

Intermediate Library of Congress Subject Headings

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Conventions

- ▶ BT = Broader term
- ▶ NT = Narrower term
- ▶ FFS = Free-Floating Subdivision (FFSs = plural)
- ▶ LC = Library of Congress
- ▶ LCSH = Library of Congress Subject Headings
- ▶ NAF = Name Authority File
- ▶ SH = subject heading
- ▶ SHM = Subject Headings Manual

Tools

- ▶ *Library of Congress Subject Headings*
 - ▶ PDF Files: <https://www.loc.gov/aba/publications/FreeLCSH/freelcsh.html>
 - ▶ Classification Web (subscription service) <https://classificationweb.net/>
 - ▶ LC Authorities <http://authorities.loc.gov>
- ▶ Library of Congress Subject Headings Manual (SHM)
<https://www.loc.gov/aba/publications/FreeSHM/freeshm.html>
- ▶ Library of Congress Genre/Form Headings
<https://www.loc.gov/catdir/cpso/genreformgeneral.html>
- ▶ Broughton, Vanda. *Essential Library of Congress Subject Headings*. New York: Neal-Schuman Publishers, Inc., 2012. ISBN 978-1-55570-640-1

Learning Outcomes

- ▶ Construct structured headings with applicable free-floating subdivisions
- ▶ Select and apply name headings as subject headings
- ▶ Apply appropriate headings for works about literature and works that are literature
- ▶ Apply appropriate genre terms

Related Headings

- ▶ If a heading exists that represents the two or three topics discussed in a work, and that includes no other topics within its scope, assign the one heading instead of two or three narrower headings.
 - ▶ Title: In praise of single parents : mothers and fathers embracing the challenge.
 - ▶ 650 #0 \$a Single parents \$z United States.
 - ▶ [*not* 650 #0 \$a Single mothers \$z United States.
650 #0 \$a Single fathers \$z United States.]
- ▶ Make note of Broader and Narrower terms (BT, NT).
- ▶ Don't use a BT and one or more of its NTs in the record.

Pattern Headings

- ▶ Pattern headings provide guidance on allowable FFS headings for specific types of LCSH vocabulary terms.
- ▶ All animals, see **Fishes** and/or **Cattle**
- ▶ H 1146 in the SHM provides the full list with references to specific SHM sheets

<i>Subject Field</i>	<i>Category</i>	<i>Pattern Heading(s)</i>	
<i>SOCIAL SCIENCES</i>	Industries	Construction industry Retail trade	H 1153
	Types of educational institutions	Universities and colleges	H 1151.5
	Individual educational institutions	Harvard University	H 1151
	Legal topics	Labor laws and legislation	H 1154.5

Cattle (*May Subd Geog*)

[SF191-SF219]

UF Bos taurus

BT Bos

Livestock

NT Beef cattle

Bulls

Calves

Cows

Dairy cattle

Dual-purpose cattle

Feral cattle

Oxen

— **Abnormalities** (*May Subd Geog*)

— **Age** (*May Subd Geog*)

— **Age determination** (*May Subd Geog*)

— **Aging**

— **Prevention**

— **Anatomy**

[SF767.C3]

UF Bovine anatomy

Cows—Anatomy

— **Atlases**

— **Anecdotes**

UF Cattle—Anecdotes, facetiae, satire, etc.

[Former heading]

— Anecdotes, facetiae, satire, etc.

