### **DDC 23 Summaries**

#### **History and Current Use**

The Dewey Decimal Classification (DDC) system is a general knowledge organization tool that is continuously revised to keep pace with knowledge. The system was conceived by Melvil Dewey in 1873 and first published in 1876. The DDC is published by OCLC Online Computer Library Center, Inc. OCLC owns all copyright rights in the Dewey Decimal Classification, and licenses the system for a variety of uses.

The DDC is the most widely used classification system in the world. Libraries in more than 140 countries use the DDC to organize and provide access to their collections, and DDC numbers are featured in the national bibliographies of more than 60 countries. Libraries of every type apply Dewey numbers on a daily basis and share these numbers through a variety of means (including WorldCat, the OCLC Online Union Catalog). Dewey is also used for other purposes, e.g., as a browsing mechanism for resources on the web.

The DDC has been translated into over thirty languages. Translations of the latest full and abridged editions of the DDC are completed, planned, or underway in Arabic, French, German, Greek, Hebrew, Icelandic, Italian, Norwegian, Russian, Spanish, Swedish and Vietnamese.

#### **Development**

One of Dewey's great strengths is that the system is developed and maintained in a national bibliographic agency, the Library of Congress. The Dewey editorial office is located in the Decimal Classification Division of the Library of Congress, where classification specialists annually assign over 110,000 DDC numbers to records for works cataloged by the Library. Having the editorial office within the Decimal Classification Division enables the editors to detect trends in the literature that must be incorporated into the Classification. The editors prepare proposed schedule revisions and expansions, and forward the proposals to the Decimal Classification Editorial Policy Committee (EPC) for review and recommended action.

EPC is a ten-member international board whose main function is to advise the editors and OCLC on matters relating to changes, innovations, and the general development of the Classification. EPC represents the interests of DDC users; its members come from national, public, special, and academic libraries, and from library schools.

# Editions

The DDC is published in full and abridged editions in print and web accessible versions. The abridged edition is a logical truncation of the notational and structural hierarchy of the corresponding full edition on which it is based, and is intended for general collections of 20,000 titles or less. WebDewey, the electronic version of the classification is updated frequently and contain additional index entries and mapped vocabulary. Currently, the Abridged 15 edition is available to WebDewey subscribers in pdf form. Abridged numbers are indicated with segmentation marked. The electronic version and supplemental web postings are the chief sources of ongoing updates to the DDC. On the Dewey web site (www.oclc.org/dewey), selected new numbers and changes to the DDC are posted regularly.

## **Structure and Notation**

The DDC is built on sound principles that make it ideal as a general knowledge organization tool: meaningful notation in universally recognized Arabic numerals, well-defined categories, well-developed hierarchies, and a rich network of relationships among topics. In the DDC, basic classes are organized by disciplines or fields of study. At the broadest level, the DDC is divided into ten main classes, which together cover the entire world of knowledge. Each main class is further divided into ten divisions, and each division into ten sections (not all the numbers for the divisions and sections have been used). The main structure of the DDC is presented in the DDC Summaries following this introduction. The headings associated with the numbers in the summaries have been edited for browsing purposes, and do not necessarily match the complete headings found in the schedules.

The *first summary* contains the ten main classes. The first digit in each three-digit number represents the main class. For example, 600 represents technology. The *second summary* contains the hundred divisions. The second digit in each three-digit number indicates the division. For example, 600 is used for general works on technology, 610 for medicine and health, 620 for engineering, 630 for agriculture.

The *third summary* contains the thousand sections. The third digit in each three-digit number indicates the section. Thus, 610 is used for general works on medicine and health, 611 for human anatomy, 612 for human physiology, 613 for personal health and safety.

Arabic numerals are used to represent each class in the DDC. A decimal point follows the third digit in a class number, after which division by ten continues to the specific degree of classification needed.

A subject may appear in more than one discipline. For example, "clothing" has aspects that fall under several disciplines. The psychological influence of clothing belongs in 155.95 as part of the discipline of psychology; customs associated with clothing belong in 391 as part of the discipline of customs; and clothing in the sense of fashion design belongs in 746.92 as part of the discipline of the arts.

## Hierarchy

Hierarchy in the DDC is expressed through structure and notation. Structural hierarchy means that all topics (aside from the ten main classes) are part of all the broader topics above them. Any note regarding the nature of a class holds true for all the subordinate classes, including logically subordinate topics classed at coordinate numbers.

Notational hierarchy is expressed by length of notation. Numbers at any given level are usually subordinate to a class whose notation is one digit shorter; coordinate with a class whose notation has the same number of significant digits; and superordinate to a class with numbers one or more digits longer. The underlined digits in the following example demonstrate this notational hierarchy:

- 600 Technology
- 630 Agriculture and related technologies
- 636 Animal husbandry
- 636.7 Dogs
- 636.8 Cats

"Dogs" and "Cats" are more specific than (i.e., are subordinate to) "Animal husbandry"; they are equally specific as (i.e., are coordinate with) each other; and "Animal husbandry" is less specific than (i.e., is superordinate to) "Dogs" and "Cats."

