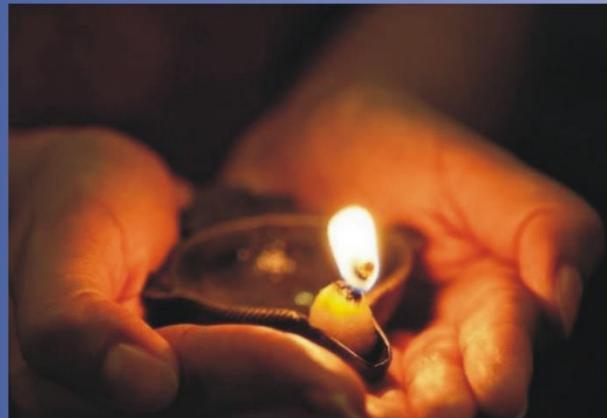


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Read in the Name of The Lord who created  
(All the exists).

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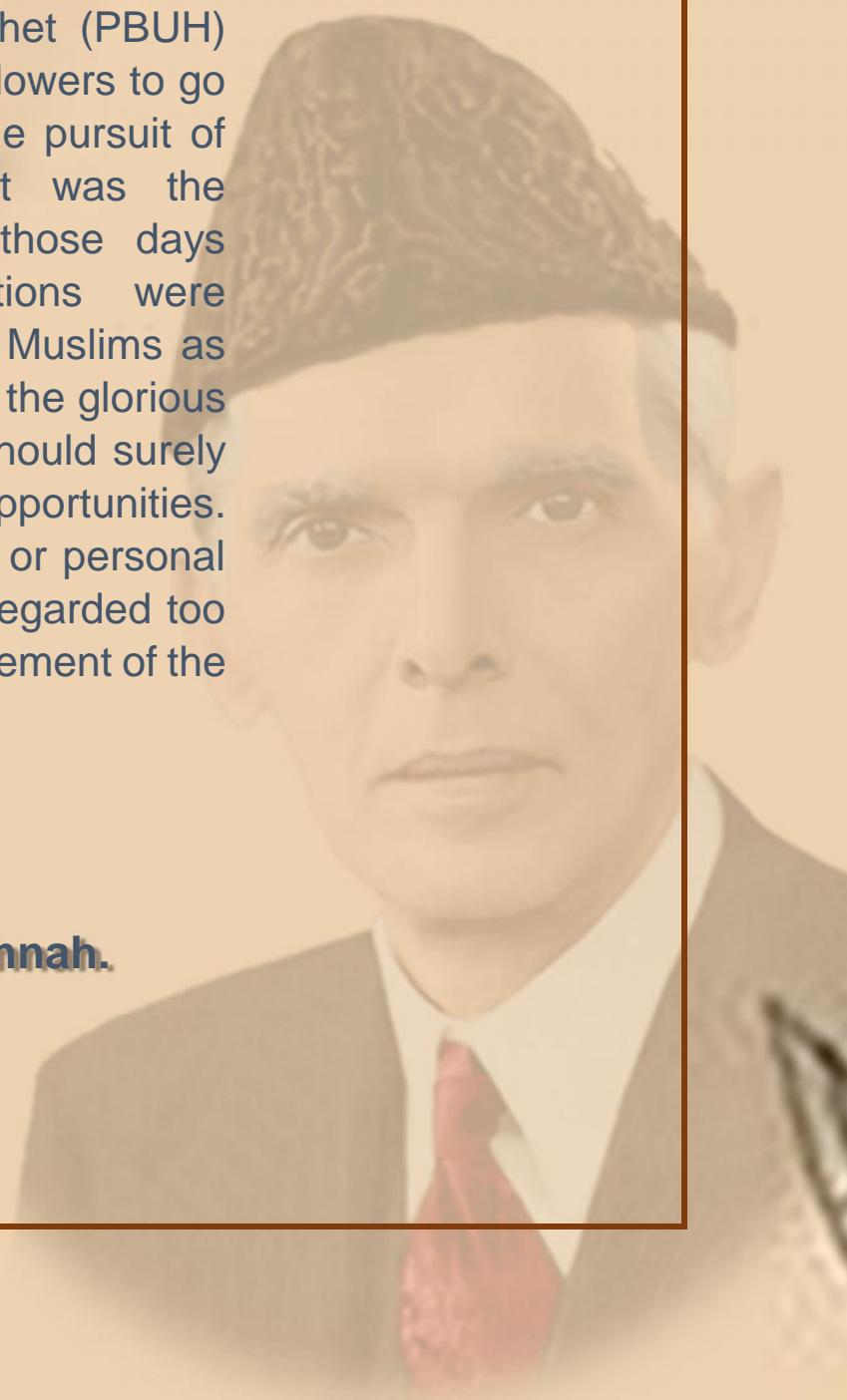
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اور سکھائے۔

The best among you (Muslim) are  
those who learn and teach the Quran.

