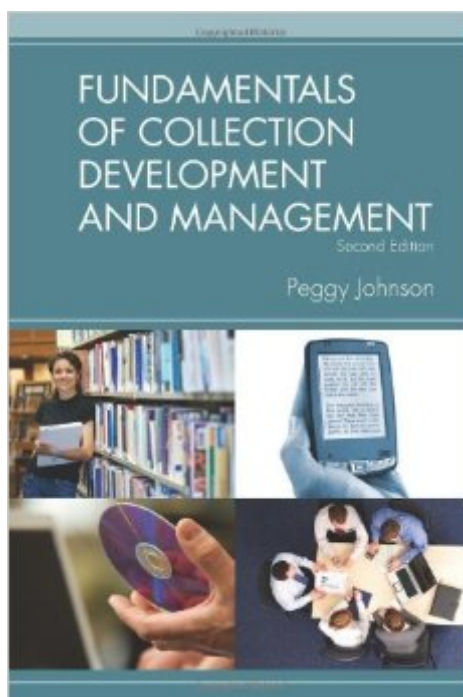


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Synopsis

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I depend on Peggy Johnson's Fundamentals of Collection Development in my own work and recommend it to all new and experienced selectors. I refer to it often using it in the preparation of presentations and in my work. The new edition is the most current and best written tool available in the field.

Purchased this book a few years ago while getting my master's degree in library science. And in my technical services library job, I am heavily involved in developing (purchasing materials and processing donations) and managing our collection (weeding books). Collection Development is an important topic for libraries and one where it's almost impossible to make everyone happy. One person will want a particular item added; another person is adamant that the library doesn't need and shouldn't get that item. Same issue with weeding books. The book discussed the importance of a library having a plan as well as rules in place to guide their decisions.

Johnson's textbook provides a good introduction to the basic concepts and trends in collection development. Highly recommended for library students.

Getting a bit dated, but still valuable for beginner librarians (it was a textbook for library science course) or librarians in isolated locations who have to be jack-of-all-trades.

The book is well written and has great organization. It was easy to get a ton of information out of. I also enjoyed the scenarios at the end of each chapter.

This book was well-written and had many good points and case studies. It introduces the theories behind collection development in libraries.

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