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Evidence for Competency G

LIBR 248 – Beginning Cataloging and Classification

DDC Exercise 14

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**Exercise #14 to accompany Week 12 lecture notes**

**Purpose:** To help the student become familiar with the structure and significance of DDC notation, schedules and tables by analyzing the structure of a set of DDC classification numbers.

**Procedure:** Using WebDewey, observe the following:

Number to be analyzed: 614.5997

600--	Main class—Technology
610--	Subclass—Medical science
614--	Division of subclass—Public health and related topics
614.5--	Incidence, distribution, control of specific disease
614.59--	Control of “other” specific diseases
614.599--	Incidence, distribution, control of regions, systems, organs
614.5997--	That aspect of public health which deals with the incidence, distribution and control of eye diseases.

In a similar manner, analyze the following DDC numbers. In defining the complete number, be sure to indicate the overall hierarchy into which the concept falls. For example, “eye disease” as an explanation of 614.5997 is incorrect. If you want to be exact, you should mostly have the same number of lines of analysis as there are digits in the number being analyzed.

1. 155.849595

1 Philosophy & psychology

15 Psychology

155 differential and developmental psychology

155.8 ethnopsychology and national psychology

155.84 specific ethnic groups

155.849595 Ethnic and national groups-specific ethnic groups-other-east and southeast asian people-mundas

Ethnopsychology of the Munda people

2. 220.599993

2 religion

22 the bible

220 bible

220.5 text versions translations-modern versions and translations

220.59 versions in other languages

220.599993 interlingua

Translations of the Bible into Interlingua (an artificial language)

3 016.7464320437

0 computer science information general works

01 bibliographies

016 bibliographies and catalogs of individuals, works on specific subjects

016.

746.432 arts & recreation-drawing & decorative-textile-product & processes-needlework-knitting

0437 bedclothing

016 means bibliography. If you look there, you'll see a note that tells you to add 001 - 999 to that number. That means that you'll come up with something that looks like 016.001 - 016.999. The 001 - 999 means a number from the schedules themselves. 746.432 in the schedules means knitting; ergo, 016.746432 means a bibliography of knitting. 200 means religion in the schedules; 016.2 means a bibliography of religion (note that ending zeros to the right of the decimal point are just omitted...otherwise the number would be 016.200).

NB: In my mind, this is stupid...why in the world does Dewey segregate bibliographies away from all of the other material you have on a subject? Library of Congress does the same thing...stuffs all bibliography in "Z". Stupid. In my library, I abolished such nonsense...bibliographies of knitting are not housed in 016 but in 746.432 with all of the other knitting books. But...in class we're talking about the right way to do things. Just wanted you to know that your instructor is something of an anarchist when he's not a teacher...

A bibliography of knitting articles of bedclothing

4. 427.977791

4 language

42 specific languages-specific indo-european-english & old English

427 historical and geographical variations

427.9 geographic variations in other places

427.9 north America-specific states-north central states-iowa-southeastern counties-keokuk

Variations in standard English found in Keokuk County, Iowa

5. 781.59208802 (“We shall cat-a-log...”?)

7 arts and recreation

78 music

781 general principles and musical forms

781.5 other principles and musical forms-kinds of music

781.59 music reflecting other themes and subjects

781.592 protest

088 What we want to add is -08802, and the Notes area at 781.2-781.8 says that's for standard subdivisions in T1. Follow through all of the links, and you get to this Note at -088001 - -088999: "Add to base number T1--088 notation 001-999". That means to add any number from the schedules themselves; in this case it's 020...although that final 0 gets left off. Dewey numbers never end in 0.

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Protest music associated with persons occupied with library and information science