Used Book Donation Guidelines

Thanks for donating your gently used/like new books to Bernie's Book Bank. We distribute free books to children at Title 1 schools and WIC early childhood centers in the Chicagoland area for their own home libraries. Our children have few books of their own. Please donate only books you would be proud to hand to them. We appreciate your help with this so our volunteers can focus on getting great books to the children. \bigcirc

Books we CAN use:

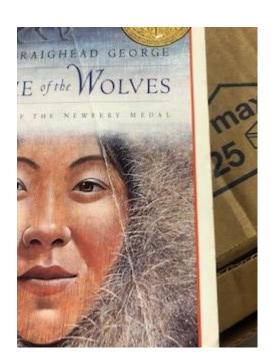
- Board books
- Storybooks
- Chapter books
- Graphic Novels
- Spanish

Books we CAN'T use:

- Bent or torn covers
- Ripped or dogeared pages
- Damaged covers/look beat up
- Outdated Nonfiction
- Reference/Textbooks
- Guided/Leveled/Decodable Readers
- Teaching Guides
- YA



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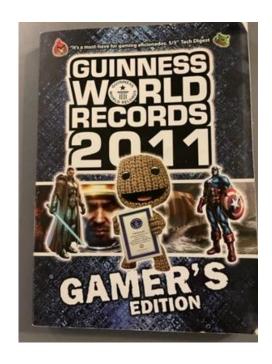
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Warped pages, previously wet



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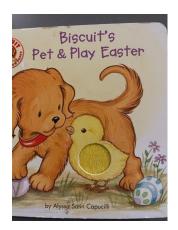


Worn hardcover corners



or stitched, < 17 pages.

Guided/Leveled/Decodab le readers Classroom set booklets, stapled



Over-loved, beat up
Chipped edges, discolored cover,
Broken inside flaps/pop-ups, stickers
torn/missing.



Young Adult
Harry Potter and Percy Jackson are
the upper end of our difficulty level.

