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Welcome to the Library!

The Library is now on two floors!

The **FIRST FLOOR** has the Children's Library and the Sal Room (for programs and meetings), as well as the Help desk, public computers, Digital Café, display shelves, and the copier/printer.

The **SECOND FLOOR** has the Adult and Young Adult (YA) book and media collections, the Vermont collection, periodicals, two reading areas, and two small meeting/study rooms. The John R. Grenier reading area occupies a bright, windowed alcove near the New Adult Books. The Joan Myers Gibson reading area overlooks Dac Rowe Field and the Winooski Valley. Young Adult books are on low shelves extending most of the length of the room on the parking lot side of the building. The Vermont collection is just beyond the YA collection.

From Dewey to Neighborhoods

For many years our library used the Dewey Decimal System (DDS) to organize the nonfiction collections. With the move to the new building, the Library now use a system of color-coded groupings or neighborhoods to organize the nonfiction and picture book collections. Each category has several related subcategories. A strip of colored tape at the top of a book's spine indicates the book's neighborhood, and the label on the spine gives the subcategory where the book is shelved.

NONFICTION Neighborhoods and color codes are:

TALES & LITERATURE -- Folktales, fairytales, mythology, ancient classics, drama, essays, poetry, literary criticism, grammar, language.

MAKING & CREATING -- Arts (visual art, architecture, fashion, film, theater, music), cooking, food, crafts, home improvement and decoration, and DIY.

SCIENCE & NATURE -- Science, math, technology, plants, animals, pets and pet care, farming and gardening, the environment and sustainable living.

SELF -- Health, medicine, mind and spirit (including religion, psychology, ethics, philosophy) and relationships.

WORK -- Business, computers, higher education, personal finance. (Second floor only)

PLAY -- Collecting, games, sports, pastimes.

PEOPLE & PLACES -- Lives (formerly biography & memoir), travel, geography, holidays and customs, society, true crime.

THEN & NOW -- History, political science, current affairs.

FAMILY -- Parenting, name books. (First floor only)

White 

Orange 

Green 

Pink 

Brown 

Red 

Light blue 

Dark blue 

Magenta 

PICTURE BOOKS (first floor) are also color-coded. Their Neighborhoods include:

TALES – Folktales, fairy tales, fables, mythology.

THINGS THAT GO – Cars, trucks, trains, bikes, boats, planes, construction vehicles, etc.

ANIMAL STORIES – Bears, mice, horses, etc.

CELEBRATIONS – Holidays

ARTS & LIVES – Artists, musicians, famous people, etc.

CONCEPTS – ABC’s, numbers, math, colors, shapes, size, time, opposites, grammar, vocabulary.

FAVORITE CHARACTERS – From Barbar to Pete the Cat and many more.

NATURE – Seasons, weather, pets, wildlife, insects.

RHYMES & SONGS – Mother Goose, songbooks, poetry, rhyming stories.

ADVENTURES & MORE – More just-for-fun stories.

GROWING UP/ ALL ABOUT ME -- Emotions, self-confidence, fears, manners, behaviors, friendship, milestones (new bed, going to school, etc.)

PARENTING – Books that can help children with challenges, from potty training to grief.

White	
Yellow	
Green	
Light blue	
Brown	
Red	
Dark blue	
Light green	
Lavender	
Orange	
Pink	
Magenta	

IMPORTANT Information for BORROWERS

Loan Periods

Most of our books and audio books (CD’s) can be borrowed for 3 weeks and renewed twice. New books and new CD’s can be borrowed for 2 weeks and renewed once. DVD’s can be borrowed for 2 weeks and may not be renewed. Borrowers may have up to a total of 4 adult DVD’s and 2 child’s DVD’s checked out on their account at one time. Waterbury Public Library (WPL) is part of the Catamount Library Network (CLN), a consortium with over 400,000 items. Any items you request from other CLN libraries will have the same loan periods as WPL’s. CLN Libraries do not loan new items outside the home library.

Fees

Borrowers are expected to make an effort to return materials when they due. You can log in through the Library’s website to renew checked-out items, or call 244-7036. The Library does not charge fines for overdue materials; however, borrowers may be charged full replacement cost for items kept long overdue.

Your Library Card

Don’t lose that library card! The number on the back of the card is your user name to log in to your library account to renew checked out items and place holds on books at other libraries in the Catamount Library Network. Your password is the last 5 digits of that number. Type both numbers without spaces.

Your library card number is also your passport to a whole menu of free digital resources, including

OverDrive for free eBooks (user name = barcode number; PIN = last 5 digits. No spaces.)

- OneClick Digital for free eAudio books and eBooks (use barcode number to set up account)
- Mango Languages -- learn one of 70 foreign languages online (barcode number to log in)
- HeritageQuest Online for family history research (barcode number to log in)
- Universal Class -- 500 continuing education courses available free (barcode number needed to set up account)