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Without education it is complete darkness and with education it is light. Education is a matter of life and death to our nation. The world is moving so fast that if you do not educate yourselves, you will be not only completely left behind, but will be finished up. The Holy Prophet (PBUH) had enjoined his followers to go even to China in the pursuit of knowledge. If that was the commandment in those days when communications were difficult, then, truly, Muslims as the true followers of the glorious heritage of Islam, should surely utilize all available opportunities. No sacrifice of time or personal comfort should be regarded too great for the advancement of the cause of education.

**Quaid-e-Azam,  
Muhammad Ali Jinnah.  
Father of the Nation.**



# EDITORIAL

## By the grace of Allah we made it!

I am grateful to Allah who enabled us to perform this uphill task. I would like to thank the entire team of this magazine for their diligent and scrupulous efforts.

Being the part of the team and editorial board was truly an experience of lifetime and I will cherish the memories made, forever.

Life is a rollercoaster, make sure you enjoy every bit of it and make sure you leave a mark while you are here because it will be over before you know it. This world is your game and you are a player, keep grinding, keep working and you will win because you are meant to win.

After efforts and hard work of collection, selection and editing altogether, our team proudly presents you “**Bada e Ilm**” 2022.

This magazine is created to give a platform to students of department of Library and Information Science, University of Karachi to express and let their voices be heard.

So, sit back and prepare to be mesmerized by the flair of the students, which is truly worthy of applause. Let us all appreciate the work of these young students and I promise that their work will leave a smile on your face.

- **Dr. Muhammad Waseem Zia.**

Assistant Professor, Department of Library and Information Science. University of Karachi.

# KNOW OUR DEPARTMENT

SYEDA SANA ZEHRA (BS-4)

The Library and Information Science Department is dedicated towards educating individuals for both conventional and emerging occupations in librarianship. The department offers library and information science education at the university level for the first time in Pakistan. The department has been educating students for careers in libraries, information agencies, and other information-related disciplines for more than 50 years.

When it was established in 1956, the Department of Library Sciences was the first in Pakistan to provide a professional degree in this discipline. In 1962, the first Masters of Library Science (MLS) degrees were given. Since 1982, the department has been known as the Department of Library and Information Sciences, with information control and management as an important element of the curriculum. In 1984, a cataloguing and computer lab was constructed which was the first to be built in all of Pakistan's Library and Information Science institutions, as well as University of Karachi's faculty of Arts.

Prof. Dr. Abdul Moid was the founder chairman of said Department. Dr. Abdul Moid was the first Ph.D. holder in Library Science from USA (as early as 1964). The founding members of the department include Mr. Habib-uddin Ahmad Qazi, Mr. Mohammad Shafi, Mr. Noor Mohammad Khan, Mr. Mohammad Nuras Safa and Miss. Dora Dean. The President's Pride of Performance Award was given to professor Dr. Anis Khurshid, who is known as Pakistan's "Father of Modern Librarianship."

## **The department's objectives are as follows:**

- establish a library association in Pakistan;
- conduct research in the field of library and information science;
- organize and participate in regional, national and international conferences, seminars and other intellectual activities;
- produce professionals in the field of library and information science;



- conduct library workshops for continuing education of working librarians in Pakistan; and
- cooperate in library activities of other library organizations in Pakistan.

### **TEACHING AND ASSESSMENT:**

Lectures, practical sessions, presentations, group discussions, study excursions, and extension lectures are all part of the department's curriculum. The performance evaluation in semester examinations, as well as other projects, assignments, reports, and presentations, is the basis for assessment.

### **FACILITIES:**

The Department of Library and Information Science provides excellent learning environment to the students. The department is located on the first and second floors of the Faculty of Arts, just across from the University's main cafeteria. Information desks, faculty rooms, seminar library, computer labs, classification and cataloguing labs, and classrooms are all part of the department.