Sometimes, other devices must be used to express the hierarchy when it is not possible or desirable to do so through the notation. Special headings, notes, and entries indicate relationships among topics that violate notational hierarchy.

# Arrangement of the DDC

The print version of the latest full edition of the DDC, Edition 23, is composed of the following major parts in four volumes:

## Volume 1

(A) New Features in Edition 23: A brief explanation of the special features and changes in DDC 23

(B) Introduction: A description of the DDC and how to use it

- (C) Glossary: Short definitions of terms used in the DDC
- (D) Index to the Introduction and Glossary

(E) Manual: A guide to the use of the DDC that is made up primarily of extended discussions of problem areas in the application of the DDC. Information in the Manual is arranged by the numbers in the tables and schedules

(F) Tables: Six numbered tables of notation that can be added to class numbers to provide greater specificity

(G) Lists that compare Editions 22 and 23: Relocations and Discontinuations; Reused Numbers

## Volume 2

(H) DDC Summaries: The top three levels of the DDC

(I) Schedules: The organization of knowledge from 000-599

# Volume 3

(J) Schedules: The organization of knowledge from 600–999

# Volume 4

(K) Relative Index: An alphabetical list of subjects with the disciplines in which they are treated subarranged alphabetically under each entry

# Entries

Entries in the schedules and tables are composed of a DDC number in the number column (the column at the left margin), a heading describing the class that the number represents, and often one or more notes. All entries (numbers, headings, and notes) should be read in the context of the hierarchy.

In the print version of the DDC, the first three digits of schedule numbers (main classes, divisions, sections) appear only once in the number column, when first used. They are repeated at the top of each page where their subdivisions continue. Subordinate numbers appear in the number column, beginning with a decimal point, with the initial three digits understood.

Some numbers in the schedules and tables are enclosed in parentheses or square brackets. Numbers and notes in parentheses provide options to standard practice. Numbers in square brackets represent topics that have been relocated or discontinued, or are unassigned. Square brackets are also used for standard subdivision concepts that are represented in another location. Numbers in square brackets are never used.

#### **Number Building**

Only a fraction of potential DDC numbers are included in the schedules. It is often necessary to build or synthesize a number that is not specifically listed in the schedules. Such built numbers allow for greater depth of content analysis. There are four sources of notation for building numbers: (A) Table 1 Standard Subdivisions; (B) Tables 2–6; (C) other parts of the schedules; and (D) add tables in the schedules.

Number building is initiated only upon instructions in the schedules (except for the addition of standard subdivisions, which may take place anywhere unless there is an instruction to the contrary). Number building begins with a base number (always stated in the instruction note) to which another number is added.

#### **More Information**

The Dewey web site (www.oclc.org/dewey) contains up-to-date information about the DDC, DDC products and services, and DDC licensing. For more information about the structure and application of the Dewey Decimal Classification, consult the introduction in volume 1 of DDC 23 (also available online in WebDewey and on the Dewey web site). A more in-depth introduction to the Dewey Decimal Classification may be found

# **DDC 23 Summaries**

#### Main Classes

- 000 Computer science, information & general works
- 100 Philosophy & psychology
- 200 Religion
- 300 Social sciences
- 400 Language
- 500 Science
- 600 Technology
- 700 Arts & recreation
- 800 Literature
- 900 History & geography

# Second Summary

# Hundred Divisions

000	Computer science, knowledge & systems	500	Science
010	Bibliographies	510	Mathematics
020	Library & information sciences	520	Astronomy
030	Encyclopedias & books of facts	530	Physics
040	[Unassigned]	540	Chemistry
050	Magazines, journals & serials	550	Earth sciences & geology
060	Associations, organizations & museums	560	Fossils & prehistoric life
070	News media, journalism & publishing	570	Life sciences; biology
080	Quotations	580	Plants (Botany)
090	Manuscripts & rare books	590	Animals (Zoology)
100	Philosophy	600	Technology
110	Metaphysics	610	Medicine & health
120	Epistemology	620	Engineering
130	Parapsychology & occultism	630	Agriculture
140	Philosophical schools of thought	640	Home & family management
150	Psychology	650	Management & public relations
160	Logic	660	Chemical engineering
170	Ethics	670	Manufacturing
180	Ancient, medieval & eastern philosophy	680	Manufacture for specific uses
190	Modern western philosophy	690	Building & construction
200	Religion	700	Arts
210	Philosophy & theory of religion	710	Landscaping & area planning
220	The Bible	720	Architecture
230	Christianity & Christian theology	730	Sculpture, ceramics & metalwork
240	Christian practice & observance	740	Graphic arts & decorative arts
250	Christian pastoral practice & religious orders	750	Painting
260	Christian organization, social work & worship	760	Graphic arts
270	History of Christianity	770	Photography & computer art
280	Christian denominations	780	Music
290	Other religions	790	Sports, games & entertainment
300	Social sciences, sociology & anthropology	800	Literature, rhetoric & criticism
310	Statistics	810	American literature in English
320	Political science	820	English & Old English literatures
330	Economics	830	German & related literatures
340	Law	840	French & related literatures
350	Public administration & military science	850	Italian, Romanian & related literatures
360	Social problems & social services	860	Spanish & Portuguese literatures
370	Education	870	Latin & Italic literatures
380	Commerce, communications & transportation	880	Classical & modern Greek literatures
390	Customs, etiquette & folklore	890	Other literatures
400	Language	900	History
410	Linguistics	910	Geography & travel
420	English & Old English languages	920	Biography & genealogy
430	German & related languages	930	History of ancient world (to ca. 499)
440	French & related languages	940	History of Europe
450	Italian, Romanian & related languages	950	History of Asia
460	Spanish & Portuguese languages	960	History of Africa
470	Latin & Italic languages	970	History of North America
480	Classical & modern Greek languages	980	History of other areas
490	Other languages	990	History of other areas

