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## H.W. Wilson Announces the 17<sup>th</sup> Edition of *Public Library Core Collection: Nonfiction*

*Public Library Core Collection: Nonfiction* is a selective list of books recommended for the general adult audience, together with professional aids for librarians and library media specialists. This edition includes more than 14,000 book titles with multiple subject access. The newer titles help in identifying areas in a collection that can be updated or strengthened. An expanded list of works for the librarian or media specialist includes bibliographies and other resources for selection and evaluation of materials; recommended subject headings derived from *Sears List of Subject Headings*, a suggested classification number from *Abridged Dewey Decimal Classifications and Relative Index*, a brief description of the contents, and, whenever possible, an evaluation from a quoted source. It also features "short list" indicators to highlight the "most highly recommended" works in a given category or subject area.

The Core Collection is organized into two parts: the **Classified Collection**; and an **Author, Title, and Subject Index**.

**Part 1: Classified Collection,** This is arranged according to the Dewey Decimal Classification. Within classes, arrangement is by main entry, with complete bibliographical and cataloging information given for each book. The classified arrangement, along with the descriptive and critical annotations, provides a useful guide to book selection. Entries include such information as price and ISBN to facilitate acquisitions. The information supplied for each book includes, bibliographic description, suggested subject headings, an annotation, and frequently, an evaluation from a quote source. Within classes, works are arranged alphabetically under main entry, usually the author. Works of individual biography are arranged alphabetically under the biography's subject.

**Part 2: Author, Title, and Subject Index,** This is a comprehensive key to the Classified List with entries for authors, titles, and subjects. The Index is a single alphabetical list of all the books entered in the Core Collection. Each book is entered under author; title (if distinctive); and subject. The classification number, displayed in boldface type, is the key to the location of the main entry for the book in the Classified Collection. Appropriate added entries are made for joint authors and editors.

Every entry has been carefully selected by experienced librarians from public library systems and academic libraries across the United States. These specialists represent a diversity of backgrounds in

librarianship for young people and possess a wealth of experience on national juries and American Library Association committees.

Public Library Core Collection: Nonfiction, Fifteenth Edition is designed to serve a number of purposes:

- An aid in purchasing: Designed to assist in the selection of ordering titles, may be used to indentify parts of the library collection that should be updated or strengthened.
- An aid to the reader's advisor: The work of the reader's advisor is furthered by the information about sequels and companion volumes and the descriptive and critical annotations in the Classified Collection, and by the subject access in the Index.
- An aid in verification of information: For this purpose full bibliographical data are provided in the Classified Collection. Notes describe editions available, awards, publication history, and other titles in the series.
- As an aid in collection maintenance: Information about titles available on a subject facilitates decisions to rebind, replace, or discard items.

H.W. Wilson's *Core Collections* provide collection development support helpful to school libraries of all sizes. Designed by librarians for librarians, these informative collections act as a helpful guide through the thousands of fiction, non-fiction and children's titles on the market today. They provide invaluable support for collection development and maintenance, reader's advisory, and curriculum support.

The *Public Library Core Collection: Nonfiction* is an essential resource for library and media specialists looking to enhance and enrich their collection with the most important and highly recommended titles currently available.

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