### **DR. ABDUL MOID MEMORIAL LIBRARY**

The department's seminar library is designed to meet the requirements of both students and professors. More than 3000 books, 300 thesis, a few dissertations and back volumes of 50 publications on library and information science are housed in the seminar library. The library can accommodate a total of 40 people. The library is open Monday through Friday from 9 am to 3 pm.



### **DR. ANIS KHURSHID COMPUTER LAB:**

A computer lab has been set up for the department's students and faculty. The lab has 32 computer terminals that may be used at the same time and is connected to the internet through a local area network (LAN). It allows unrestricted access to important information resources in real time. A multimedia projector and laser printer are also available in the computer lab.



### **CATALOGUING AND CLASSIFICATION LAB:**

There is a separate Cataloguing and Classification Laboratory in the department. The Dewey Decimal Classification Scheme, Library of Congress Classification Scheme, Library of Congress Subject Heading List, and Sears List of Subject Heading are all current editions in the lab. Students and faculty members have complete access to these information resources.



## **FACULTY:**

The DLIS faculty comprises of teachers with high academic qualifications and rich professional experience. All the faculty members are specialized in their respective area of study. The faculty ensures the high quality of education in the field of Library and Information Science.

### **Dr. Rafat Parveen Siddiqui:**

Dr. Rafat Parveen Siddiqui is Associate professor and Chairperson in Department of Library and Information Science, University of Karachi. Dr. Rafat Parveen has done her Ph.D. from University of Karachi and is been serving for more than 20 years. She is a member of Pakistan Library Association (PLA) and her areas of interest are reference, classification and indexing.

### **Dr. Naveed-e-Sehar:**

Dr. Naveed-e-Sehar is assistant professor in Department of Library and Information Science, University of Karachi. She has done her Ph.D. from the same university and has been teaching and facilitating research for more than 20 years. She is also a member of Pakistan Library Association (PLA). Her areas of interest are indexing, bibliography and management of libraries.

### **Dr. Muhammad Waseem Zia:**

Dr. Muhammad Waseem Zia is currently serving Department of Library and Information Science, University of Karachi as an assistant professor. He has more than 15 years university teaching and research experience. He's a Ph.D. from University of Karachi and has 5 years' experience as professional librarian. His areas of interest are automation of libraries, library software and digital libraries.

**Mr. Rashid Ali:**

Mr. Rashid Ali is currently a lecturer in Department of Library and Information Science, University of Karachi. He has done MLIS from University of Karachi and MS(CS) from Muhammad Ali Jinnah University. Mr. Rashid Ali has more than 7 years of teaching and research experience. He is currently pursuing M.Phil. in Library and Information Science.

**Mrs. Rabia Aslam:**

Mrs. Rabia Aslam is working as lecturer in Department of Library and Information Science, University of Karachi. She has done her MLIS from University of Karachi. She has up-to 7 years University teaching and research experience. She is currently pursuing M.Phil. in Library and Information Science.

**I've always imagined that paradise will be a kind of library.**

-Jorge Luis Borges

# MY TIME AT KARACHI UNIVERSITY

Azra Qureshi (Alumni)

I graduated from KU, Dept of Library Science 1971-73. Drifted to this profession due to a Chinese Lady Mrs. Pao, whose husband was my father's colleague and they played tennis also after office in Bangkok Sports Club. Mrs Pao was Central Library Coordinator in ISB which was the largest International School in the world. Due to the Vietnam war, families of these GIs were stationed in Bangkok close to American faujis fighting in Vietnam. ISB had four campuses and some 8,000 student population. So, there were four libraries, one on each campus.

Mrs Pao was a very sharp and efficient lady, hiring local support staff for these libraries, acquiring books and dealing with local people was her main responsibility. Americans were on another level. All teachers and professional staff were Americans.

After BA from Govt College for Women, Frere Road, when I returned to my home in Bangkok where my father worked in UN-ESCAP from 1954-1980, my father thought I should keep busy and teach in some school. ISB was a top school and I was sent to see Mrs Pao in this regard. Mrs Pao thought I was too young and unexposed for teaching American kids who were naughty and outgoing but could work as library assistants in Elementary Library (grade 1-6) with small children. So, that's how I ended up working in the library.

