



## What is Adobe DRM and How to Remove it?

Adobe Digital Editions uses the proprietary ADEPT (stands for Adobe Digital Experience Protection Technology) digital rights management scheme to encrypt the content. The Adobe Digital Editions DRM (abbreviate to Adobe DRM) is a protection against piracy that some publishers apply to their eBooks. If you want your purchased ebooks to be at your disposal, it is necessary for you to understand what is the Adobe DRM and how to remove it from your ebooks.



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#### What is Adobe's ADEPT DRM?

ADEPT (Adobe Digital Experience Protection Technology) is the DRM (Digital Rights Management) system developed and used by Adobe to protect ebooks.

For instance, Google Play books adopt this encryption scheme. Besides, Barnes & Noble (B&N) e-books are also protected with a variant of ADEPT.

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## 2. How to Remove Adobe DRM?

To remove Adobe DRM, you will need special software, and the following is a step-by-step guide on how to remove DRM from Adobe Digital Editions, which is applicable for both Windows and Mac users.

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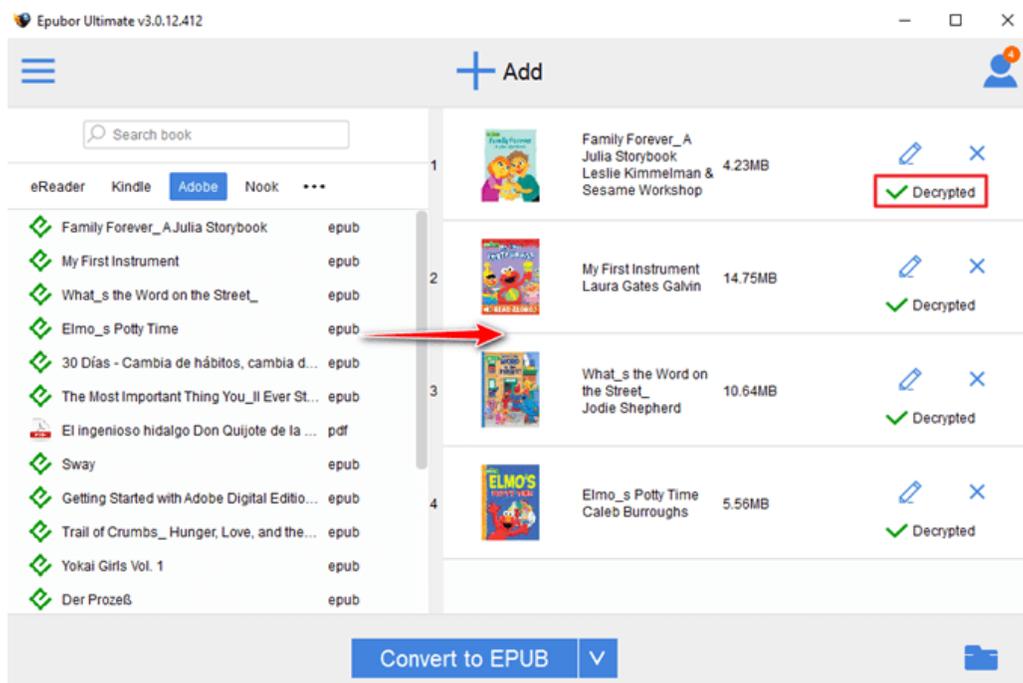
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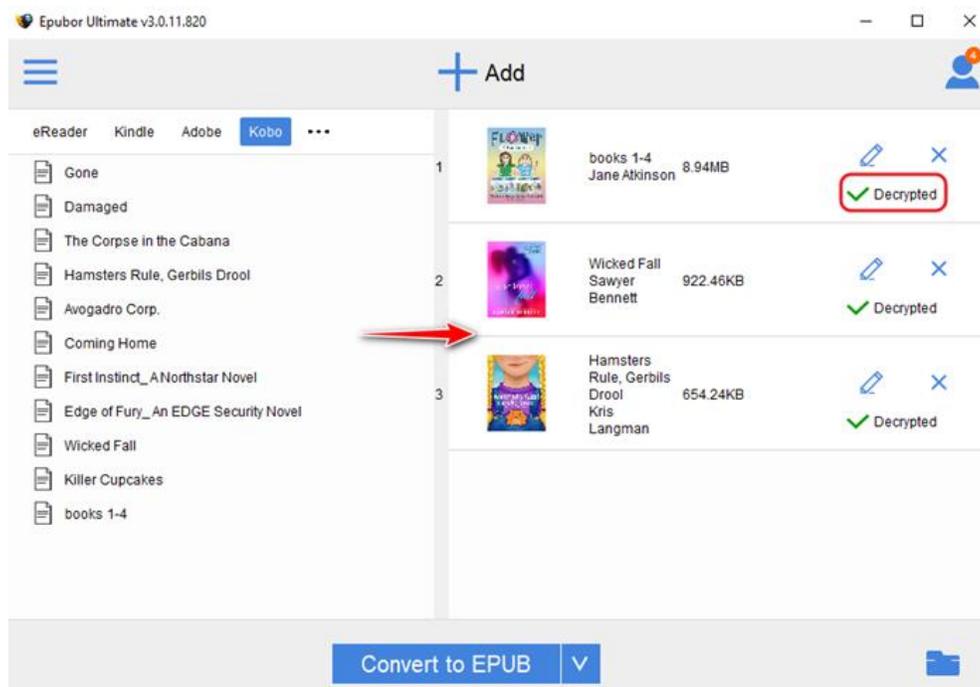


