Create iBook PDFs in Safari with iOS 9

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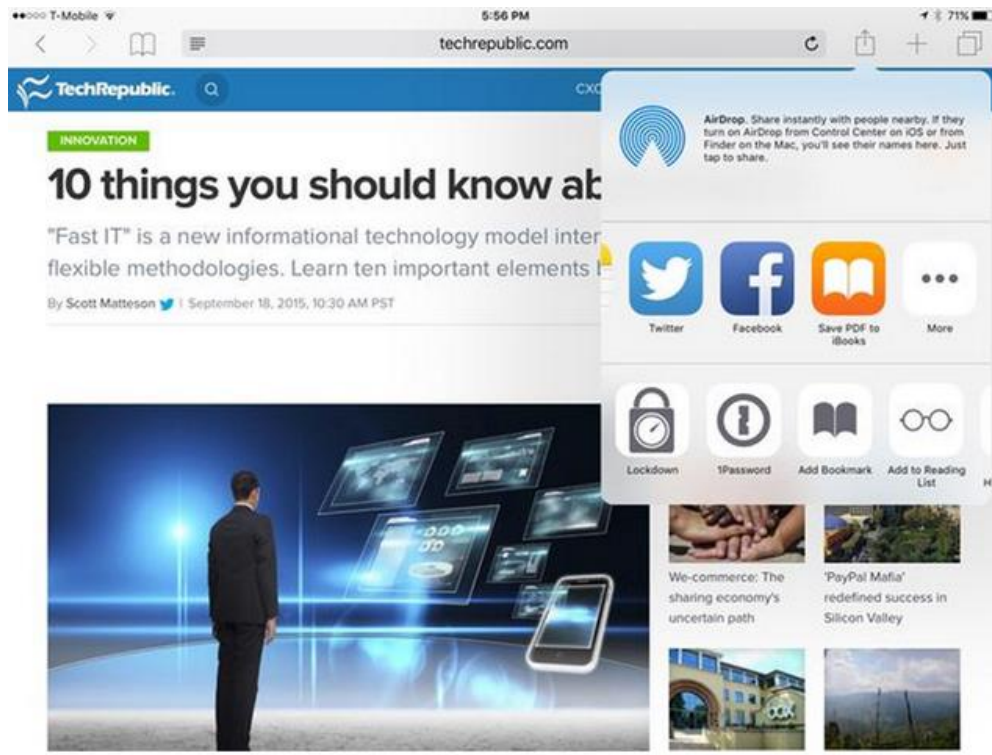
iOS 9 includes a lot of new features that makes iOS even more powerful as a mobile operating system. Cory Bohon shows you one of these new features that lets you turn web pages in PDF.

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Once it's installed, perform these steps to generate a PDF from a web page:

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