

The Dewey Decimal System

Invented by librarian Melvyl Dewey



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General Works

(Information you need to learn)

Encyclopedias
Newspapers
Books about libraries
Internet



500-599

Natural Science

(Man thinks about Nature)

Anything that happens by itself:
Rocks, trees, weather, oceans,
rivers, wild animals, dinosaurs,
plants, space, moon, stars, sun,
math, time, chemistry



100-199

Philosophy & Psychology

(Man thinks about himself)

Things we don't understand:
UFO's
Ghosts
Bigfoot
Aliens from outer space



600-699

Applied Science

(Man thinks about his world)

Cars, boats, planes, cookbooks,
computers, pets, farm animals,
medicine, human body



200-299

Religion

(Man thinks about God)

Any religion:
Catholic, Jewish, Baptist, etc.
Mythology



700-799

Arts & Recreation

(Man thinks about leisure time)

Dance, music, theater, drawing,
jokes, riddles, sports



300-399

Social Sciences

(Man thinks about others)

Law & Government
Jobs & Money
Families & holidays
Folk & Fairy Tales



800-899

Literature

(Man becomes a storyteller)

Any literature: Spanish, French,
English; Shakespeare, Poems, Plays



400-499

Languages

(Man wants to communicate)

Any language
French, German, Italian
Dictionaries from any language
Books on sign language



900-999

History, Geography & Biography

(Man thinks about history)

Countries, States
Biographies, historical events
Wars, travel books