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"Don't be afraid to give up the good to go for the great."

— John D. Rockefeller

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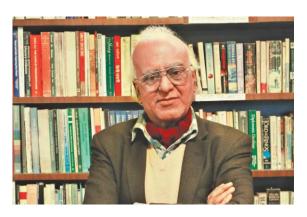
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ADINET organized a Webinar on "Research Data Management Services in Libraries of 21st Century: An Overview"



The webinar was held on 21 Jan 2023 (Saturday). The interesting topic was presented by **Dr. Bhakti Gala, CUG** Gujarat and **Mr. Manu T. R., IIT Delhi**. The informative talk was diligently delivered by the speakers, discussing various aspects of Research Data Management services in Libraries. Both LIS students and professionals from Gujarat and other parts of the country attended the webinar.

Books bring meaning to my life



Abhi Subedi's foray into the world of books began at an early age. The poet, playwright, linguist, translator, columnist and critic was highly influenced by his mother and started reading religious texts with her. Later, when he was introduced to the world of English literature, his love for reading solidified as he started reading the works of Charles Dickens and Fyodor Dostoevsky.

In an interview with the Post, Subedi discusses his reading habits, how his reading preferences have changed over the years and the reason why he reads...

Source: The Kathmandu Post, 2 Feb 2023

National Digital Library to be set up to facilitate availability of quality books

Indian Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman said in her Union Budget 2023 speech that the government will set up a National Digital Library for children and adolescents to facilitate the availability of quality books across subjects...

Source: Firstpost.com, 01 Feb 2023

Artificial intelligence uncovers unknown play by Spanish great in library archive



Artificial intelligence (AI) technology used to transcribe anonymous historic works at Spain's National Library archives has uncovered a hidden gem - a previously unknown play by one of the nation's greatest authors, Felix Lope de Vega.

The National Library said on Tuesday that experts later confirmed that the Baroque playwright and one of the most prominent names of the Spanish Golden Age wrote "La francesa Laura" (The Frenchwoman Laura) a few years before his death in 1635...

Source: The Hindu, 01 Feb 2023

Gumla to get 300-seater women library soon



A library for women named after Savitribai Phule, who was a social reformer, educationist and poet, will be established in the district. Officials claimed that the 300-capacity facility dedicated to women will be the first of its kind in the state.

Besides, the Gumla district administration is also building 12 block level and 78 panchayat level libraries for readers and competitive exam aspirants.

Gumla deputy commissioner (DC) Sushant Gaurav said, "We are laying stress on boosting facilities to promote reading and other educational activities here. Such facilities will help the poor kids in their endeavours. We are working with a plan themed on 'Sab Padhe and Sab Badhe'. Besides sub-division level, libraries will come up in all the 12 blocks and 78 panchayats"...

Source: The Times of India, 31 Jan 2023

Life-Changing Learning



"Libraries play a primary role in connecting with adults on their learning journeys," said Jan Murphy.

Murphy, product management director at Gale, moderated "All Together Now: Changing Lives through Library Adult Education and Learning Resources," a January 29 session sponsored by Gale at the American Library Association's 2023 LibLearnX conference in New Orleans.

Joining her to discuss why adult learning programs are critical and how libraries can help serve these patrons were panelists Michelle Jeske, city librarian and executive director of Denver Public Library (DPL); Kristen Sorth, director and CEO of St. Louis County (Mo.) Library (SLCL); and Robin Westphal, state librarian of Missouri.

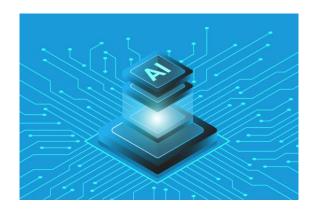
Why is adult learning an important topic, especially for libraries?

- An estimated 23% of American adults—or 48 million—struggle to read.
- More than 30 million Americans representing 11.5 % of the population age 18 and older—are without a high school diploma.
- In fact, the US Department of Health and Human Services defines high school completion as a social determinant of health, with nongraduates frequently reporting poor health and more frequently suffering from one or more chronic health conditions compared with high school graduates.
- A 2022 Pew report found that one of the top reasons workers left their jobs during the pandemic was because of a desire for better pay and career mobility. Half of these workers switched occupations or fields of work entirely.
- A study sponsored by Cengage found that during the Great Resignation, two out of three resignees took at least one online learning course to get a leg up in their job search.

"Lifelong learning is a growing segment," Murphy said. "There is a breadth and depth of need."...

Source: American Libraries, 31 Jan 2023

Did ChatGPT Write This Article?



