

Scavenger Hunt

Library staff can help you with any of the questions below. Staff can also show you how to use the catalogue or the computers. Just ask!

1. Apply for a library card. Your family can also have free library cards. Bring 2 pieces of ID, one with your address on it. You can apply at any of the 20 locations of Winnipeg Public Library.

Where in the library do you apply for a library card?

2. Pick up a copy of the Membership Guide. Ask staff if you can't find it. Read the library's membership guide.

Where is the membership guide located in the library?

Answer the following questions:

a) For how long can I take out a book?

b) For how long can I take out a DVD?

c) What does it mean to 'renew' a book? How do I do it?

d) What does it mean to 'request' a book?

e) What other information is very important to know in using the library?

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3. Look at the Programs & Events calendar to see library programs. Find something of interest to you and your family. All programs are free! (hint: Search Programs & Events at winnipeg.ca/library, Or look at the library's poster board)

Answer the following questions:

a) What program are you interested in attending?

b) What day and time is the program?

c) What library has the program?

4. Find a book and read it together with a child. The library has children's books for all ages and at all reading levels – from babies to teens. You can also ask library staff what is popular, or ask for a Canadian classic.

Where are children's books in the library? _____

5. Many libraries have a Juvenile Dual Language collection. Ask staff where to find them. Can you find a language you know? Choose a book of interest and compare the two languages. Read it aloud – in both languages.

Where are Juvenile Dual Language books located in the library?

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6. Learn how to use the library's catalogue. You can search by title, author, or subject. The catalogue tells you what libraries have the book and if it is on the shelf or checked out. Ask library staff if you need help.

Where is the catalogue located in the library? _____

Look up the book called "Winnipeg Walks". What is the call number?

Is it on the shelf or checked out?

Look up the book called "Resume magic".

The book is found at what libraries? _____

7. Use the library's catalogue and locate a Non-Fiction book with information about a subject that interests you. Fiction books are made up stories.

Non-Fiction books have true information on many subjects. Examples:

- Health (a condition you want to know more about, nutrition, health careers)
- Careers (job interviewing, writing a resume, researching a career)
- Computers (how to use, computer programs)
- Home (gardening, cooking, home repair, buying a home, car repair)

They are organized by subject and have a call number on the side.

Where are Non Fiction books in the library?

I found a book about: _____ The call number is:

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8. Try some of the library's Language Learning databases. They can help you read, write, and speak English.
- You can find a learning level that's right for you at Active Reading. You can practise using a dictionary, read stories, and more.
 - You can listen to and read stories at Tumble Book Cloud.
 - You can practice your grammar at Tense Buster.

You can also use these learning databases at home at winnipeg.ca/library. It's a great way to learn outside the classroom.

Where are the databases located in the library?

I chose to look at the _____ database.

On the database, I found information on: _____

9. Find how to book a library computer. Internet and Word computers are available. Your library membership gives you 2 hours a day.
- You can update your resume
 - You can read the latest news from cbc.ca
 - You can browse for information on a topic of interest

It is easy to cancel your booking - ask staff to show you how. Or, go in to your account bookings and cancel it yourself.

Where can you book a computer in the library? _____

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10. Find a newspaper or magazine article that interests you. All 20 locations of Winnipeg Public Library have newspapers and magazines. You can also find newspapers and magazines online on our databases.

Where are newspapers and magazines in the library?

I found an article about: (topic) _____

11. Some libraries have a Multilingual collection for adults. Ask the staff where to find it. What languages are there? Can you find titles that interest you?

Where are the multilingual books in the library? _____

12. Find material to help improve reading, writing and speaking English. Explore the Adult Basic Education (ABE) and English as a Second Language (ESL) collections. You can find books, DVDs and CDs that will help you learn vocabulary, grammar, and more.

Where are ABE and ESL books in the library? _____

Use the library's catalogue to find a book on grammar (title):

Is it on the shelf or checked out?

Can you find a bilingual dictionary? What languages does it have?

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13. Locate a levelled reader in the Adult Basic Education collection. Some are also called Penguin Readers, Cambridge, Grassroots or McMillan readers. Many levelled readers have a CD to listen to the story. Choose a book that is the right level for you.

Where are levelled readers in the library? _____

I found a book called: _____