USE Cattle—Anecdotes

Cattle—Humor

— **Artificial insemination** (*May Subd Geog*)

[SF201.5]

— **Autopsy** (*May Subd Geog*)

— **Behavior** (*May Subd Geog*)

— **Chiropractic treatment** (*May Subd Geog*)

BT Cattle—Diseases—Treatment

— **Diagnosis** (*May Subd Geog*)

— **Diet therapy** (*May Subd Geog*)

BT Cattle—Diseases—Treatment

— **Epidemiology**

— **Genetic aspects**

— **Homeopathic treatment** (*May Subd Geog*)

BT Cattle—Diseases—Alternative
treatment

— **Nursing** (*May Subd Geog*)

— **Nutritional aspects** (*May Subd Geog*)

— **Prevention**

NT Cattle—Vaccination

— Preventive inoculation

USE Cattle—Vaccination

— **Research** (*May Subd Geog*)

— **Treatment** (*May Subd Geog*)

NT Cattle—Diseases—Alternative
treatment

Cattle—Diseases—Chemotherapy

Cattle—Diseases—Chiropractic

treatment

Cattle—Diseases—Diet therapy

Cattle—Surgery

— Vaccination

USE Cattle—Vaccination

— **Dissection** (*May Subd Geog*)

— **Early works to 1800**

— **Ecology** (*May Subd Geog*)

— **Economic aspects** (*May Subd Geog*)

— **Effect of aircraft on** (*May Subd Geog*)

— **Effect of drought on** (*May Subd Geog*)

— **Forecasting**

BT Agriculture—Forecasting

Forecasting

— **Forms**

UF Cattle—Forms, blanks, etc. [Former
heading]

— Forms, blanks, etc.

USE Cattle—Forms

— **Fractures** (*May Subd Geog*)

BT Cattle—Wounds and injuries

— **Treatment** (*May Subd Geog*)

— **Generative organs**

— **Genetic engineering** (*May Subd Geog*)

NT Cattle—Cloning

— **Genetics**

NT Cattle—Genome mapping

— Immunological aspects

USE Cattle—Immunology—Genetic aspects

— **Genome mapping** (*May Subd Geog*)

BT Cattle—Genetics

— **Geographical distribution**

— **Germplasm resources** (*May Subd Geog*)

[SF201.3]

— **Cryopreservation** (*May Subd Geog*)

— **Microbiology** (*May Subd Geog*)

— **Government policy** (*May Subd Geog*)

— **Grading** (*May Subd Geog*)

— **Grooming** (*May Subd Geog*)

UF Grooming of cattle

BT Cattle—Handling

— **Growth**

[SF203]

RT Bovine somatotropin

First Subject Heading

- ▶ First SH is most encompassing of the content
 - ▶ Biographies should use the name heading first followed by a Class of person heading
- ▶ First SH is the basis for selection of the Library of Congress Classification
- ▶ For cross-disciplinary works where two or more headings are co-equal, pick one

Geographic Names and Subdivisions

- ▶ Direct vs. Indirect Order
- ▶ Geographic names as TOPICS are given in DIRECT ORDER
 - ▶ 651 #0 \$a Good Thunder (Minn.)
 - ▶ 651 #0 \$a Blue Earth County (Minn.)
 - ▶ 651 #0 \$a Berlin (Germany)
- ▶ Geographic names as SUBDIVISIONS are given in INDIRECT ORDER
 - ▶ 650 #0 \$a Health care \$z Minnesota \$z Mankato.
 - ▶ 650 #0 \$a Agriculture \$z Minnesota \$z Blue Earth County.

Proper Indirect Order

- ▶ The Name Heading Record provides the INDIRECT ORDER in field 781

010 \$a n 79072899
034 \$d W0940401 \$e W0940401 \$f N0440200
035 \$a (OCoLC)oca00305646
040 \$a DLC \$b eng \$c DLC \$d WaU \$d OCoLC
043 \$a n-us-mn
151 \$a Blue Earth County (Minn.)
451 \$w nnaa \$a Blue Earth Co., Minn.
670 \$a GeoNames, algorithmically matched, 20
781 0 \$z Minnesota \$z Blue Earth County

