Set up your Extras Preferences for MackinVIA

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Alexandria integrates with Mackin's eBook system MackinVIA. Let's look at setting up your Extras Preferences for MackinVIA. Note: The following Tip applies to both version 6 and 7 of Alexandria.



Unknown macro: 'multiexcerpt-include-macro'

To enable MackinVIA integration*:

- 1. From Tools, open Preferences.
- 2. Under the Management category, click on Extras.
- 3. Select MackinVIA from the list on the left.
- 4. Check the box to Enable MackinVIA.
- 5. Fill in the Vendor URL (e.g. [1]) for your reference.
- 6. Enter the Account ID.
- 7. Enter the MackinVIA Code.
- 8. Save the preference.

What is the 'Account ID'?

The Account ID is your MackinVIA account ID; if you don't know your Account ID, please contact MackinVIA (800)-245-9540; if you don't have one yet, you can register for one at the Mackin website: [2]

What is this 'MackinVIA Code'?

The MackinVIA Code, which MackinVIA refers to as the Terminal Password, is essentially a password which you create and provide to Mackin. It allows MackinVIA to communicate with Alexandria in order to authenticate Alexandria patrons. Be sure the code is no less than seven alphanumerics (letters or numbers), without spaces, punctuation, or special characters.

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