

Sci-fi Collection Survey

This survey is part of a volunteer project. Results will be used to write suggested guidelines for buying science fiction books and related materials at a public branch library. All questions are optional. Thank you very much for taking the time to help us!

1. Do you have a library card?

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ I don't remember

2. About how many times a year do you visit a public library?

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Less than once per year
- ☐ 1-3 times per year
- ☐ 4-10 times per year
- ☐ 11-20 times per year
- ☐ 21 or more times per year

3. About how many items per year does your household check out from a public library?

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ One or fewer items
- ☐ 2-5 items
- ☐ 6-20 items
- ☐ 21-50 items
- ☐ More than fifty items

4. Of the above, about how many are speculative fiction (sci-fi, fantasy, horror, alternate history, and similar)?

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ One or fewer items
- ☐ 2-5 items
- ☐ 6-20 items
- ☐ 21-50 items
- ☐ More than fifty items

5. Do you like to read any of the following (mark all that apply)?*Check all that apply.*

- ☐ Young Adult Novels
- ☐ Adult Novels
- ☐ Short Fiction
- ☐ Audiobooks

6. What is your preference for print versus electronic books?*Mark only one oval.*

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
I always prefer print books	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	I always prefer electronic books

7. When choosing a book to read, how important are the following factors?*Mark only one oval per row.*

	Not At All Important	Not Very Important	Moderately Important	Very Important	Extremely Important
High rating online (e.g. on Goodreads or Amazon)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I recognize the author.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
It is the first book in a series.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I am a big fan of this sub-genre.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I have read other books in this series.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The library has several other books in this series.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
This book ties in with or is related to a movie or TV show that I like.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The book is on the "new books" shelf or has a "new" sticker.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I read a review of this book.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I've heard this book is a "classic".	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
A library employee recommended this book.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
This book won a reward.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Other (please write in below)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

8. If you filled in anything for "other" above, what did you have in mind?

9. Do any of the following describe you? (mark all that apply)

Check all that apply.

- ☐ Professional Writer (more than half your income comes from writing)
- ☐ Primary or Secondary Teacher or School Librarian
- ☐ Humanities Scholar or Academic Librarian
- ☐ Public Librarian
- ☐ Entertainment Industry Professional

10. What is your age?

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Under 12
- ☐ 12-17
- ☐ 18-24
- ☐ 25-34
- ☐ 35-54
- ☐ 55-64
- ☐ Over 64

11. What is the highest level of education you have completed?

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ 6th grade or lower
- ☐ Some junior high or high school
- ☐ High school diploma or GED
- ☐ Some College
- ☐ Two year degree and/or trade apprenticeship
- ☐ Bachelors degree
- ☐ Masters Degree and/or professional license
- ☐ Doctorate

12. What is your gender?

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Female
- ☐ Male
- ☐ Prefer not to say
- ☐ Other: _____

13. How many people live in your household?*Mark only one oval.*

- ☐ One
- ☐ 2-3
- ☐ 4-6
- ☐ More than 6

14. What is your annual household income?*Mark only one oval.*

- ☐ Under \$20,000
- ☐ \$20,000 to \$50,000
- ☐ \$50,001 to \$100,000
- ☐ \$101,000 to \$250,000
- ☐ \$250,001 to \$500,000
- ☐ Over \$500,000
- ☐ Don't know or prefer not to say

15. What is your zip code?

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