# Core Collections

### Your bookshelves need attention from **beginning to end.**

## Core Collections is the gold standard collection development tool

This comprehensive guide helps you build and maintain well-rounded collections of nonfiction and fiction books. Each Core Collection contains authoritative recommendations that are vendor and publisher neutral, and all titles are chosen with guidance by expert librarians.





### **3 unmatched ways to use Core Collections**

- For purchasing. Each collection is designed to help you in the discovery, evaluation, and selection of titles. The search capabilities of Core Collections allow you to research potential titles by Dewey Decimal ranges, Lexile, publication date, grade level, and more.
- For budget choices. All titles are assigned to a recommendation level: Essential, Recommended, Supplemental, or Weeded. The levels help you prioritize and spend your precious budget wisely.
- **For weeding.** Wondering whether a certain title ought to be discarded? Or would you like proactive help with weeding? Libraries use Core Collections to make those difficult decisions easy.





"We use Core Collections on a daily basis for our collection work from selection to weeding to help us balance demand and collection depth against budget constraints. Alerts help staff to get the information they need for their selection needs and recommendation levels make it easy for us to judge which titles should get extra copies if we have money at the end of the year."

Dianne Coan, Fairfax County Public Library

#### The full suite of Core Collections

Each collection includes thousands of titles, updated monthly, and comes with powerful search and filtering tools. Our collections can be compared against your local collection to give you a complete picture of strengths and gaps. The full suite of Core Collections provides holistic guidance for your entire collection, as well as micro-collections. Buy them all together for the best coverage.

**Fiction Core Collection:** This key collection is perfect for libraries of all sizes navigating the vast adult fiction market.

**Nonfiction Core Collection:** This important collection provides guidance for adult nonfiction collections, and for keeping up with those subject areas that are hard to stay on top of.

**Core Collection en Español:** Our newest collection, introduced in 2023, assists libraries faced with the challenges of establishing and growing a collection for their Spanish-language readers.

**Children's Core Collection:** The ideal collection development and curriculum support resource for anyone who works with children's books. Absolutely wonderful for school libraries and children's departments.

#### Middle & Junior High Core Collection:

An essential resource for anyone who works with middle grade books. Highly recommended for school libraries, and children and teen collections.

**Senior High Core Collection:** This collection covers young adult books and adult books with teen appeal, making it perfect for anyone wishing to curate a comprehensive young adult literature collection. Exceedingly helpful for teen departments and high school libraries.

**Graphic Novels Core Collection:** Especially useful for libraries who want to build and maintain a popular graphic novel collection. It's a complicated format to organize: age levels, themes, storylines, different series, the different arcs that play into a larger story. We can help with this!

Read more and request a demo of Core Collections at **www.ebsco.com/ novelist/products/core-collections** 

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