#### Third Summary Thousand Sections 000

000	Computer science, information & general works
001	Knowledge
002	The book
003	Systems
004	Data processing & computer science
005	Computer programming, programs & data
006	Special computer methods
007	[Unassigned]
008	[Unassigned]
009	[Unassigned]
010	Bibliography
011	Bibliographies
012	Bibliographies of individuals
013	[Unassigned]
014	Of anonymous & pseudonymous works
015	Bibliographies of works from specific places
016	Bibliographies of works on specific subjects
017	General subject catalogs
018	Catalogs arranged by author, date, etc.
019	Dictionary catalogs
020	Library & information sciences
021	Library relationships
022	Administration of physical plant
023	Personnel management
024	[Unassigned]
025	Library operations
026	Libraries for specific subjects
027	General libraries
028	Reading & use of other information media
029	[Unassigned]
030	General encyclopedic works
031	Encyclopedias in American English
032	Encyclopedias in English
033	Encyclopedias in other Germanic languages
034	Encyclopedias in French, Occitan & Catalan
035	Encyclopedias in Italian, Romanian & related languages
036	Encyclopedias in Spanish & Portuguese
037	Encyclopedias in Slavic languages
038	Encyclopedias in Scandinavian languages
039	Encyclopedias in other languages
040	[Unassigned]
040	[Unassigned]
041	[Unassigned]
042	[Unassigned]
043	[Unassigned]
044	[Unassigned]
045	[Unassigned]
040	[Unassigned]
047 048	[Unassigned]
048 049	[Unassigned]
049	[บาเอรจเหมะน]

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050	General serial publications
051	Serials in American English
052	Serials in English
053	Serials in other Germanic languages
054	Serials in French, Occitan & Catalan
055	Serials in Italian, Romanian & related languages
056	Serials in Spanish & Portuguese
057	Serials in Slavic languages
058	Serials in Scandinavian languages
059	Serials in other languages
060	General organizations & museum science
061	Organizations in North America
062	Organizations in British Isles; in England
063	Organizations in central Europe; in Germany
064	Organizations in France & Monaco
065	Organizations in Italy & adjacent islands
066	Organizations in Iberian Peninsula & adjacent islands
067	Organizations in eastern Europe; in Russia
068	Organizations in other geographic areas
069	Museum science
070	News media, journalism & publishing
071	Newspapers in North America
072	Newspapers in British Isles; in England
073	Newspapers in central Europe; in Germany
074	Newspapers in France & Monaco
075	Newspapers in Italy & adjacent islands
076	Newspapers in Iberian Peninsula & adjacent islands
077	Newspapers in eastern Europe; in Russia
078	Newspapers in Scandinavia
079	Newspapers in other geographic areas
080	General collections
081	Collections in American English
082	Collections in English
083	Collections in other Germanic languages
084	Collections in French, Occitan & Catalan
085	Collections in Italian, Romanian & related languages
086	Collections in Spanish & Portuguese
087	Collections in Slavic languages
088	Collections in other languages
089	Collections in other languages
090	Manuscripts & rare books
091	Manuscripts
092	Block books
092	Incunabula
093	Printed books
095	Books notable for bindings
096	Books notable for illustrations
097	Books notable for ownership or origin
098	Prohibited works, forgeries & hoaxes
099	Books notable for format