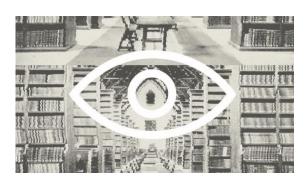
The academic landscape shifted dramatically in November 2022 with the launch of ChatGPT, a chatbot developed by OpenAI. ChatGPT is artificial intelligence software that can write essays, poems, code and perform other tasks traditionally done by humans.

Articles were quickly published foretelling the death of academic integrity in general and the college essay in particular. Other writers suggested that the new technology might have something useful to offer faculty members and students alike.

GW Libraries and Academic Innovation recently sponsored a panel discussion on the topic, involving faculty from multiple disciplines. The discussion, at Gelman Library, was attended by well over 200 people, some virtually and some in person....

Source: GW today, 30 Jan 2023

What Happens When Al Has Read Everything?

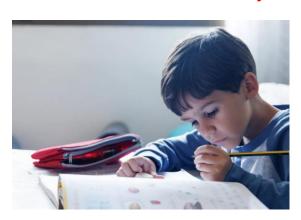


Artificial intelligence has in recent years proved itself to be a quick study, although it is being educated in a manner that would shame the most brutal headmaster. Locked into airtight Borgesian libraries for months with no bathroom breaks or sleep, Als are told not to emerge until they've finished a self-paced speed course in human culture. On the syllabus: a decent fraction of all the surviving text that we have ever produced.

When Als surface from these epic sessions. thev study possess astonishing new abilities. People with the most linguistically supple minds hyperpolyglots—can reliably flip back and forth between a dozen languages; Als can now translate between more than 100 in real time. They can churn out pastiche in a range of literary styles and write passable rhyming poetry. DeepMind's Ithaca Al can glance at Greek letters etched into marble and guess the text that was chiseled off by vandals thousands of years ago...

Source: *The Atlantic, 18 Jan 2023* (Access by Subscription)

4 Ways Reading and Writing Interlock: What the Research Says

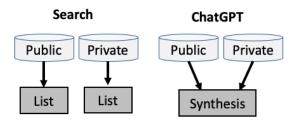


In putting together this special report on how writing instruction can and should build on the science of reading, Education Week reporters read through dozens of studies and spoke to leading researchers in the field.

From this reporting, we landed on four main research takeaways, each of which are worth reiterating here and consulting as school districts assess the strength of their own writing programs...

Source: *Education Week, 17 Jan* 2023

ChatGPT and Knowledge Strategy



ChatGPT is catching the world by storm! It is everywhere. My friends are constantly sending me examples of the fantastic and unexpected things that ChatGPT has done. ChatGPT reached over a million users in just five days.

I am not surprised at how good ChatGPT has become. But I am amazed at the incredible growth of the awareness of these tools in the last two months. And that has encouraged me to help everyone understand how ChatGPT and large language models will impact your overall knowledge strategy and your ability to build cognitive assistants for all your knowledge workers...

Source: Medium, 14 Jan 2023

ChatGPT Sample Query: In the sample below, ChatGPT was asked the following simple query [by IPR Library]

Question: how ai is being used in

libraries?

Artificial intelligence (AI) is being used in libraries in several ways, including:

- Cataloging and classification: Al can assist in cataloging and organizing library collections, helping to streamline the process and make it more efficient.
- Recommendation systems: Alpowered recommendation systems can suggest books and other materials to library patrons based on their reading history and preferences.
- 3. Chatbots: Libraries are using Alpowered chatbots to provide quick and efficient responses to common questions, freeing up librarians to focus on more complex tasks.
- Digitization: Al can be used to help libraries digitize their collections, making it easier to access and preserve materials.
- 5. Fraud detection: Al is being used to detect and prevent fraudulent activities, such as the use of fake library cards, in libraries.

Overall, AI is helping libraries to provide better services to their patrons and to better manage their collections.

You may want to explore ChatGPT: https://chat.openai.com/

European academies hit out at high author charges for open access publishing



Critics have hit out at the way in which the open access switch - from paying for journal subscriptions to paying for research to be published - has been managed and are calling for an end to what they describe as "massive" upfront fees that academic institutes or authors pay to ensure their research is freely available.

ALLEA, the European Federation of Academies of Sciences and Humanities, claims commercial publishers are making the large profits from open access publishing under what is known as the gold model, which allows journal papers to be free to read as soon as they are published.

Instead of journal subscriptions, publishers are paid article processing charges (APCs). These fees can sometimes be thousands of euros.

The financial burden is shifting away from the readers of papers and onto the authors. This is putting a strain on academics around the world, particularly those in less well-off countries, ALLEA says in a report published last month. These fees are often rolled into partner agreements with big publishers, but researchers not covered by these agreements must usually pay APCs...

Source: Science Business, 05 Jan 2023



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