Preferred Heading

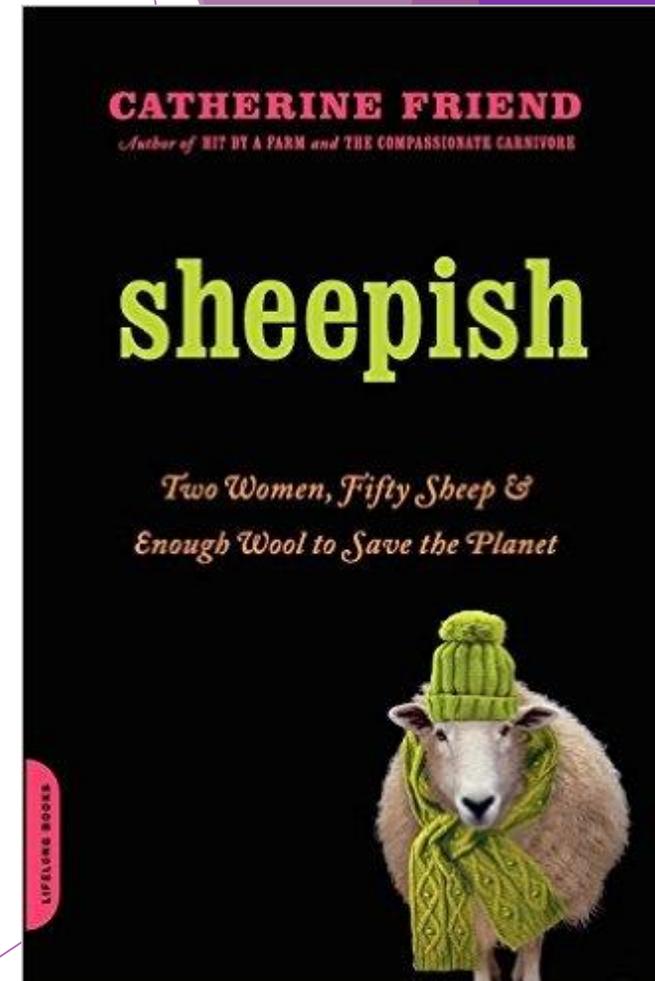
Indirect Order

Countries, Regions, & First-order Political Subdivisions

- ▶ Country is any geo-political area with boundaries recognized as a sovereign nations
 - ▶ Apache Tribe of Oklahoma
 - ▶ Canada
 - ▶ Japan
- ▶ Regions are areas bigger than or smaller than countries, such as continents or areas that span multiple countries or political subdivisions
- ▶ Political subdivision is any official portion of a country, such as a state, province, county, etc.
- ▶ First-order political subdivision is the highest administrative subdivision in a country. For example each of the 50 states in the United States

Countries that Use First-order Political Subdivisions in Geographic FFS

- ▶ United States, Canada, and Great Britain
- ▶ Use the state, province, or constituent country as the gathering device
- ▶ Thus:
 - ▶ 650 #0 \$a Sheep farming \$z Scotland \$x Management.
 - ▶ 650 #0 \$a Sheep-shearing \$z Minnesota.
 - ▶ 650 #0 \$a Sheep-shearing \$z Minnesota \$z Blue Earth County.
 - ▶ NOT
 - ▶ 650 #0 \$a Sheep-shearing \$z United States \$z Minnesota.



Order of Topical and Geographic FFS

- ▶ General order of terms is:
- ▶ 650 \$a Topical term \$x Topical FFS \$z Geographic FFS
- ▶ 650 #0 \$a Ecology \$x Study and teaching \$z Minnesota \$v Bibliography.
 - ▶ **Ecology** (May Subd Geog)
 - ▶ **--Study and teaching** (May Subd Geog)
Use as a topical subdivision under subjects for works on methods of study and teaching of those subjects.