Within a year and a half, I realized I could be a professional if I got a degree in Library Science. I found out KU had a Library School which was headed by Dr. Abdul Moid. I wrote to him. Classes had begun but I got a very encouraging response from Dr Moid to immediately join. I landed in KU in the first week of January, 1971. Dr Moid even arranged a room for me in the Girls Hostel which was close to his university house. Dr Moid and family were extremely hospitable to me and helped me get over homesickness by their kindness and support. Alhamdulillah, after the strict environment of College life, I liked the freedom and openness of the University environment, even the hostel was very nice, most girls like me were from different countries of East Africa and Middle East. Education in Pakistan was considered so good and affordable for them. In my department, preparation was going on for the 8th Annual Conference. East Pakistan was still our part and many able librarians like Shams Dolla and Ahmad Ali from Dacca were there and made the conference very lively with their arguments and discussions. I also became visible by my participation and typing skills which were useful for the department.

My first class was Jalal Haider. My teachers, I. H.Zia, Akram Sabzwari, Dr Moid and later in Final Anis Khurshid also returned from the USA and taught us Public Libraries. French was taught by Mr. Lorren from Alliance Francaise. One European language was compulsory and teachers were available. Wahab Siddiqui taught Spanish and even Dr.Qadeer of International Relations could teach French. There was a lady, Ms Mumtaz, who taught Special Libraries. She came from NIPA or SUPARCO. I forget now. Khush Bukht, Dost Mohammad Faizi, Asad Ashraf, Zam Zam Khan, Parveen Shakir used to be in Arts Block, Mushairas, Sports, Debates and Cultural Fairs were organised all the time. So University life for me was very interesting which I enjoyed very much. My brother Shahid, who sadly passed away last year in August was in IBA, had a music band. They would hold concerts to which we hostel girls used to get invited. It was safe in those days even without boundary walls around. Even hostels did not have walls around which were built later.

In the University Library Anis Zuberi was Reference Section In-Charge. She adopted me immediately. I also got a work Scholarship in the final year of Rs.150 which was a lot in those days. It took care of my final year expenses. Anis Zuberi was a good looking, pleasant lady who had a lot of fans even among faculty members of other departments, like Philosophy, Geography, and Physics. She would keep me with her everywhere as bodyguards so that nobody crosses decency limits even in jokes.

One feels nostalgic going down the memory lane. A lot of water has passed through the bridge. My University no longer has that open environment. Maybe a few like IBA, Marine Biology and HEJ have maintained or developed. But generally it looks crowded and dirty with food carts and garbage all around. Many new departments have opened up as well. Wish KU administration would be strict as Dr Wahab used to be about cleanliness. Our Vice Chancellor was Ishtiaq Hussain Qureshi, later Dr Mahmood Hussain replaced him for many years. They were leaders in their own right.

There are lots of other memories. I can go on and on. Teachers were good to me and liked me as I was a good student and position holder. Those were the days my friend, I thought they will never end.

But time does not stop and life moves on five decades have gone by so quickly. It seems only yesterday AZRA QURESHI

# THINGS ABOUT LIS, PEOPLE DON'T KNOW

SYEDA SANA ZEHRA (BS-4)

The multidisciplinary field of library and information science (LIS) is concerned with the development, administration, and use of information in all of its forms. LIS draws together a number of theoretical perspectives and is taught at both, the undergraduate and graduate levels in colleges and universities. Its concentration is on information representations as well as the technology and organizations that provide access to information.

The research domain is relatively new, having emerged in the late 1960s and early 1970s, although its origins may be traced back to the 18<sup>th</sup> century. The first, library science, has attempted to overcome the issues of organizing and giving access to material collections. The second, information science, aims to comprehend information's qualities and how to handle it.



## CAREER OPTIONS?

Information Science positions tend to focus on using information as a strategic advantage for a variety of organizations, including NGOs, companies, government agencies, and others. Data analyst, UX designer, corporate taxonomist, web content analyzer, digital archivist, and other occupations in information technology are only a few examples. Individuals often seek a Bachelor's or Master's degree in Information Sciences to prepare for these occupations.

Library Science (LIS) positions can be found in a range of contexts, such as schools, public libraries, and academic libraries. Academic librarians, legal librarians, school librarians, data curators, instruction librarians, and emerging technology librarians are just a few of the professions available to those interested in a career in LIS.

### **IS IT GOOD FIT FOR YOU?**

You would flourish in an LIS profession if you enjoy dealing with people, being a part of high-performing teams, organizing information, researching hard-to-find information, and converting technology into solutions, systems, and strategic and actionable outcomes.

