of contents is visible on the right side, listing various sections like 'Cover', 'CONTENTS', 'HOW TO USE THIS BOOK', 'PART 1 HOW TO GET BETTER GRADES', 'PART 2 COMMON PROBLEMS AND HOW TO FIX THEM', 'FOCUSING ON YOUR WORDS AND SENTENCES', 'WRITING IN ACADEMIC ENGLISH', 'FINISHING STRONGLY WITH EDITING', 'PART 3 PLANNING FOR NEXT TIME', 'AFTERWORD: DEVELOPING YOUR WRITING BEYOND ESSAYS', 'REFERENCE LIST', 'RECOMMENDED READING', 'ACKNOWLEDGMENTS', and 'INDEX'. The page number '59 / 136' is visible at the bottom.

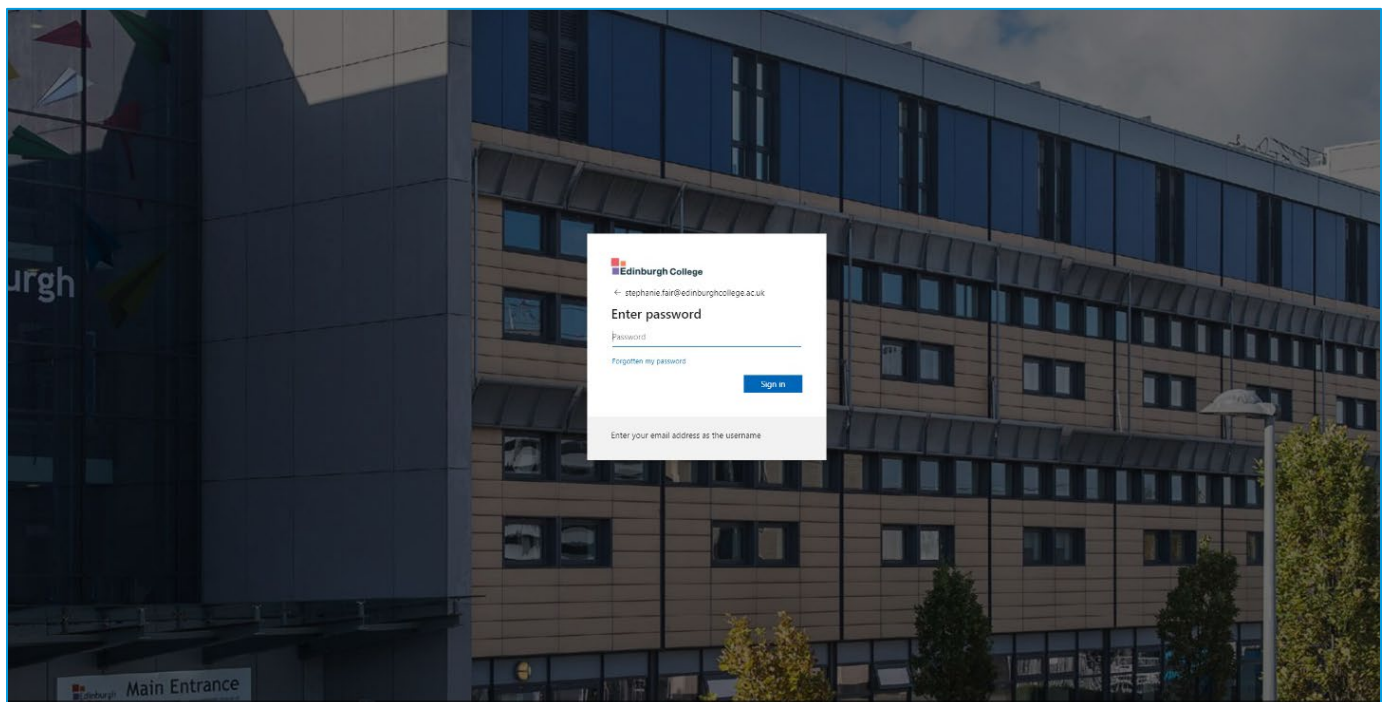
Some of our ebooks are accessed through other providers such as ProQuest or VLE books. These are accessed exactly in the same way above with just a slightly different interface.