100 Philosophy & psychology 101 Theory of philosophy 102 Miscellany **Dictionaries & encyclopedias** 103 104 [Unassigned] Serial publications 105 106 **Organizations & management** 107 Education, research & related topics 108 Groups of people 109 History & collected biography Metaphysics 110 111 Ontology 112 [Unassigned] 113 Cosmology 114 Space 115 Time 116 Change 117 Structure 118 Force & energy 119 Number & quantity 120 Epistemology, causation & humankind 121 Epistemology 122 Causation Determinism & indeterminism 123 124 Teleology 125 [Unassigned] The self 126 127 The unconscious & the subconscious 128 Humankind 129 Origin & destiny of individual souls 130 Parapsychology & occultism 131 Parapsychological & occult methods 132 [Unassigned] 133 Specific topics in parapsychology & occultism 134 [Unassigned] 135 Dreams & mysteries 136 [Unassigned] 137 **Divinatory graphology** 138 Physiognomy 139 Phrenology 140 Specific philosophical schools 141 Idealism & related systems 142 Critical philosophy 143 Bergsonism & intuitionism 144 Humanism & related systems 145 Sensationalism 146 Naturalism & related systems 147 Pantheism & related systems 148 Eclecticism, liberalism & traditionalism

149 Other philosophical systems

150	Psychology
151	[Unassigned]
152	Perception, movement, emotions & drives
153	Mental processes & intelligence
154	Subconscious & altered states
155	Differential & developmental psychology
156	Comparative psychology
157	[Unassigned]
158	Applied psychology
159	[Unassigned]
160	Logic
161	Induction
162	Deduction
163	[Unassigned]
164	[Unassigned]
165	Fallacies & sources of error
166	Syllogisms
167	Hypotheses
168	Argument & persuasion
169	Analogy
109	Ethics
170	Ethical systems
171	Political ethics
172	Ethics of family relationships
173	Occupational ethics
174	Ethics of recreation & leisure
175	Ethics of sex & reproduction
170	Ethics of social relations
178	Ethics of consumption
178	Other ethical norms
179	
	Ancient, medieval & eastern philosophy
181	Eastern philosophy Pre-Socratic Greek philosophies
182	· ·
183	Socratic & related philosophies Platonic philosophy
184	,
185	Aristotelian philosophy
186	Skeptic & Neoplatonic philosophies
187	Epicurean philosophy
188	Stoic philosophy
189	Medieval western philosophy
190	Modern western philosophy
191	Philosophy of United States & Canada
192	Philosophy of British Isles
193	Philosophy of Germany & Austria
194	Philosophy of France
195	Philosophy of Italy
196	Philosophy of Spain & Portugal
197	Philosophy of former Soviet Union
198	Philosophy of Scandinavia

Philosophy of other geographic areas

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200	Religion
201	Religious mythology & social theology
202	Doctrines
203	Public worship & other practices
204	Religious experience, life & practice
205	Religious ethics
206	Leaders & organization
207	Missions & religious education
208	Sources
209	Sects & reform movements
210	Philosophy & theory of religion
211	Concepts of God
212	Existence, knowability & attributes of God
213	Creation
213	Theodicy
215	Science & religion
215	[Unassigned]
210	[Unassigned]
217	Humankind
218	
	[Unassigned] Bible
220 221	
	Old Testament (Tanakh) Historical books of Old Testament
222	
223	Poetic books of Old Testament
224	Prophetic books of Old Testament
225	New Testament
226	Gospels & Acts
227	Epistles
228	Revelation (Apocalypse)
229	Apocrypha & pseudepigrapha
230	Christianity & Christian theology
231	God
232	Jesus Christ & his family
233	Humankind
234	Salvation & grace
235	Spiritual beings
236	Eschatology
237	[Unassigned]
238	Creeds & catechisms
239	Apologetics & polemics
240	Christian moral & devotional theology
241	Christian ethics
242	Devotional literature
243	Evangelistic writings for individuals
244	[Unassigned]
245	[Unassigned]
246	Use of art in Christianity
247	Church furnishings & articles
248	Christian experience, practice & life
249	Christian observances in family life

250	Christian orders & local church
251	Preaching
252	Texts of sermons
253	Pastoral office & work
254	Parish administration
255	Religious congregations & orders
256	[Unassigned]
257	[Unassigned]
258	[Unassigned]
259	Pastoral care of families & kinds of persons
260	Social & ecclesiastical theology
261	Social theology
262	Ecclesiology
263	Days, times & places of observance
264	Public worship
265	Sacraments, other rites & acts
266	Missions
267	Associations for religious work
268	Religious education
269	Spiritual renewal
270	History of Christianity & Christian church
271	Religious orders in church history
272	Persecutions in church history
273	Doctrinal controversies & heresies
274	History of Christianity in Europe
275	History of Christianity in Asia
276	History of Christianity in Africa
277	History of Christianity in North America
278	History of Christianity in South America
279	History of Christianity in other areas
280	Christian denominations & sects
281	Early church & Eastern churches
282	Roman Catholic Church
283	Anglican churches
284	Protestants of Continental origin
285	Presbyterian, Reformed & Congregational
286	Baptist, Disciples of Christ & Adventist
287	Methodist & related churches
288	[Unassigned]
289	Other denominations & sects
290	Other religions
291	[Unassigned]
292	Greek & Roman religion
293	Germanic religion
294	Religions of Indic origin
295	Zoroastrianism
296	Judaism
297	Islam, Babism & Bahai Faith
298	(Optional number)
299	Religions not provided for elsewhere

