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Creating a Tween Collection A Practical Guide for Librarians

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About the Book

Specialized collections for tweens, or middle schoolers, are relatively new and becoming increasingly popular. This Practical Guide gives librarians everything they need to create such a collection. Beginning with a brief description of the early adolescent brain and developmental stages, and a history of youth and teen services in libraries, *Creating a Tween Collection* provides a solid foundation on which librarians can build support for such a collection. In addition, librarians will be given specific criteria for what constitutes “tween literature,” guidelines for forming parameters that will work for their community, and suggestions for using reviews and other sources in selecting appropriate materials and dealing with controversial titles. Finally, readers will learn how to re-allocate spaces and budgets, and how to market their new collection to patrons. This is a must-read for librarians who are looking to build a middle school collection in order to better serve their patrons.

This book:

- Provides rationale about the importance of a specialized Tween Collection.
- Gives specific examples for both fiction and nonfiction books, databases and websites.
- Provides guidance for creating diverse collections and tips for dealing with possible challenges.
- Includes numerous case studies and booklists

About the Authors

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Praise for the Book

“*Creating a Tween Collection: A Practical Guide for Librarians* is the how-to manual librarians need to serve the in-between patrons—feeling too old for the children’s room, not ready for the teen room. From understanding the tween mind and needs to the practical collection building and space making, Smith has covered it all, including real-life case studies that illustrate how tween services in libraries work.”

— **RoseMary Ludt, editor-in-chief, VOYA Magazine**

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