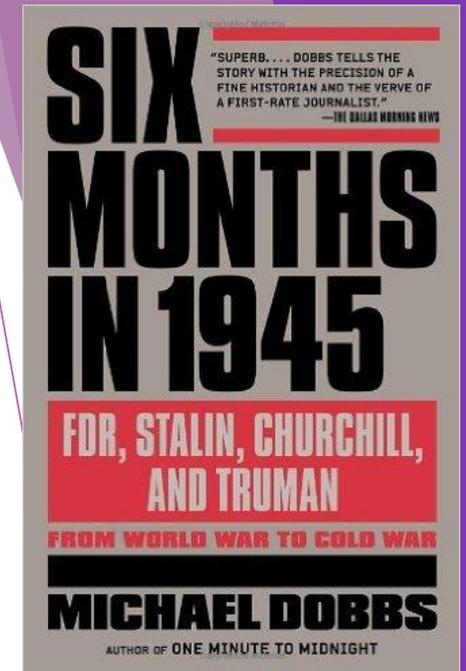
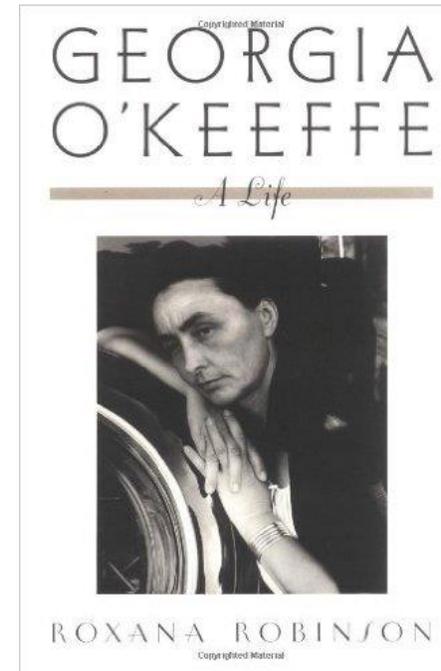
Geographic Subdivision Order

- ▶ 650 #0 \$a Sheep farming \$z Scotland \$x Management.
 - ▶ Sheep farming (May Subd Geog)
 - ▶ --Management
Use as a topical subdivision under ... types of industries
- ▶ The geographic subdivision must directly follow the last term that allows geographic subdividing.
- ▶ Sheep farming is geographically subdivisible
- ▶ Management is not because it does not say (May Subd Geog) or (Not Subd Geog)

Names as Subjects

- ▶ Biographical works
- ▶ Works about specific people
- ▶ Use the NAF to find the Preferred heading

- ▶ 600 10 \$a O'Keeffe, Georgia, \$d 1887-1986
- ▶ 600 10 \$a Roosevelt, Franklin D. \$q (Franklin Delano), \$d 1882-1945
- ▶ 600 10 \$a Stalin, Joseph, \$d 1878-1953

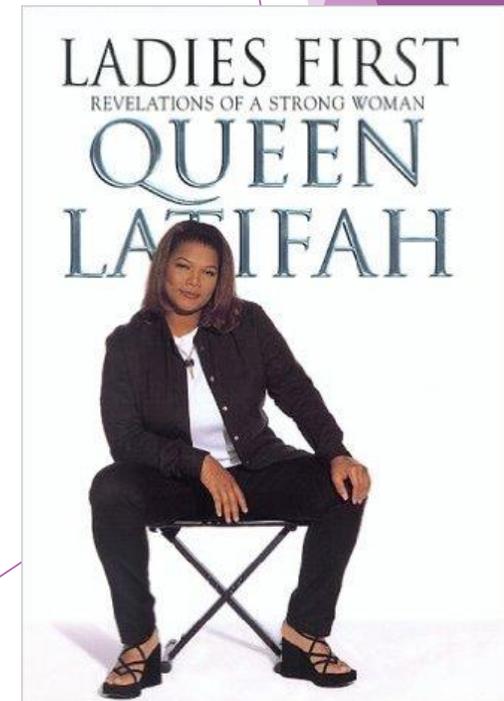
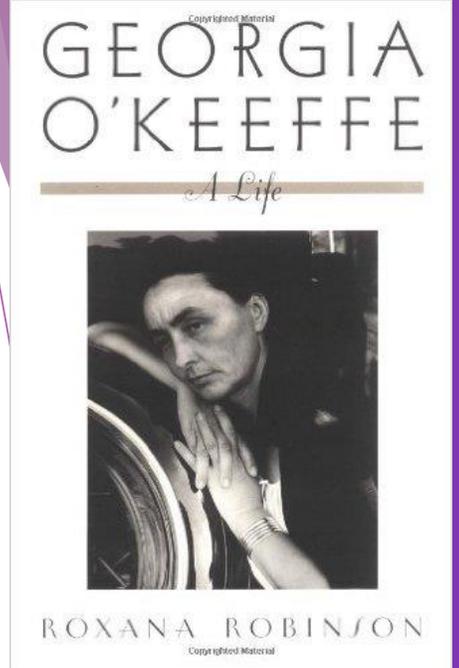


