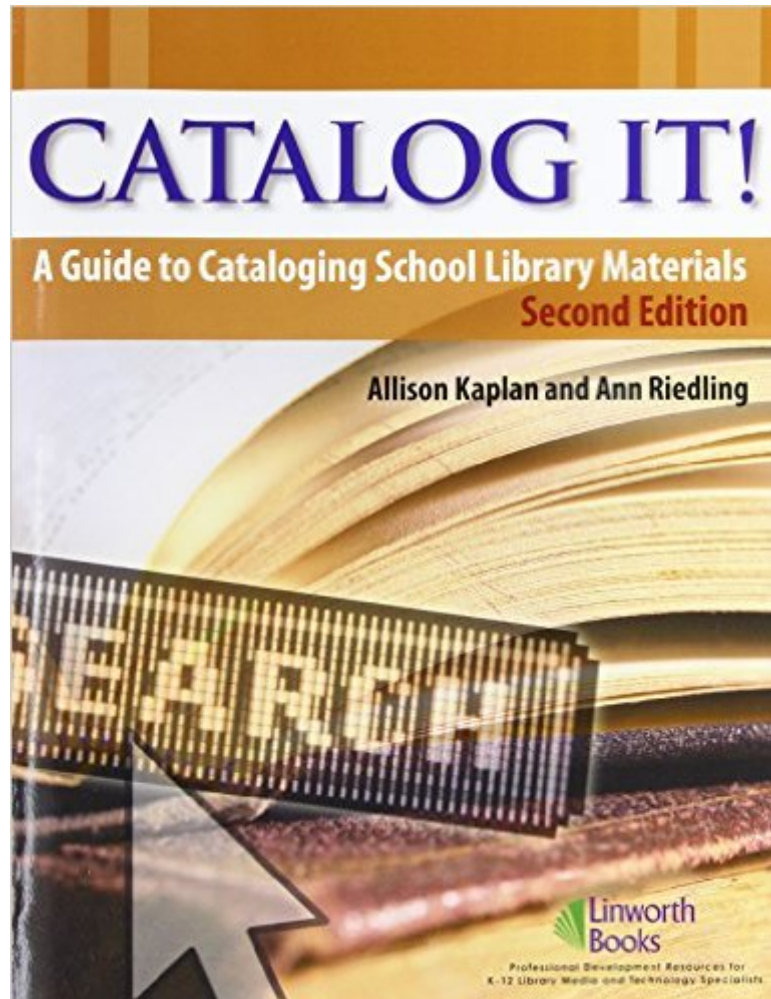# Catalog It!: A Guide To Cataloging School Library Materials (2nd Edition)

Synopsis

This comprehensive guide explains the fundamentals of cataloging so you can get items on the library shelves quickly and efficiently.

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Customer Reviews

Yes, as others have said, this book is oddly organized and not an easy read. I do, however highly recommend it for students of library science. Cataloging itself is not easy, and I have found this book, combined with focused study time, to be one of the most informative and helpful on the subject. Hopefully by the next edition, they will get some of the more cosmetic issues fixed.

This was the assigned text book for an ILS cataloging class. I found it somewhat confusing and out of order. Though the authors explain why they chose to present the information this way I found I had to read sections repeatedly and was frequently flipping back and forth in order to understand a concept fully. Admittedly MARC tagging is a difficult topic and a challenge to present with any continuity. Still, though it served its purpose, this was not one of my favorite textbooks.

This was my first textbook concerning MARC records. As an Information and Library Services student and having never worked in a library setting I really found this textbook helpful. Of course, I had to use it for a class. But, it served it's purpose. It's mainly to get you started on the basics of

cataloging and helps you begin to understand how MARC records work. I'm glad I purchased, rather than rented because I will be using it to help memorize some things for the future.

Catalog It! is a great resource for people working in libraries who need to understand the coding language used in entering catalog records. Kaplan's book makes it easier to understand and implement writing a MARC21 record.

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