300	Social sciences
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- 301 Sociology & anthropology302 Social interaction
- 302 Social interaction303 Social processes
- 304 Factors affecting social behavior
- 305 Social groups
- 306 Culture & institutions
- 307 Communities
- 308 [Unassigned]
- 309 [Unassigned]
- 310 Collections of general statistics
- 311 [Unassigned]
- 312 [Unassigned]
- 313 [Unassigned]
- 314 General statistics of Europe
- 315 General statistics of Asia
- 316 General statistics of Africa
- 317 General statistics of North America
- 318 General statistics of South America
- 319 General statistics of other areas
- 320 Political science
- 321 Systems of governments & states
- 322 Relation of state to organized groups
- 323 Civil & political rights
- 324 The political process
- 325 International migration & colonization
- 326 Slavery & emancipation
- 327 International relations
- 328 The legislative process
- 329 [Unassigned]
- 330 Economics
- 331 Labor economics
- 332 Financial economics
- 333 Economics of land & energy
- 334 Cooperatives
- 335 Socialism & related systems
- 336 Public finance
- 337 International economics
- 338 Macroeconomics & related topics
- 339 Macroeconomics & related topics
- 340 Law
- 341 Law of nations
- 342 Constitutional & administrative law
- 343 Military, tax, trade & industrial law
- 344 Labor, social, education & cultural law
- 345 Criminal law
- 346 Private law
- 347 Civil procedure & courts
- 348 Laws, regulations & cases
- 349 Law of specific jurisdictions & areas

350	Public administration & military science
351	Public administration
352	General considerations of public administration
353	Specific fields of public administration
354	Administration of economy & environment
355	Military science
356	Infantry forces & warfare
357	Mounted forces & warfare
358	Air & other specialized forces
359	Sea forces & warfare
360	Social problems & services; associations
361	Social problems & social welfare in general
362	Social welfare problems & services
363	Other social problems & services
364	Criminology
365	Penal & related institutions
366	Secret associations & societies
367	General clubs
368	Insurance
369	Associations
370	Education
371	Schools & their activities; special education
372	Elementary education
373	Secondary education
374	Adult education
375	Curricula
376	[Unassigned]
377	[Unassigned]
378	Higher education
379	Public policy issues in education
380	Commerce, communications & transportation
381	Commerce
382	International commerce
383	Postal communication
384	Communications; telecommunication
385	Railroad transportation
386	Inland waterway & ferry transportation
387	Water, air & space transportation
388	Transportation; ground transportation
389	Metrology & standardization
390	Customs, etiquette & folklore
391	Costume & personal appearance
392	Customs of life cycle & domestic life
393	Death customs
394	General customs
395	Etiquette (Manners)
396	[Unassigned]

- 397 [Unassigned]
- 398 Folklore
- 399 Customs of war & diplomacy

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449 Occitan & Catalan

450	Italian, Romanian & related languages
451	Italian writing systems & phonology
452	Italian etymology
453	Italian dictionaries
454	[Unassigned]
455	Italian grammar
456	[Unassigned]
457	Italian language variations
458	Standard Italian usage
459	Romanian & related languages
460	Spanish & Portuguese languages
461	Spanish writing systems & phonology
462	Spanish etymology
463	Spanish dictionaries
464	[Unassigned]
465	Spanish grammar
466	[Unassigned]
467	Spanish language variations
468	Standard Spanish usage
469	Portuguese
400	Italic languages; Latin
470	Classical Latin writing & phonology
472	Classical Latin etymology
472	Classical Latin dictionaries
474	[Unassigned]
474	Classical Latin grammar
475	[Unassigned]
470	
	Old, postclassical & Vulgar Latin
478 479	Classical Latin usage Other Italic languages
480	Hellenic languages; classical Greek
481	Classical Greek writing & phonology
482	Classical Greek etymology
483	Classical Greek dictionaries
484	[Unassigned]
485	Classical Greek grammar
486	[Unassigned]
487	Preclassical & postclassical Greek
488	Classical Greek usage
489	Other Hellenic languages
490	Other languages
491	East Indo-European & Celtic languages
492	Afro-Asiatic languages; Semitic languages
493	Non-Semitic Afro-Asiatic languages
494	Altaic, Uralic, Hyperborean & Dravidian
495	Languages of East & Southeast Asia
496	African languages
497	North American native languages
498	South American native languages

499 Austronesian & other languages

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500 Natural sciences & mathematics