Working with children and early literacy, helping a community grow and thrive, or working with geographic information to identify patterns and emerging trends for grant-funded programs are all possibilities for a career in library and information sciences if you're passionate about contributing to the common good.

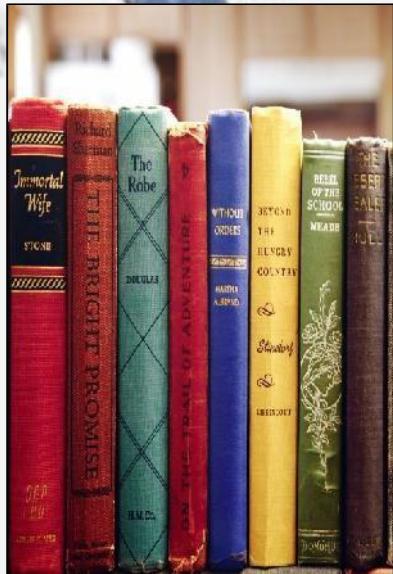
In addition, information skills developed in the MLIS program are so highly adaptable that they can open doors into almost any type of work setting you can imagine. Because of that flexibility,



LIS professionals often find that they can shape their careers to support their life circumstances, whether by working remote, part-time, on a project basis, or as an on-call information professional.

It demonstrates the depth and diversity of employment options available in the LIS career universe.

Working with information is a common thread throughout LIS occupations. Beyond that, the sort of work you conduct will be determined by your interests and the abilities you choose to build within our LIS program. You may, for example, develop a passion for working with teenagers and begin your career as a teen librarian at a public library. Alternatively, you may discover that you enjoy conducting business research and decide to work in competitive intelligence for a start-up or as a business librarian for a big public or university library.



Due to information explosion and its availability in many formats, the function of LIS profession has evolved. The 21<sup>st</sup> century has brought many changes, not just to libraries and information services, but also to librarians' and information workers' duties and expectations. Modern librarians and information workers must transition from document custodians to content managers.

So, whether you pursue a master's or undergraduate degree in LIS, the diverse nature of an LIS degree allows you to take your passion for information, technology, people, and/or libraries in any of hundreds of traditional and nontraditional directions,

and apply it to the setting that interests you the most.

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***"The only thing you have to know is the location of the library"***

***(Albert Einstein)***

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***"A Library is infinity under a roof"***

***(Gail Carson Levine)***

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# THE TREASURE OF KNOWLEDGE

## DR. ABDUL MOID MEMORIAL SEMINAR LIBRARY

RIDA IQBAL (BS-4)

The seminar library of the Department of Library and Information Science is named after Dr. Abdul Moid in recognition of his contributions to the department and to librarianship in Pakistan. Dr. Abdul Moid, the Department's founder and first Ph.D. holder in Library Science, launched the MLIS program at DLIS in 1956.



Approximately 4000 books and non-book materials related to library and information science, as well as other areas, are currently in the library's collection. It contains over 3000 books, around 300 thesis, a few dissertations, and back volumes of over

50 library and information science publications fulfilling educational, information as well as recreational needs of the users.

The library has 40 persons' seating capacity, allowing them to sit and study in peace. It caters to the demands of students and faculty members in terms of information. Aside from that, this seminar library offers circulation and reference services Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.



Currently, Koha software is being used in this library to arrange collection in a proper manner.

All library operations are properly managed by Madam Nuzhat Abid, she has done her MLIS from the same department and has been working as a seminar librarian in the department of library and information science since 2007.

As we all know, a library is a service-oriented institution whose goal is to offer the right information to the right user at the right time, and Madam Nuzhat Abid is doing just that for all the users. She not only gives altruistic service to users, but she also follows and makes users obey the regulations in order to maintain library decorum and discipline. Madam Nuzhat Abid is undeniably a gem of a person and certainly a support system for students and other faculty members.



# PROTECTING THE PLANET STARTS FROM YOU!

Syeda Sana Zehra (BS-4)

When it comes to combating climate change and being environmentally conscious consumers, the temptation to do more may be overwhelming. The solution? **Be imperfect.**

If you read the news on any given day, you'd assume we'd all perish as a result of climate change. New stories and reports emerge on a regular basis detailing the numerous ways in which humans are despoiling the planet at an unprecedented rate.

