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Hi

I am delighted to let you know that the Post-Secondary Alternate Format Textbooks, Manitoba Education Citizenship and Youth Special Materials Services library <<http://www.edu.gov.mb.ca/k12/blind/text/postsec.htm>> has produced the APA Publication Manual (2001) in both accessible PDF and Word versions. They will loan the book for a school year but note that, if possible, the book should be requested through the provincial agency that looks after alternate format texts for students with print impairments.

If students are not sure whom to contact, the Coordinator, Susan Doerksen <Susan.Doerksen@gov.mb.ca (204) 945-8157>, could get people in touch with their respective agencies. This is required to fulfill copyright restrictions.

Not only does this story have a happy ending, but the student who needed the book told me that both PDF and Word versions were especially well done and that both are accessible to the latest version of Jaws.

But please note that this single happy ending does not, of course, deal with the larger problems of (1) no eText from RFB&D to Canadians, (2) the need for individual students to have to pay for reference books that other students need not buy, and (3) the problematic and erratic loan system involving delivery of alternate format texts to students in a timely manner.

Many thanks to the folks who responded with offers of help both to the list and privately.

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