- 501 Philosophy & theory
- 502 Miscellany
- 503 Dictionaries & encyclopedias
- 504 [Unassigned]
- 505 Serial publications
- 506 Organizations & management
- 507 Education, research & related topics
- 508 Natural history
- 509 History, geographic treatment, biography
- 510 Mathematics
- 511 General principles of mathematics
- 512 Algebra
- 513 Arithmetic
- 514 Topology
- 515 Analysis
- 516 Geometry
- 517 [Unassigned]
- 518 Numerical analysis
- 519 Probabilities & applied mathematics
- 520 Astronomy & allied sciences
- 521 Celestial mechanics
- 522 Techniques, equipment & materials
- 523 Specific celestial bodies & phenomena
- 524 [Unassigned]
- 525 Earth (Astronomical geography)
- 526 Mathematical geography
- 527 Celestial navigation
- 528 Ephemerides
- 529 Chronology
- 530 Physics
- 531 Classical mechanics; solid mechanics
- 532 Fluid mechanics; liquid mechanics
- 533 Gas mechanics
- 534 Sound & related vibrations
- 535 Light & infrared & ultraviolet phenomena
- 536 Heat
- 537 Electricity & electronics
- 538 Magnetism
- 539 Modern physics
- 540 Chemistry & allied sciences
- 541 Physical chemistry
- 542 Techniques, equipment & materials
- 543 Analytical chemistry
- 544 [Unassigned]
- 545 [Unassigned]
- 546 Inorganic chemistry
- 547 Organic chemistry
- 548 Crystallography
- 549 Mineralogy

550	Earth sciences
551	Geology, hydrology & meteorology
552	Petrology
553	Economic geology
554	Earth sciences of Europe
555	Earth sciences of Asia
556	Earth sciences of Africa
557	Earth sciences of North America
558	Earth sciences of South America
559	Earth sciences of other areas
560	Paleontology; paleozoology
561	Paleobotany; fossil microorganisms
562	Fossil invertebrates
563	Fossil marine & seashore invertebrates
564	Fossil mollusks & molluscoids
565	Fossil arthropods
566	Fossil chordates
567	Fossil cold-blooded vertebrates; fossil fishes
568	Fossil birds
569	Fossil mammals
570	Life sciences; biology
571	Physiology & related subjects
572	Biochemistry
573	Specific physiological systems in animals
574	[Unassigned]
575	Specific parts of & systems in plants
576	Genetics & evolution
577	Ecology
578	Natural history of organisms
579	Microorganisms, fungi & algae
580	Plants (Botany)
581	Specific topics in natural history
582	Plants noted for characteristics & flowers
583	Dicotyledons
584	Monocotyledons
585	Gymnosperms; conifers
586	Seedless plants
587	Vascular seedless plants
588	Bryophytes
589	[Unassigned]
590	Animals (Zoology)
591	Specific topics in natural history
592	Invertebrates
593	Marine & seashore invertebrates
594	Mollusks & molluscoids
595	Arthropods
596	Chordates

- 597 Cold-blooded vertebrates; fishes
- 598 Birds
- 599 Mammals

600	Technology
601	Philosophy & theory
602	Miscellany
603	Dictionaries & encyclopedias
604	Special topics
605	Serial publications
606	Organizations
607	Education, research & related topics
608	Inventions & patents
609	History, geographic treatment, biography
610	Medicine & health
611	Human anatomy, cytology & histology
612	Human physiology
613	Personal health & safety
614	Incidence & prevention of disease
615	Pharmacology & therapeutics
616	Diseases
617	Surgery & related medical specialties
618	Gynecology, obstetrics, pediatrics & geriatrics
619	[Unassigned]
620	Engineering & allied operations
621	Applied physics
622	Mining & related operations
623	Military & nautical engineering
624	Civil engineering
625	
	Engineering of railroads & roads
626 627	[Unassigned]
627 628	Hydraulic engineering
628	Sanitary & municipal engineering
629	Other branches of engineering
630	Agriculture & related technologies
631	Techniques, equipment & materials
632	Plant injuries, diseases & pests
633	Field & plantation crops
634	Orchards, fruits & forestry
635	Garden crops (Horticulture)
636	Animal husbandry
637	Processing dairy & related products
638	Insect culture
639	Hunting, fishing & conservation
640	Home & family management
641	Food & drink
642	Meals & table service
643	Housing & household equipment
644	Household utilities
645	Household furnishings
646	Sewing, clothing & personal living
647	Management of public households

