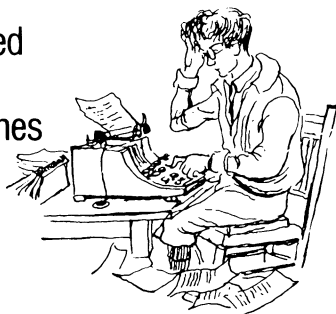


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Films for IYDP

If you can think of a disability, there is probably a film about it, in the form of a case study, a study of rehabilitation or a film on the causes of disabilities. Some films are helpful in consciousness raising, some are intended for the disabled themselves – to teach living skills, for example.

Over 200 such films are held in the National Film Lending Collection at the National Library of Australia, and are available for loan to any group or organisation in Australia borrowing for non-profit purposes.

In April this year a select list of films about and for the disabled held in the collection was issued under the title *Breaking down the barriers with film*. From the descriptions provided you can gauge the potential usefulness of the film or videocassette for your audience. And if a film on the topic in which you are interested is not listed you can of course contact the Film Reference Librarian. Your state film centre may also be able to help.

Copies of *Breaking down the barriers with film* are available from the Film Reference Librarian, National Film Lending Collection, National Library of Australia, Canberra, ACT 2600, phone (062) 62 1361. (No ISBN)

Leaders and whips

The New South Wales Parliamentary Library has recently issued a second edition of its very useful *Premiers, Leaders of the Opposition and Whips in the Parliament of New South Wales*, covering the period 1901 to 1981.

As well as providing the birth and where applicable death dates of these worthies, this

checklist indicates their party affiliations and the length of their terms in office.

One very useful section gives details of the many changes of name of political parties in New South Wales during this century. This work also lists Leaders of the Government and Leaders of the Opposition in the Legislative Council.

As the Foreword states, this publication 'brings together information which can only be gathered with difficulty from scattered sources.' It even gives Neville Wran's date of birth, although for that the compilers acknowledge a debt to Radi, Spearritt and Hinton's *Biographical register of the New South Wales Parliament 1901-1970*, from which all information on birth and death dates has been taken.

A limited number of copies of *Premiers, Leaders of the Opposition and Whips in the Parliament of New South Wales* are available gratis from the NSW Parliamentary Library, Macquarie Street, Sydney, NSW 2000. The work is no 11 in the Library's Reference Monograph series, second edition. (ISBN 0 7240 9522 5)

Journal editing – the basics

There are numerous detailed guides to magazine production on a large and small scale, but E.J. Colville's *The journal* is notable for its recency, succinctness and for the fact that it was produced locally.

Colville has drawn on 15 years experience of producing specialist periodicals for this work which is aimed mainly at people in organisations or groups which produce or need to produce a journal or newsletter.

There is basic information on management and objectives of a journal, on the role of the editor, on advertising and financial control and on distribution. Special attention is given to planning the layout and content, as well as to the necessary routines which are part of the editor's often unenviable lot. An appendix illustrates the common symbols for correcting proofs, extracted from the AGPS *Style manual*.

Colville doesn't mention the deposit provisions of the various copyright acts, which frequently come as a nasty shock to the producers of new periodicals. But it is a useful brief guide for the non-specialist.

The journal: a guide to producing a specialist publication by E.J. Colville was published earlier this year by Research Publications, 12 Terra Cotta Drive, Blackburn, Vic 3130. It costs \$7.50 including postage. (ISBN 0 9598398 5 2)

Toy libraries

Making, repairing, buying, cataloguing and lending toys – this and more is covered in a booklet published earlier this year by the South Australian Education Department.

Valerie Packer, a state representative of the Australian Association of Toy Libraries for the Handicapped, comments that 'while this publication is directed to the South Australian scene, there is still much value in the *Toy library handbook* for other readers.'

'The work traces the development of toy libraries in South Australia before discussing how a toy library can be planned and established. Chapters dealing with cataloguing and processing provide a useful introduction to some of the systems currently in use.'

'The chapter on "Helping play to develop in children with special needs" will hold special interest for people involved in providing toy library services for handicapped children – the references at the end of this chapter should be particularly helpful for parents and professionals.'

'A book covering so many subjects in such a short span cannot provide a very full picture, but for people beginning in the toy library field it is a very good guide.'

Toy library handbook, edited by Angela Roodhouse, Hilary Johnson and Elizabeth Grayling, is published by the Education Department of South Australia. It costs \$9.95. (ISBN 0 7243 5043 8).

Did you say GLAB?

GLAB may sound like the name of a new miracle washing powder, but it's actually an occasional publication of the Gippsland Branch of the Library Association of Australia.

A recent issue, dealing with literacy in Gippsland, is in the words of Helen Modra, 'an excellent example of worthwhile librarianship activity in support of literacy, and ought to get a guernsey'.

This booklet introduces the topic and sets the local scene, with information on local organisations involved in literacy programs. There is also a useful select reading list.

Copies of this 40-page issue of *GLAB* (no 3, Literacy) are available from Helen Sutton, 12 Auchterlonie Crescent, Churchill, Vic 3842. (No ISBN).

Go West, young writer

Western library studies will be an occasional series of monographs published by the Library of WAIT in conjunction with its Department of Library and Information Studies.

The series will embrace reports of original 'experimental, observation or analytical work, substantial reviews of library practices or state of the art, or significant theoretical studies.'

The intention is that works published will be a bit too long for journal articles and a bit shorter than full book-length. Preference will be given for the time being to Australian authors and Australian studies.

If there is sufficient interest from bibliographers a separate series, *Western bibliographies*, will also be published. Further information on both series is available from G.G. Allen, Principal Librarian, WAIT, Hayman Road, South Bentley, WA 6102. □

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by A.L. Bundy

A study of the effect on British polytechnic libraries of institutional amalgamations with derived guidelines for amalgamating Victorian and other Australian institutions.

This is a report of an October 1981 overseas study undertaken for the Victorian Post-Secondary Education Commission.

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