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Text of your email: I am a long time consumer of books, both print, and in more recent years, digital as well. I spend \$50 - \$100 per month on digital books, and have done so since about 1999.

We digital readers have been treated poorly by publishers for years. They have been slow to digitize books. When they finally did make digital copies available, they would "window" them, meaning paper books would be released first and digital books would be released later, without any price reduction. The digital copies of their books are often poorly formatted, with serious errors, and often without color covers.

The Rev. Elizabeth M. Krentz-Wee
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Digital readers are also subjected to paying the same cost for digital books or sometimes even increased costs despite having far fewer rights. While I have over 5000 digital books in my library - paid for, all of them, unless offered free by a legal bookseller online. But I do not "own" them. I can't lend the book to a family member or friend. I can't transfer a book from one device to another. (I own a Barnes and Noble Nook, which cannot read Amazon Kindle books, and vice versa.) I can't resell the book.

My copyright rights as a reader are totally ignored under the ebook model and having to pay increased prices as a result of an improper conspiracy by the publishers is outrageous. I was glad to see that the DOJ was bringing suit.

Now, while I don't think the DOJ settlement does enough to protect readers and their rights, it is a step in the right direction. Therefore, please consider this email as support for the settlement.

Best regards,

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