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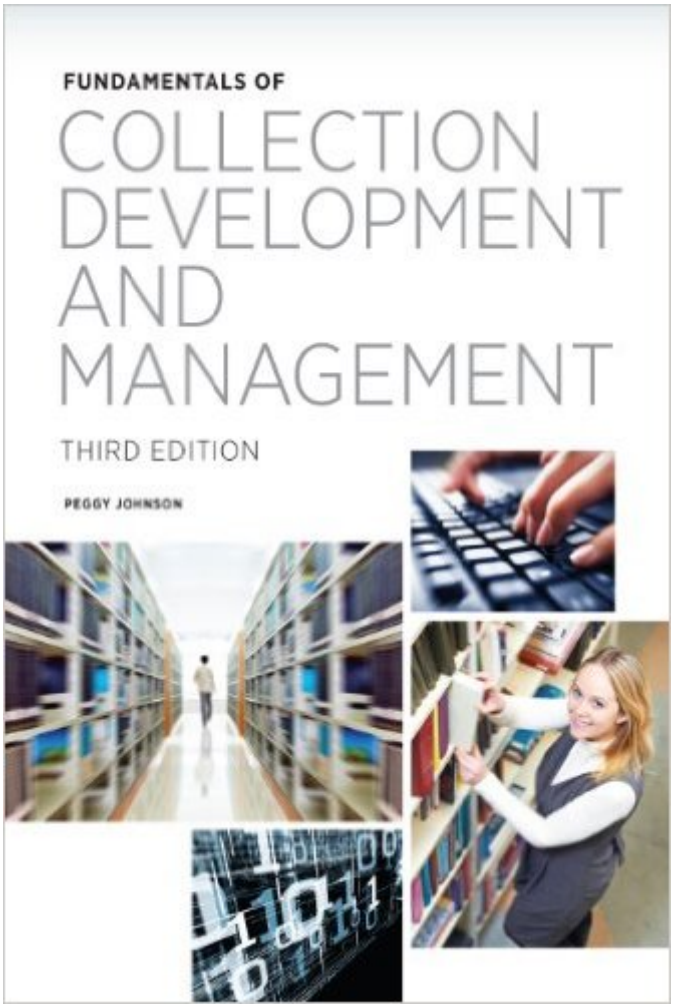

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In this sweeping revision of a text that has become an authoritative standard, expert instructor and librarian Peggy Johnson addresses the art of controlling and updating library collections, whether located locally or accessed remotely. Each chapter offers complete coverage of one aspect of collection development and management, including numerous suggestions for further reading and narrative case studies exploring the issues. Johnson thoroughly considersTraditional management topics such as organization of the collection, weeding, staffing, and policymakingMaintaining productive relationships with vendors and publishers, and other important purchasing and budgeting topicsThe effects of rapidly changing information delivery and access technologies, the evolving needs and expectations of library users, and new roles for subject specialistsJohnson offers a comprehensive tour of this essential discipline and situates the fundamental ideas of collection development and management in historical and theoretical perspective, bringing this modern classic fully up to date.

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This book has a lot of great information about collection development and management. It’s well written and quite informative. It’s a bit of a difficult read because each chapter is pretty long and has lots of text in kind of small font. There aren’t really any images, charts, tables, etc. in the chapters, which can help break the reading up bit, so reading this can get a little boring. The information really is pretty interesting though, so I still think its a good book overall. I would just recommend reading

the chapters in chunks in multiple sittings rather than read full chapters in 1 sitting.

This is a very good book. I had this assigned for my library graduate school class on collection development. It was helpful, especially the case studies, in ascertaining collection development questions.

It met my academic needs and the book was in excellent condition.

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