



Some Frequently Asked Questions

What are Dewey numbers?

They are the numbers used to arrange books into subjects e.g. 242 for books on prayer, or 920 for books about people's lives. In our library these numbers are written on the spine of the book. In this catalogue the Dewey numbers are the numbers on the far right of each page.

But why do some books have letters, not numbers, written

on the spine?

These are the fiction books. The letters are the first three letters of the author's surname e.g. Books by Frank Peretti are listed under PER.

And why do some numbers have V, or Y or C in front of them?

V is for books loaned by Ian and Tania Vail, Y is for Youth (teenagers') books and C is for Children's books.

Happy browsing.

Our library is very much a work in progress. Do let us know if you have suggestions or need help – and thank you to the many generous contributors to this collection.

From *The Librarians*

Some Useful Dewey Catalogue Categories

Abortion: 179 (ethics)

363.4 (social issue)

Addictions: 362.2 (social problem)

Adopted children: 306.8

Adoption: 362.7 (social implication)

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Ageing process: 571

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