Miss Reading in Public? Bring the Sounds of the Library to Your Home

The New York Public Library has compiled an album of noises we miss—including the sound of the library itself.

Each track, NYPL says, contains its own little narrative: “The Library recording, for example, follows a New Yorker entering a branch, running into a tour group, interacting with a helpful librarian looking to make a reading recommendation, walking past a toddler story time and then sitting down to begin quiet work.”