Just as before click on **“Ebook full text”** under access options:

The screenshot shows the Edinburgh College library catalog interface. On the left is a navigation menu with sections: "My dashboard" (Overview, Projects, Saved, Searches, Viewed, Holds & checkouts), "Research tools" (General search, Publications, Concept map), and "Links". The main content area shows a search for "study skills" with filters for "All filters (1)", "Online full text", "Peer reviewed", and "All time". The search results list two eBooks:

- The Study Skills Handbook.**
Published in: 2019, Edinburgh College Library Catalogue
By: Cottrell, Stella
Status: View Catalog Record | Location: | Call number: 371.3
- eBook Full Text** (highlighted in a blue circle)
Additional options: Click to View
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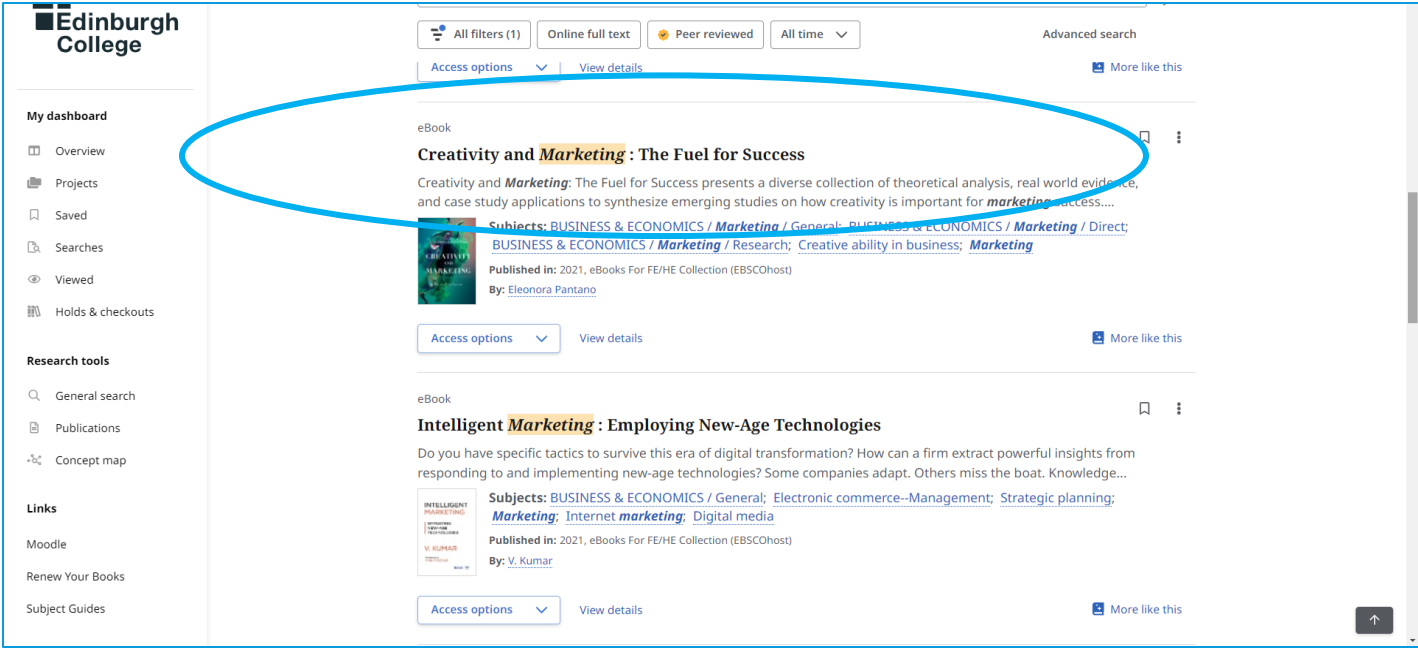
The screenshot shows the ProQuest Ebook Central interface for the book 'The Study Skills Handbook' by Stella Cottrell. The book cover is visible on the left, with the 'Read Online' button highlighted by a blue circle. The main content area displays the book title, author, and availability information. The 'Read Online' button is located under the 'Availability' section, which also includes a 'Download Book' button. The 'Book Details' section on the right lists the title, series, edition, author, publisher, and print publication date. The 'Description' section provides a brief overview of the book's content and approach. The 'Table of Contents' section lists the book's structure, including the cover, contents, acknowledgements, and foreword, with links to download PDFs and read online for each section.

