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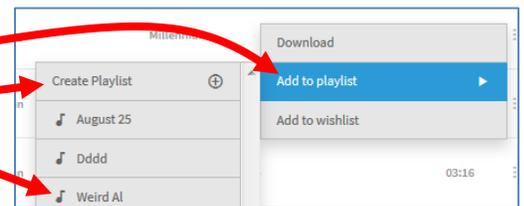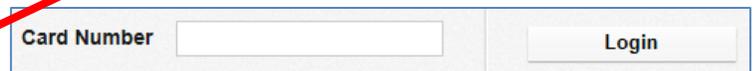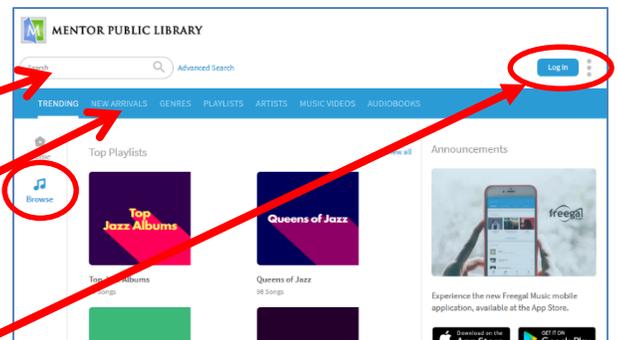
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Freegal – Free Music Downloads

Download thousands of recordings or videos by your favorite artists, legally and free! Each week library cardholders can download 5 tracks from the Sony Music catalog in the MP3 format. Save them on your iPod, burn them onto CDs. Users can also stream unlimited music directly from Freegal. *There is a Freegal app for smartphones and tablets.*
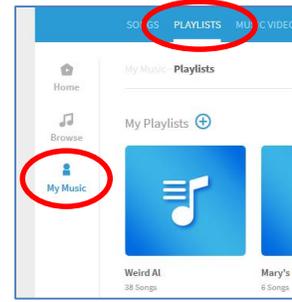
- Users get 5 download credits a week.
- A song uses 1 credit.
- A music video uses 2 credits.
- Streaming music is free.

Using Freegal:

1. Go to www.Mentorpl.org.

2. Click on the **Freegal** button.

3. Pick the item you want.
   a. Popular items are displayed on the Freegal homepage.
   b. Perform a search by typing the artist's name or song title into the search bar.
   c. **Browse** the Freegal catalog by Artist, Playlist, Genre, New Arrival, etc. by clicking on appropriate heading.

4. Click on the item.

5. **Login** to your Freegal account.
   a. Click the login button.
   b. Type your library card number into the box provided.
   c. Click **Login**.
   d. If a popup screen appears asking you to sign up for emails, you can either comply or cancel the screen. (You can check the box to make sure you are not asked again.)

6. Streaming music:
   a. Open a playlist or find a song or an album.
   b. To stream the music, click the **Stream** button.
   c. You can create playlists and add songs and albums to the lists.
      - Click the **Add to Playlist** button.
        - Click **Create Playlist** and give it a name.
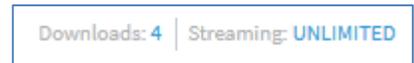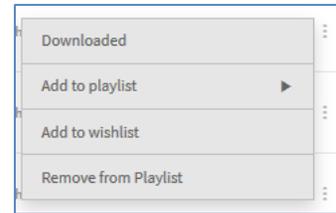   - Click on an existing playlist to add the item.

- To play a playlist:
  - ❖ In the task pane to the left, find **My Music.**
  - ❖ Click **Playlists** in the bar at the top of the page.
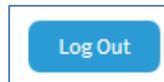 - ❖ Click on the desired Playlist.
  - ❖ Click **Stream**.

Play/Pause   **Song Title**   **Duration**   **Playlist**

"Weird Al" Yankovic - Another One Rides the Bus   02:35   00:53   Another One Rides the Bus / Polkas On 45 / Eat It

Previous Song   **Next Song**   **Volume**

7. Downloading music:
   a. Find the desired song.
   b. Click the options (⋮) button.
   c. Click **Download**.
      - If you use Internet Explorer, you will need to tell the computer where to save the file.
      - If you use a different browser, the file will automatically be saved to your computer. (The File's location will be determined by the browser used to access the item. Look in either your Downloads or Music folder.)
   d. Downloaded files will be saved in your Freegal account (**Downloads** > **My Downloads**) for 2 weeks and can be redownloaded (2 additional times) during that time.
   e. The number of downloads you have remaining per week is found at the top of the screen.

   Downloads: 4 | Streaming: UNLIMITED

8. To logout of Freegal, click **Logout**.

   Log Out

App Users:

We recommend using the computer when downloading materials.

(It can be difficult to transfer downloaded materials from the app to a computer. It is much easier to go from the computer to a mobile device.)

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