

# E-readers

continued

stainless-steel foil. Buyers (price not announced yet) can get content through 3G and Wi-fi connections.

The Que ProReader from Plastic Logic is 8.5x11", and ultrathin—geared for professionals. Its screen and body are made from shatterproof plastic. \$650, available from Barnes and Noble.

Alex, from Spring Designs, has a larger screen above a smaller that runs Google's Android OS. At \$359, it's in the ballpark, available this month.

Samsung's e101, in two sizes, six and ten inches, uses Wi-fi and Bluetooth to connect. It has a slide-out button pad at the bottom. They are tentatively priced at \$400 and \$700 (10").

The iRiver Story looks like



**Samsung's e-101 \$400**

a Kindle, and is shipping now. It's .36 inches thick and has a 6" e-ink display with an included

mp3 player, something many others lack. Also included—USB expandability and a SD card slot for \$290 (estimated).

Entourage Systems "dual-book" Edge e-reader is called that because of the hinged "book" design. Along with Wi-fi connectivity, the Edge has a

9.7" e-ink display along with a 10" LCD color screen. It will be released soon for an estimated \$499.

While all of these e-readers do one thing well-- that is read books and papers, they are not computing devices.

By the time you read this, Ap-

ple computer may have changed the market with the announcement of a tablet computer. Unlike previous products they have announced, speculation on this one has been rampant, allowing rival manufacturers to get similar products into production.



iRiver's "Story" takes a spin from the Kindle-- expected to cost \$290.



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