Select read online and this will open the ebook:

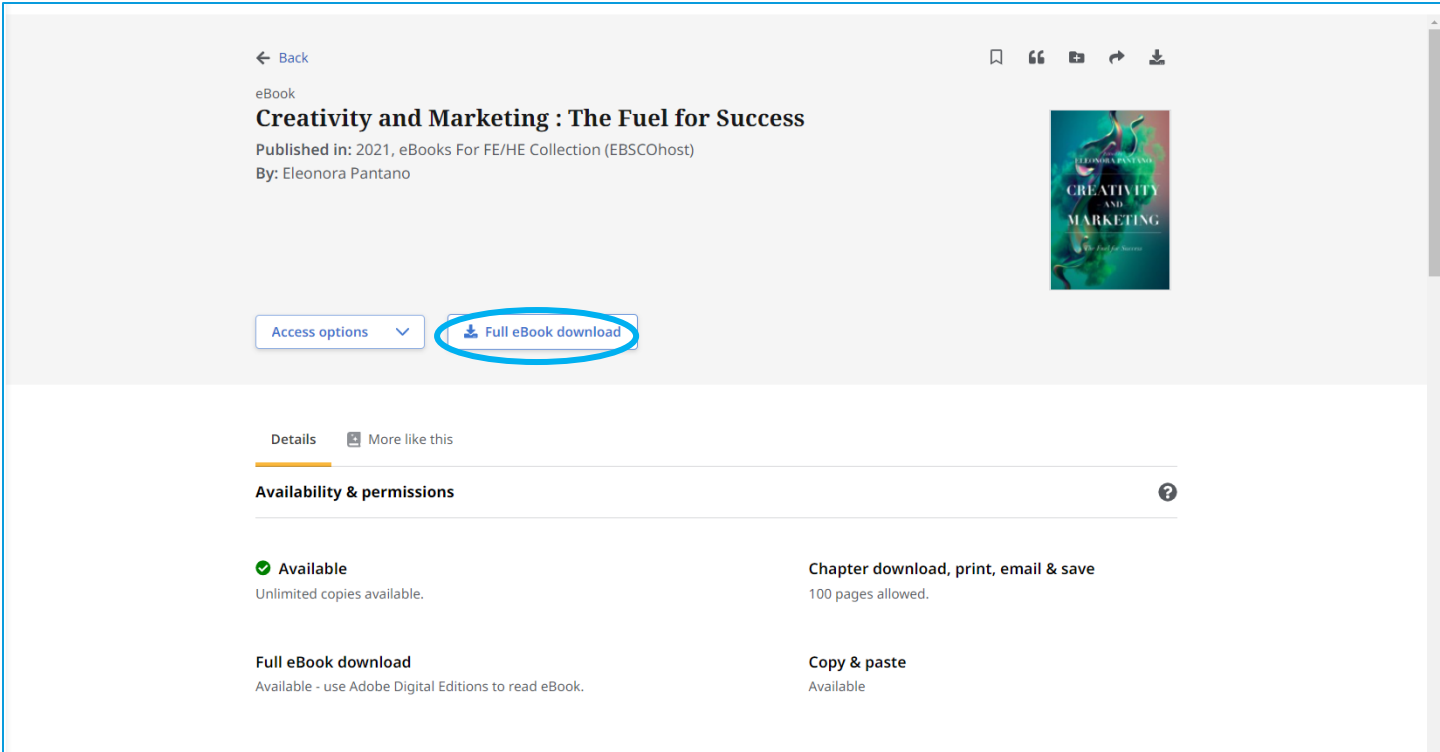
The screenshot shows the first page of the ebook 'The Study Skills Handbook' by Stella Cottrell. The page features a yellow banner with the text 'A new beginning ...'. The main content area is divided into two columns of text. The left column discusses the importance of academic success and the role of intellectual ability, while the right column discusses the challenges of higher education and the need for new strategies. The page also includes a table of contents on the left side, which lists the book's structure, including the cover, contents, acknowledgements, foreword, and several chapters. The 'Read Online' button is visible in the top right corner of the page.

