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## THE COMPLETE MAGIC TREE HOUSE SERIES LAUNCHES TODAY AS RANDOM HOUSE E-BOOKS IN NORTH AMERICA

(June 15, 2010, New York, NY)—Random House Children's Books (<u>www.randomhouse.com/kids</u>) is launching the complete *Magic Tree House* series in e-book today, making the entire series available digitally for the first time, it was announced by Chip Gibson, the company's President and Publisher. All 43 titles currently available in the beloved and bestselling *Magic Tree House* fiction series will now be available in the U.S. and Canada wherever Random House e-books are sold.

With the addition of the e-books, Mary Pope Osborne's *Magic Tree House* series is published by Random House, Inc. divisions (Random House Children's Books and Listening Library) in the now-customary three platforms—print, audio, and digital.

*"Magic Tree House* is one of the bestselling series of children's books in publishing history," said Gibson, *"It's very exciting that these beloved and extraordinary books can reach an even wider audience in the expanded world of digital publishing."* 

Mary Pope Osborne's celebrated *Magic Tree House* series has sold 70 million copies in North America and has been translated into 28 different languages in 31 countries. First published in 1992, the series continues to be widely regarded among children, teachers, and parents alike for its power to instill a passion for reading. For more information about Mary Pope Osborne and the series visit <u>www.magictreehouse.com</u>.

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