Given the bleak reality, we may be tempted to throw up our hands and declare that there is nothing we can do to help. But defeatism won't get us anywhere. Governments and companies must take action, but they should not carry exclusive responsibility for improving the environment. Every day, people from all walks of life may take steps to minimize their carbon footprint and make their routine more environmentally friendly.

Unfortunately, people have not always been effective caretakers of the planet. We must all take proactive efforts toward better living practices in order to conserve the environment and preserve the earth for our children and future generations.

It doesn't take a superhuman effort to become an environmental warrior. Simple things like making a grocery list or baking with ceramic baking pans may make a significant impact.

In reality, a healthy lifestyle and an environmentally responsible lifestyle frequently go hand in hand. Plus, being environmentally conscious is generally more cost-effective. In fact, a healthy lifestyle and an eco-conscious one often goes hand in hand. Extra bonus: Being eco-friendly is often easier on the wallet.



Conserving energy and using less water are the most obvious methods to protect the environment. However, if you put your green thinking gear on, you can come up with a slew of less visible but equally crucial eco-friendly practices.

**We don't need a handful of people doing zero waster perfectly. We need millions of people doing it imperfectly.**

## READY TO TAKE ACTION?



### Keep your garden or greenspace chemical free

Reduce the number of herbicides and insecticides you use. These chemicals destroy butterflies, moths, and other pollinating insects including ladybirds, beetles, and spiders, which are natural enemies of pests in your garden.



### Don't buy single-use plastics

When you're out and about, have a flask or reusable bottle in your bag. Make it a habit to buy only 52 bottles every week, preventing 52 bottles from ending up in landfills and the seas.



### Shop locally, shop organically

If you have the chance, buying fresh organic food is a wonderful way to support local farmers, lower your carbon footprint, and promote nature with your food choices.



You may assist people understand the importance and worth of our natural resources by furthering your own education.



### Re-use, Reduce and Recycle

The largest environmental advantage comes from reducing the quantity of "stuff" you consume. It's ideal to avoid waste in the first place, so consider your purchases more carefully.



### Conserve water

The less water you consume, the less wastewater and runoff will end up in the ocean.



### Plant a tree

More trees should be planted since they give food and oxygen. They aid in energy conservation, air purification, and climate change mitigation.

There might be hundreds of different methods to rescue the earth and provide a better future for future generations. All we have to do now is **AT LEAST THINK** about it, because,

**"Most of the damage to our environment stems from consumption: what we consume, how much we consume and how often"**

# WORD SCRAMBLE

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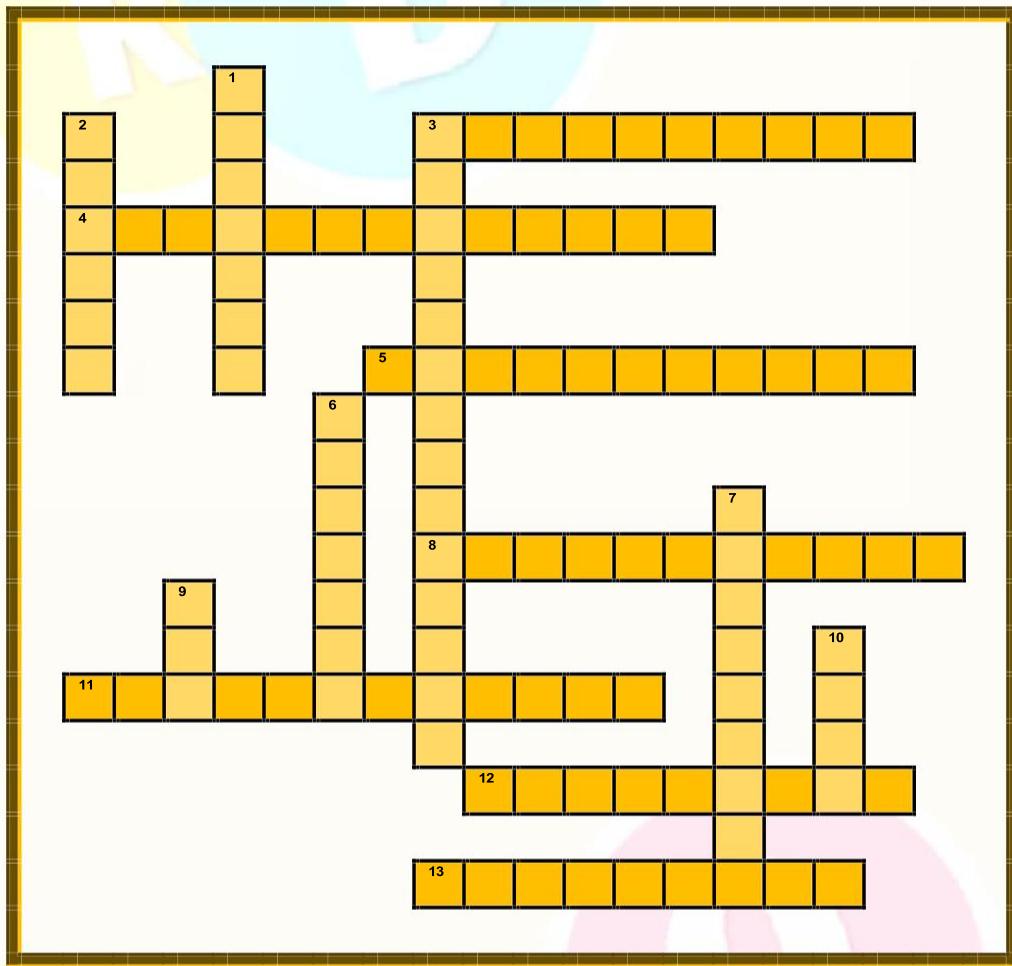
The Guinness Book of World Records holds the record for being the most often stolen book from public libraries.