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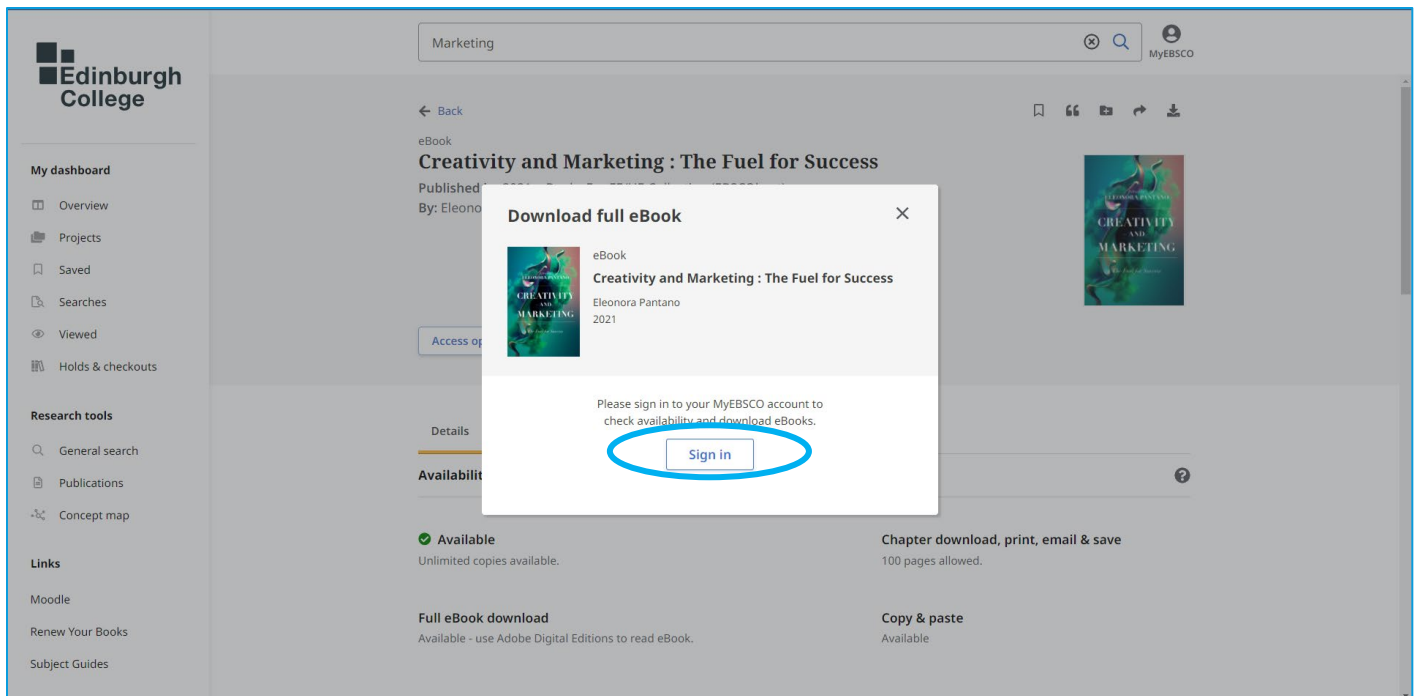
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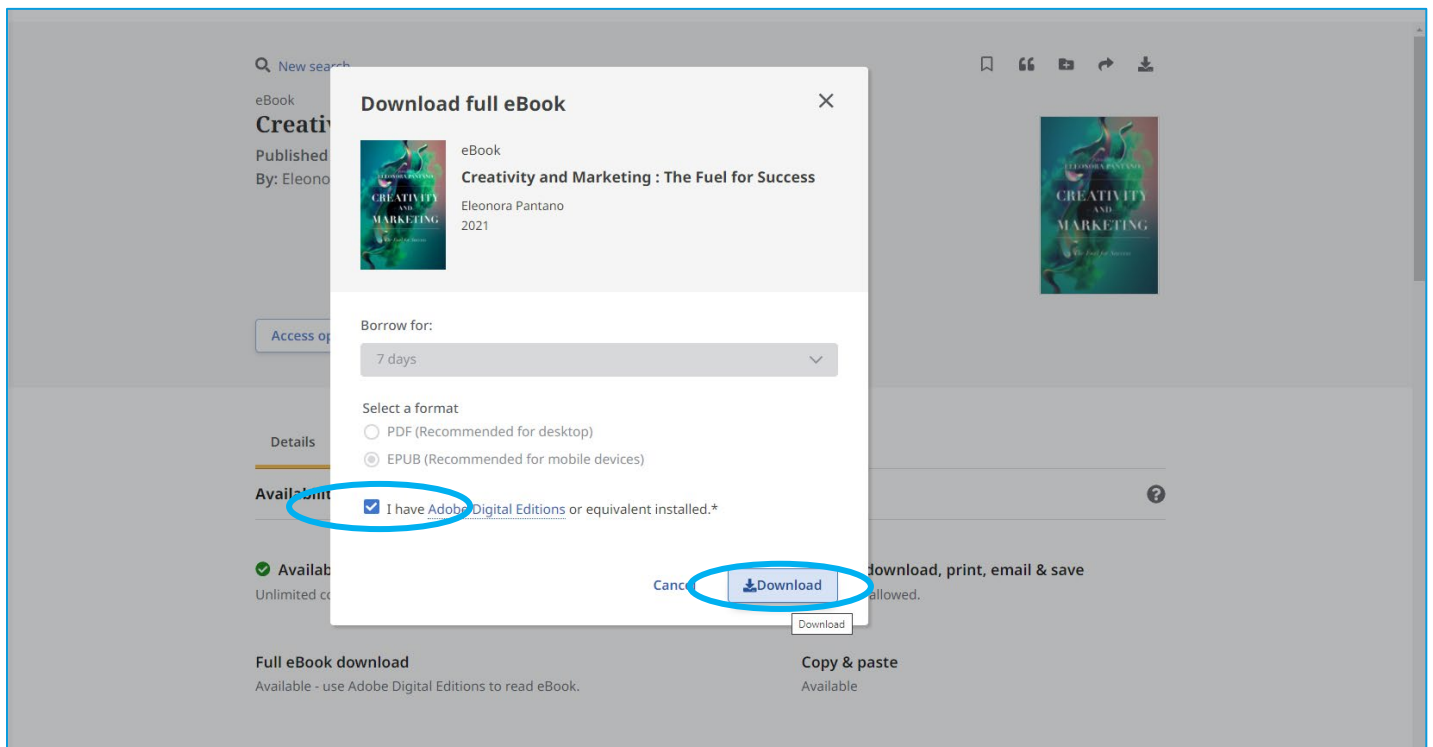
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The screenshot shows the Edinburgh College library catalog interface. On the left is a navigation sidebar with sections like 'My dashboard', 'Research tools', and 'Links'. The main content area displays the book details for 'The little book of sociology : a pocket guide to the study of society.' by Rasha Barrage. A dropdown menu titled 'Access options' is open, and the option 'eBook Full Text' is highlighted with a blue circle. Below this, there are sections for 'Title', 'Language', 'Authors', and 'Publication Information'.

The screenshot shows the VLEBOOKS interface for the same book. The top navigation bar includes 'Home', 'Bookshelf', 'Advanced Search', and 'Help'. The book cover is displayed on the left. The main text area contains a description of the book. Below the cover, a list of actions is shown, with the 'Download' button highlighted by a blue circle. On the right, there is a 'Table of Contents' section listing various chapters and sections of the book.