Biography Form Subdivision

- ▶ For biographical works
- ▶ Give the name heading first, followed by a class of persons term
- ▶ 600 10 \$a O'Keeffe, Georgia, \$d 1887-1986
- ▶ 650 #0 \$a Women painters \$v Biography.

- ▶ For multi-faceted careers, select the heading that best represents their career. Use multiple terms if a single term will not work.
- ▶ 600 00 \$a Queen Latifah, \$d 1970-
- ▶ 650 #0 \$a Artists \$v Biography.

Rap musicians
Jazz singers
Actresses
Television talk show hosts
Women chief executive officers



Subject Analysis for Nonfiction Works

- ▶ 650 #0 \$a ... in literature.
 - ▶ LCSH has over 3800 terms currently
 - ▶ Abandoned children in literature.
 - ▶ Abjection in literature.
 - ▶ Bread in literature.
 - ▶ Buddhism in literature.
 - ▶ Etc., etc., etc.
 - ▶ 650 #0 \$a [Literary form] \$x History and criticism.
 - ▶ 600 10 \$a [Individual person*] \$x Criticism and interpretation.
 - ▶ * Not biographical content.
 - ▶ 600 10 \$a [Individual person] \$x Characters.
 - ▶ 600 10 \$a [Individual person]. \$t [Work title] \$x Characters.
- } More common
- } Rare

Summarization of the Content

- ▶ 7.10.1.1 **RDA** an abstract, summary, synopsis, etc., of the content of a resource.
- ▶ 7.10.1.3 **RDA** Provide a brief objective summary of the content of the resource if it is considered to be important for identification or selection (e.g., for audiovisual resources or for resources designed for use by persons with disabilities) and sufficient information is not provided in another part of the description.
- ▶ 7.10.1.3 **LC-PCC PS** has guidance on summaries from other sources

Example from *Lord Foul's Bane*

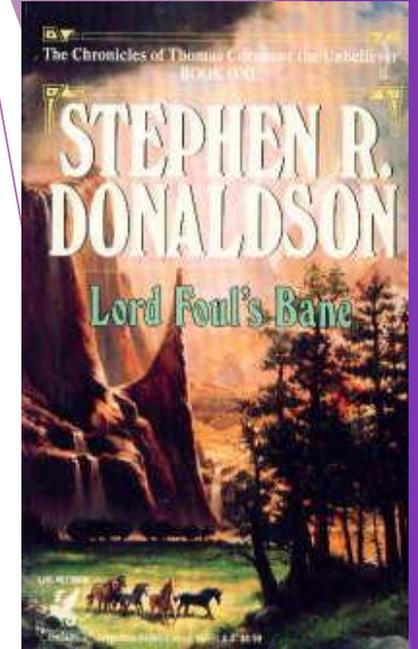
- ▶ 520 ## §a Thomas Covenant is an author who loses the last two fingers on his right hand to **leprosy**. Transported to an alternate world, he is given a message to deliver that will destroy the Land. Believing he is suffering from a **delusion**, Covenant names himself the Unbeliever, distances himself from his role as the **savior** of the Land, and struggles with the **reality** of his experiences and mistakes in both worlds.