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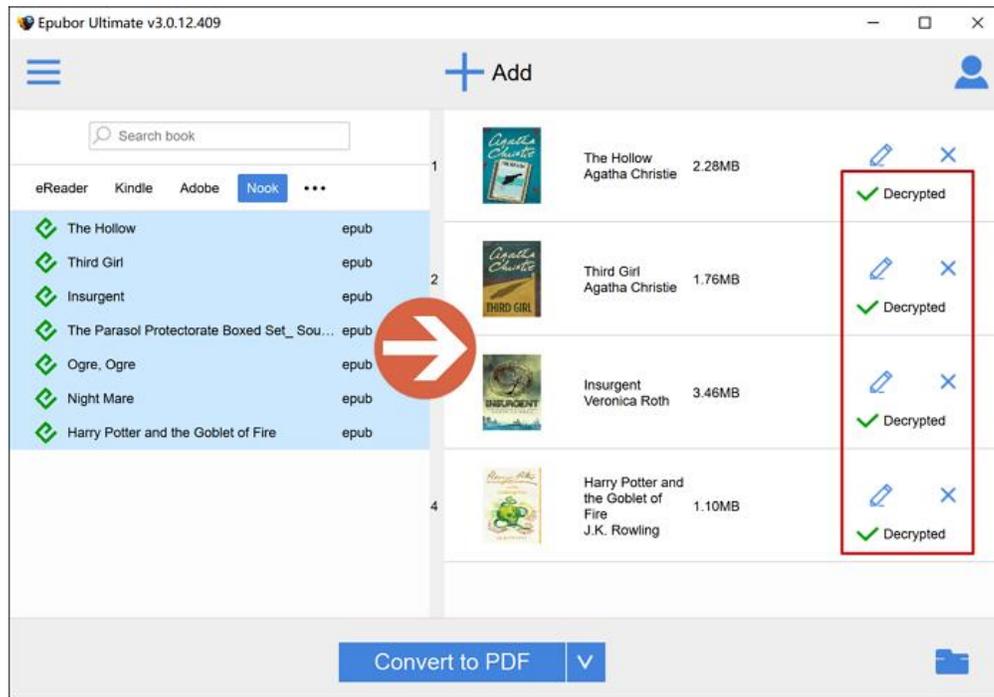
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