- 648 Housekeeping
- 649 Child rearing & home care of people

650	Management & auxiliary services
651	Office services
652	Processes of written communication
653	Shorthand
654	[Unassigned]
655	[Unassigned]
656	[Unassigned]
657	Accounting
658	General management
659	Advertising & public relations
660	Chemical engineering
661	Industrial chemicals
662	Explosives, fuels & related products
663	Beverage technology
664	Food technology
665	Industrial oils, fats, waxes & gases
666	Ceramic & allied technologies
667	Cleaning, color & coating technologies
668	Technology of other organic products
669	Metallurgy
670	Manufacturing
671	Metalworking & primary metal products
672	Iron, steel & other iron alloys
673	Nonferrous metals
674	Lumber processing, wood products & cork
675	Leather & fur processing
676	Pulp & paper technology
677	Textiles
678	Elastomers & elastomer products
679	Other products of specific materials
680	Manufacture for specific uses
681	Precision instruments & other devices
682	Small forge work (Blacksmithing)
683	Hardware & household appliances
684	Furnishings & home workshops
685	Leather, fur goods & related products
686	Printing & related activities
687	Clothing & accessories
688	Other final products & packaging
689	[Unassigned]
690	Buildings
691	Building materials
692	Auxiliary construction practices
693	Specific materials & purposes
694	Wood construction & carpentry
695	Roof covering
696	Utilities
697	Heating, ventilating & air-conditioning
698	Detail finishing

699 [Unassigned]

700	The arts; fine & decorative arts
701	Philosophy of fine & decorative arts
702	Miscellany of fine & decorative arts
703	Dictionaries of fine & decorative arts
704	Special topics in fine & decorative arts
705	Serial publications of fine & decorative arts
706	Organizations & management
707	Education, research & related topics
708	Galleries, museums & private collections
709	History, geographic treatment, biography
710	Civic & landscape art
711	Area planning
712	Landscape architecture
713	Landscape architecture of trafficways
714	Water features
715	Woody plants
716	Herbaceous plants
717	Structures in landscape architecture
718	Landscape design of cemeteries
719	Natural landscapes
720	Architecture
721	Architectural structure
722	Architecture to ca. 300
723	Architecture from ca. 300 to 1399
724	Architecture from 1400
725	Public structures
726	Buildings for religious purposes
727	Buildings for education & research
728	Residential & related buildings
729	Design & decoration
730	Plastic arts; sculpture
731	Processes, forms & subjects of sculpture
732	Sculpture to ca. 500
733	Greek, Etruscan & Roman sculpture
734	Sculpture from ca. 500 to 1399
735	Sculpture from 1400
736	Carving & carvings
737	Numismatics & sigillography
738	Ceramic arts
739	Art metalwork
740	Graphic arts & decorative arts
741	Drawing & drawings
742	Perspective
743	Drawing & drawings by subject
744	[Unassigned]
745	Decorative arts
746	Textile arts
747	Interior decoration

- 748 Glass
- 749 Furniture & accessories

750	Painting & paintings
751	Techniques, equipment, materials & forms
752	Color
753	Symbolism, allegory, mythology & legend
754	Genre paintings
755	Religion
756	[Unassigned]
757	Human figures
758	Other subjects
759	History, geographic treatment, biography
760	Graphic arts; printmaking & prints
761	Relief processes (Block printing)
762	[Unassigned]
763	Lithographic processes
764	Chromolithography & serigraphy
765	Metal engraving
766	Mezzotinting, aquatinting & related processes
767	Etching & drypoint
768	[Unassigned]
769	Prints
770	Photography, photographs & computer art
771	Techniques, equipment & materials
772	Metallic salt processes
773	Pigment processes of printing
774	Holography
775	Digital photography
776	Computer art (Digital art)
777	[Unassigned]
778	Fields & kinds of photography
779	Photographs
780	Music
781	General principles & musical forms
782	Vocal music
783	Music for single voices; the voice
784	Instruments & instrumental ensembles
785	Ensembles with one instrument per part
786	Keyboard & other instruments
787	Stringed instruments
788	Wind instruments
789	(Optional number)
790	Recreational & performing arts
791	Public performances
792	Stage presentations
793	Indoor games & amusements
794	Indoor games of skill
795	Games of chance
796	Athletic & outdoor sports & games
797	Aquatic & air sports
798	Equestrian sports & animal racing

799 Fishing, hunting & shooting

800 Literature & rhetoric 801 Philosophy & theory 802 Miscellany 803 **Dictionaries & encyclopedias** 804 [Unassigned] 805 Serial publications 806 **Organizations & management** 807 Education, research & related topics 808 Rhetoric & collections of literature 809 History, description & criticism 810 American literature in English 811 American poetry in English 812 American drama in English 813 American fiction in English 814 American essays in English 815 American speeches in English 816 American letters in English 817 American letters in English 818 American miscellaneous writings 819 (Optional number) 820 English & Old English literatures 821 English poetry 822 English drama 823 **English fiction** 824 **English essays** 825 **English speeches** 826 **English letters** 827 English humor & satire 828 English miscellaneous writings 829 Old English (Anglo-Saxon) 830 Literatures of Germanic languages 831 German poetry 832 German drama 833 German fiction 834 German essays 835 German speeches 836 German letters 837 German humor & satire 838 German miscellaneous writings 839 Other Germanic literatures 840 Literatures of Romance languages 841 French poetry 842 French drama 843 French fiction 844 French essays 845 French speeches 846 **French** letters French humor & satire 847 848 French miscellaneous writings 849 **Occitan & Catalan literatures** 

