

Early Childhood Educators Guide

The New Westminster Public Library's Children & Youth Department may be reached by phone at **604-527-4677**, or by email at youth@nwpl.ca

Top Library Tips!

- Plan ahead! If you are looking for holiday books or other very popular seasonal books, start looking for these at least a month ahead of time. *We cannot guarantee last minute availability of popular items.*
- Get comfortable with searching the Library catalogue (see other side of this handout) at home to save time and ensure items are available for you when you come to the library.
- If you work for a daycare, ask your employer if they have an institutional library card so that you are not held liable for lost or damaged items on your personal card.
- The library offers printing and photocopying for 20 cents/page (unfortunately, we cannot provide free handouts for your classroom).

You can borrow the following items from the library:

- Picture books for circle time
- Music CDs
- Books with ideas for planning activities for children (these are housed in adult Non-Fiction under the call number **372**)
- Storytime Kits
 - These kits contain 8-12 books plus a song/rhyme sheet and one or two other items on a specific theme.
 - You may borrow one kit at a time for up to 3 weeks.

For felt stories, puppets, and other resources, visit the **YMCA Early Learning Resource Library**: 620 Royal Ave, Suite 201 | 604-931-3400

How to Find Books in the Library Catalogue

1. Type what you are looking for in the search bar. This can be a theme (for example, "Bears") or a specific book title or author.
2. Use the **"Filter your results by..."** column on the left to narrow your results by audience (show only books for children), or format (show only books, not DVDs or other items).
 - a. If you need something today, use the **Available Now** filter
3. Books with **PIC** in the call number field are picture books for ages 3-5. Look for these if you want books for circle time.
4. Looking for ideas? Check out our **Staff Picks** book lists. These are lists of our favourite titles, as well as lists of all our books on certain popular subjects.

The screenshot shows the NWPL website interface. At the top, there's a navigation bar with 'Home', 'Explore', 'Digital Content', 'Hours & Locations', 'Using the Library', 'Events', 'Suggest a Purchase', 'Search Other Libraries', and 'Connect'. A search bar is prominently displayed with 'bears' entered. Below the search bar, a red circle highlights the 'Filter your results by...' section on the left. This section includes filters for 'Available Now', 'Locations' (Main Branch, Queensborough Branch), 'Format' (Books, Audiobooks, Movies & TV, Music & Sound), and 'Audience' (Children). The main search results area shows a list of books. The first result is 'Bears' by Boreham, Brenda. The second result, 'Not This Bear!' by Myers, Bernice, is highlighted with a red box. This book is a picture book for preschoolers (PIC) and is available. The book cover for 'Not This Bear!' is shown on the left, and the title, author, and call number (PIC Mye) are listed on the right. A red arrow points to the 'PIC' in the call number, with a note: 'PIC = this book is a picture book for preschoolers'. Another red arrow points to the 'Available' status, with a note: 'This book is available'. The book is also marked as 'Available' and 'View location availability' is provided. The book is available at the Main Branch (380) and Queensborough Branch (110).

Click here for Staff Picks lists

Keyword search: **bears**

Narrow your search

Filter your results by...

Available Now

Available Online (1)

LOCATIONS

At any location (444)

Main Branch (380) ★

Queensborough Branch (110)

Format

Books

Book (380) ★

Board Book (7)

Graphic Novel (4)

Audiobooks

Movies & TV

Music & Sound

New at the library...

Content

Audience

Children (380) ★

Search by: Keyword bears Search bar

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Book x Children x Main Branch x Clear filters

Sort by: Relevance

Pin filters

1 to 10 of 379 results

Bears
by Boreham, Brenda

Book - 2016
READER PBK 2
Available View location availability

Place hold

For Later

Not This Bear!
by Myers, Bernice

★★★★☆

PIC = this book is a picture book for preschoolers

Book - 2015
PIC Mye
Available View location availability

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