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There are 150 libraries around the world where you can check out humans as a living book and listen to their stories.



# BIBLIOTHECS' CROSSWORD



## ACROSS:

- 3. Preparation of cards
- 4. Service oriented profession
- 5. Primitive writing style
- 8. To acquire material
- 11. Giving unique ID to library material
- 12. Get publication registered
- 13. Informed personal aid

## DOWN:

- 1. Collection of books
- 2. Calf skin writing material
- 3. To classify material
- 6. Giant water reed
- 7. Service provider
- 9. Classification scheme
- 10. Subject heading

# WORD SEARCH

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- DIRECTORIES
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- SEARS
- PERIODICALS
- DIGITAL
- CANADIANA
- CATALOG
- SERVICES
- DICTIONARY
- ABSTRACT
- AMERICANA
- JOURNALS

# QUIZ

**Q:** Where did the word “library” come from?

**Q:** World book and copyright day is celebrated on?

**Q:** Where is the national library of Pakistan located?

**Q:** Who invented the Dewey decimal classification system?

**Q:** IFLA stands for?

**Q:** In which section of library would you find encyclopedias?

**Q:** Give an example of non-verbal communication?

**Q:** Library for the people, of the people, by the people is called?

**Q:** Material borrowing and return point in a library is

Japan in the year? g  
d in



Submit **handwritten** answers of these questions in the department office and get a chance to win **exciting prize!**

Winner will be chosen via



# LET'S LAUGH

There are only 2 things missing in Pakistani Education System.

1. Education
2. System

How do the books stay warm in the library?  
They wear **book jackets**.

I told my son to get education.

**He said:** I won't

**I said:** Why?

**He said:** Because you got education and now, you're married with five kids. ☐

**Nate:** Why was school easier for the cave people?  
**Kate:** Why?  
**Nate:** Because there was no history to study.

**HAHA!**

**Teacher:** Why is it impossible for oil and water to mix together?

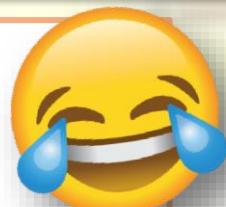
**Student:** They are in different **social classes**. ☐

**Teacher:** When was Taj Mahal built?

**Student:** At night, sir.

**Teacher:** Why do you say that?

**Student:** Because my grandfather always says that Taj Mahal wasn't built in a day.



# DO YOU THINK YOU ARE CLEVER?

- 1 A shepherd had 17 sheep. All but nine died how many did he have left?
- 2 There are two monkeys on a tree and one jumps off. Why does the other monkey jump too?
- 3 If eleven plus two equals one, what does nine plus five equals?
- 4 Take two apples from three apples and what have you got?
- 5 If 3 cats can kill 3 rats in 3 minutes, how long will it take 100 cats to kill 100 rats?
- 6 The number of eggs in a basket doubles every minute. The basket is full of eggs in an hour. When was the basket half full?
- 7 I can fly but I have no wings. I can cry but I have no eyes. What am I?