Subject Analysis

- ▶ H 1790 Literature: Fiction
 - ▶ The Library of Congress' SHM Subject Headings Manual lays out practice for the Library of Congress (LC)
 - ▶ LC only supplies subject analysis for biographical and historical fiction, and animal stories
- ▶ Non-LC Libraries can do what they wish
- ▶ Use your Summarization of the Content to select subject headings
- ▶ Subject analysis *MUST* be based on the PLOT
- ▶ NEVER use genre as a subject heading
- ▶ Always ask—does this subject string tell me what the story or content is *about*?

Example from *Lord Foul's Bane*

- ▶ Keywords I highlighted were: leprosy, delusion, savior, reality.
- ▶ From this we can get:
 - ▶ 650 #0 \$a Leprosy \$x Patients \$v Fiction.
 - ▶ 650 #0 \$a Mind and reality \$v Fiction.
 - ▶ 650 #0 \$a Redemption \$v Fiction.
- ▶ Fictional characters and places appearing in at least three discrete works may be given their own authority record:
 - ▶ 650 #0 \$a Covenant, Thomas (Fictitious character) \$v Fiction.
 - ▶ 600 10 \$a Potter, Harry \$c (Fictitious character) \$v Fiction.
 - ▶ 650 #0 \$a Oz (Imaginary place) \$v Fiction.

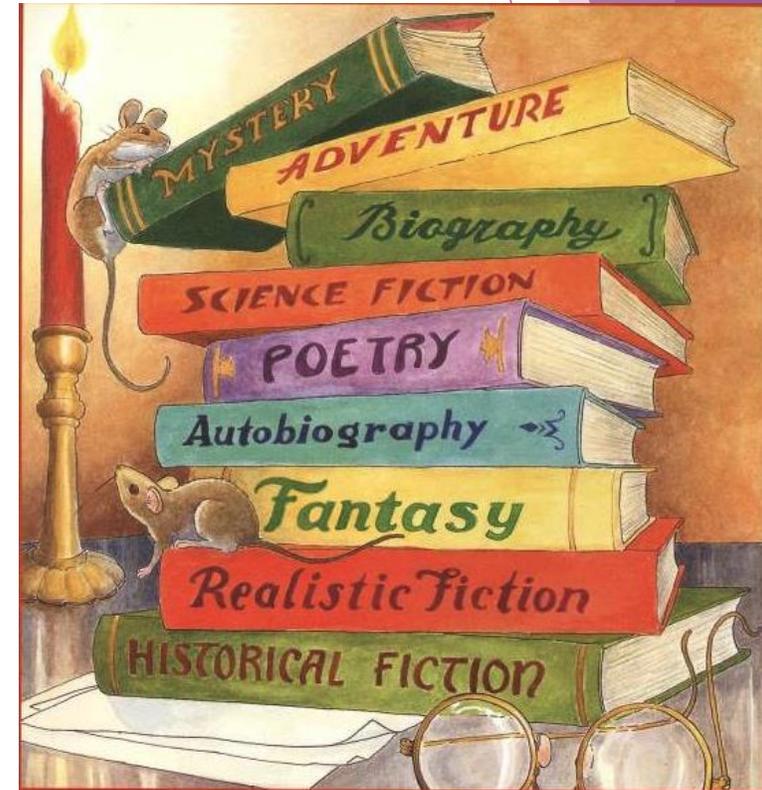


Genre

- ▶ A distinctive type or category of literary composition, such as the epic, tragedy, comedy, novel, and short story. -Britannica.
- ▶ Use 655 Genre terms:
 - ▶ 655 #0 \$a Detective and mystery stories, American.
 - ▶ 655 #0 \$a Science fiction, English.
 - ▶ 655 #0 \$a Graphic novels.
- ▶ Terms may come from LSCH or Genre/Form list
 - ▶ 655 #7 \$a Action and adventure fiction. \$2 lcgft



Use second indicator 7 and
Thesaurus code *lcgft*



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