850	Italian, Romanian & related literatures
851	Italian poetry
852	Italian drama
853	Italian fiction
854	Italian essays
855	Italian speeches
856	Italian letters
857	Italian humor & satire
858	Italian miscellaneous writings
859	Romanian & related literatures
860	Spanish & Portuguese literatures
861	Spanish poetry
862	Spanish drama
863	Spanish fiction
864	Spanish essays
865	Spanish speeches
866	Spanish letters
867	Spanish humor & satire
868	Spanish miscellaneous writings
869	Portuguese literatures
870	Italic literatures; Latin literature
871	Latin poetry
872	Latin dramatic poetry & drama
873	Latin epic poetry & fiction
874	Latin lyric poetry
875	Latin speeches
876	Latin letters
877	Latin humor & satire
878	Latin miscellaneous writings
879	Literatures of other Italic languages
880	Hellenic literatures; classical Greek
881	Classical Greek poetry
882	Classical Greek dramatic poetry & drama
883	Classical Greek epic poetry & fiction
884	Classical Greek lyric poetry
885	Classical Greek speeches
886	Classical Greek letters
887	Classical Greek humor & satire
888	Classical Greek miscellaneous writings
889	Modern Greek literature
890	Literatures of other languages
891	East Indo-European & Celtic literatures
892	Afro-Asiatic literatures; Semitic literatures
893	Non-Semitic Afro-Asiatic literatures
894	Altaic, Uralic, Hyperborean & Dravidian
895	Literatures of East & Southeast Asia
896	African literatures
890 897	North American native literatures
897 898	South American native literatures
	Austronesian & other literatures
899	Austionesian & other interatures

900	History & geography
901	Philosophy & theory

- 902 Miscellany
- 903 Dictionaries & encyclopedias
- 904 Collected accounts of events
- 905 Serial publications
- 906 Organizations & management
- 907 Education, research & related topics
- 908 Groups of people
- 909 World history
- 910 Geography & travel
- 911 Historical geography
- 912 Atlases, maps, charts & plans
- 913 Geography of & travel in ancient world
- 914 Geography of & travel in Europe
- 915 Geography of & travel in Asia
- 916 Geography of & travel in Africa
- 917 Geography of & travel in North America918 Geography of & travel in South America
- 919 Geography of & travel in other areas
- 920 Biography, genealogy & insignia
- 921 (Optional number)
- 922 (Optional number)
- 923 (Optional number)
- 924 (Optional number)
- 925 (Optional number)
- 926 (Optional number)
- 927 (Optional number)
- 928 (Optional number)
- 929 Genealogy, names & insignia
- 930 History of ancient world to ca. 499
- 931 China to 420
- 932 Egypt to 640
- 933 Palestine to 70
- 934 India to 647
- 935 Mesopotamia & Iranian Plateau to 637
- Europe north & west of Italy to ca. 499
- 937 Italy & adjacent territories to 476
- 938 Greece to 323
- 939 Other parts of ancient world to ca. 640
- 940 History of Europe
- 941 British Isles
- 942 England & Wales
- 943 Central Europe; Germany
- 944 France & Monaco
- 945 Italian Peninsula & adjacent islands
- 946 Iberian Peninsula & adjacent islands
- 947 Eastern Europe; Russia
- 948 Scandinavia
- 949 Other parts of Europe

- 950 History of Asia; Far East 951 China & adjacent areas 952 Japan 953 Arabian Peninsula & adjacent areas 954 South Asia; India 955 Iran 956 Middle East (Near East) 957 Siberia (Asiatic Russia) 958 **Central Asia** 959 Southeast Asia 960 History of Africa 961 Tunisia & Libya 962 Egypt & Sudan 963 Ethiopia & Eritrea 964 Northwest African coast & offshore islands 965 Algeria West Africa & offshore islands 966 967 Central Africa & offshore islands Southern Africa; Republic of South Africa 968 969 South Indian Ocean islands 970 History of North America 971 Canada 972 Middle America; Mexico 973 United States 974 Northeastern United States 975 Southeastern United States 976 South central United States 977 North central United States 978 Western United States 979 Great Basin & Pacific Slope region 980 History of South America 981 Brazil 982 Argentina 983 Chile 984 Bolivia 985 Peru 986 Colombia & Ecuador 987 Venezuela 988 Guiana 989 Paraguay & Uruguay 990 History of other areas 991 [Unassigned] 992 [Unassigned] 993 New Zealand 994 Australia 995 Melanesia; New Guinea 996 Other parts of Pacific; Polynesia
- 997 Atlantic Ocean islands
- 998 Arctic islands & Antarctica
- 999 Extraterrestrial worlds