

## **NetLibrary: Mac OS X PDF plugins and configuration**

The PDF files used by NetLibrary are compatible with most supported web browsers using the Schubert|it PDF Browser Plugin, a third-party plugin that supports in-browser viewing of PDF files.

Adobe Reader 7 also works to view this NetLibrary content in most browsers, but will usually display the content in its own window rather than in the browser window; its use is discouraged. Adobe Reader 7 worked best for Safari in early 2005 but Safari now appears not to work. Version 10.2.2 of Mac OS X is required to use Adobe Reader 7.

Adobe Reader 6 cannot support NetLibrary's PDF content due to limitations of that version of Reader and an incompatibility with Mac OS X. This is beyond OCLC NetLibrary's control.

For OS 9, it is reported that Adobe has plugins available that work, but this is untested by CSD.

### **Shubert|it PDF Browser Plugin**

Mozilla, Firefox, Camino, Opera, Netscape, and Internet Explorer seem to work best with the Schubert|it PDF plugin. This is available at <http://www.schubert-it.com/pluginpdf/> and is simple to install.

Install it by opening the .dmg file you download, and then copy PDF Browser Plugin.plugin to the Library/Internet Plug-Ins folder of the hard drive. Once installed with that method, it should just work with Mozilla, Firefox, Camino, Opera, and Netscape without additional configuration. The plugin does not seem to work with Safari; Internet Explorer needs additional configuration; see below. If problems are encountered in Firefox, see the configuration section for that browser, below.

### **Safari**

Safari worked with Adobe Reader 7 until early spring of 2005. Now the content will briefly flash on the screen and then it will disappear; other times you just see a blank page and no flash of the cover photo or text.

### **Internet Explorer configuration details**

Internet Explorer works with the Schubert|it plugin from <http://www.schubert-it.com/pluginpdf/> but extra configuration is necessary. It is also possible to configure Internet Explorer to use Adobe Acrobat Reader 7, but the PDF will likely display in a separate window.

### **To configure IE to use the Schubert|it plugin, click on Explorer and Preferences.**

In the section Receiving Files, click File Helpers. Click Add...

Fill out the Edit File Helper window as shown:

Description: Adobe PDF files

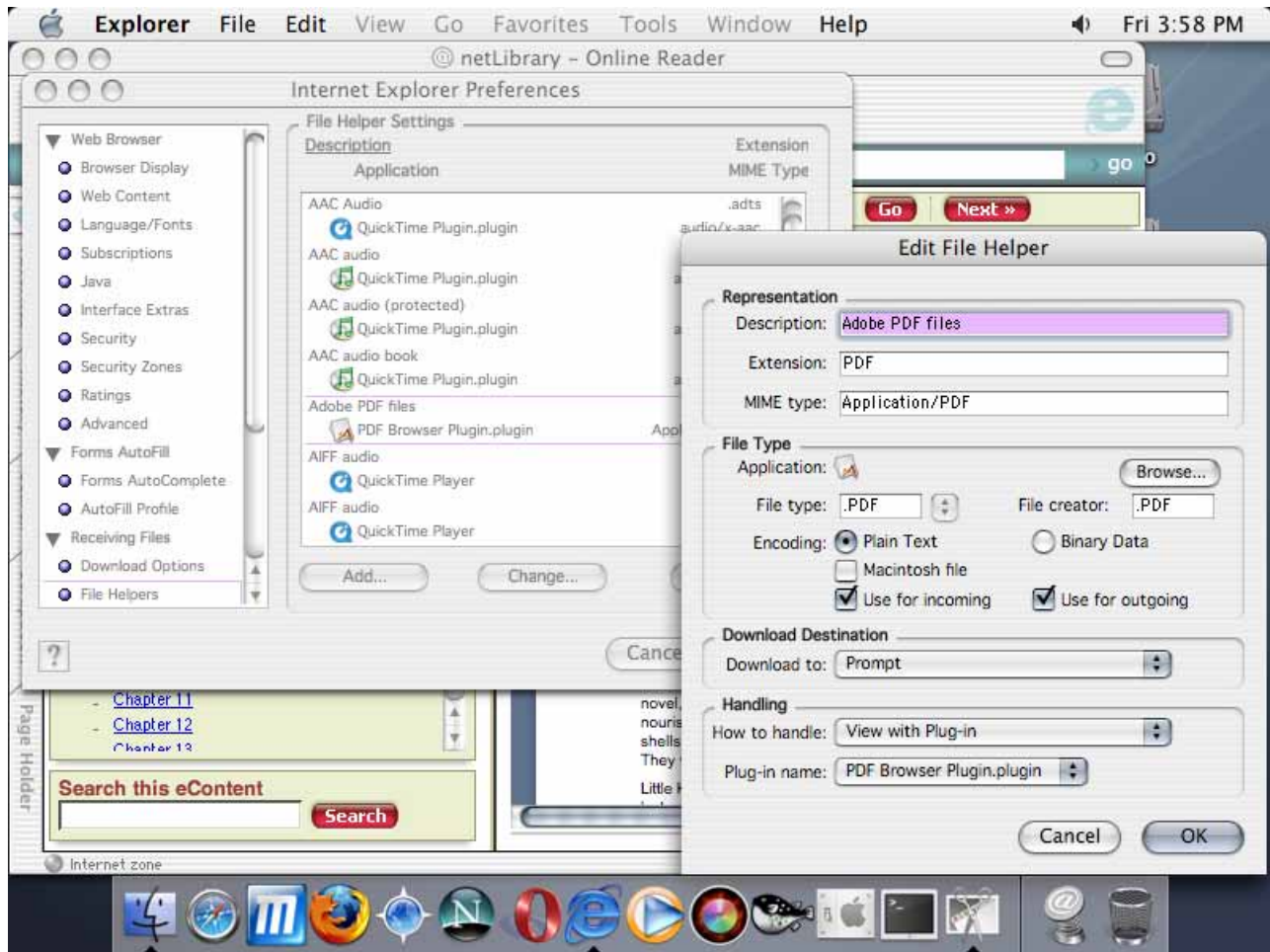
Extension: PDF

MIME type: Application/PDF

File type: .PDF

How to handle: View with Plug-in

Plug-in name: PDF Browser Plugin.plugin



## Firefox configuration details

When you first use NetLibrary on a Macintosh with Firefox, it may not be configured properly to handle the content. If a working PDF plugin is not installed or properly configured, you will get a dialog box that looks like this:

Opening nlReader.dll  
 You have chosen to open  
 nlReader.dll  
 which is a: Windows DLL  
 from: http://www.netlibrary.com

What should Firefox do with this file?

- Open with (Choose...)
- Save to Disk
- Do this automatically for files like this from now on.

(Cancel) ( OK )

First, make sure the Schubert|it plugin or Adobe Acrobat Reader 7 or above is installed. If so, click the Choose button and navigate either to the Library/Internet Plug-Ins folder and choose PDF Browser Plugin.plugin or navigate to the Applications folder in the hard drive, then navigate into the Adobe folder and select the Adobe application. Click OK. If you are using the Shubert|it plugin it will open in the same browser window in Firefox but if you are using Adobe Reader 7 the document will open in its own window.