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What is Bowker’s Books in Print?

As the U.S. ISBN Agency and the most authoritative source for title information, Bowker is focused on providing high quality, feature-rich, unbiased resources to our customers. Books In Print is the database of record for major U.S. retailers who proudly show Bowker’s data on their terminals when looking up any title information.

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Subjects: General
Login Required: Yes
Full Text: 100%
Provider: Bowker’s

How do I access Books in Print?

1. Go to the homepage of the WSC Library at http://academic.wsc.edu/conn_library/ and select and select See full electronic database list under “Find Scholarly Journal Articles.”

2. Scroll for the direct link to Browker’s Books in Print.
How do I perform a basic search in *Books in Print*?

1. Choose your search criteria from the drop-down menu in the *Quick Search* box:
   - Keyword
   - Author
   - Title
   - ISBN/UPC code

2. Enter a search term or phrase into the search blank.

3. Choose the Status of the item you are looking for:
   - In Print
   - Out of Print
   - Forthcoming

4. Choose the Format if the Item:
   - Book
   - Audio
   - Video

5. Click *Submit*. 
How do I perform more advanced searches in *Books in Print*?

1. Select *Advanced Search* from the Quick Search box.

2. Choose your search criteria from drop-down menu and enter your search term(s) and/or phrase(s) into the search blanks.

3. Indicate how you would like the results sorted.

4. Choose the Status and Format you prefer.

5. Add limiters:
   - Book limiters
   - Subject limiters
   - Audience
   - Publication Year
   - Price Ranges
   - Binding
   - Media Mention
   - Reviewed in
   - Vendor
   - Full Text

6. Indicate if you wish to Save Settings to use the criteria until you end the current session or your window browser closes.

7. Select Search.

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How can I narrow my search?

If you are not sure of what exactly you are looking for or your results are too broad, try using the Browse feature to browse for items by one of the indexes:

- Author/Contributor
- Award Name
- Award Year
- BISAC Subject
- Publisher Name
- Review Source
- Series Title
- Subject (All)
- Title (Exact)

For example, if you know your title begins with the word *red*, browse by *title exact* and type *red* to advance to the titles beginning with *red*.

Or, if you want a book whose topic is *education*, browse by *subject (all)* and type *education* to advance to the subjects starting with *education*. You can then browse through the education subject headings by using the Next Page link.
What are Feature Rooms?

Feature rooms allow you to find spotlighted current titles, author facts, and direct links to websites for persons search for titles in particular areas. Extra search options are available. Links to the feature rooms are above the QuickSearch box.
What should I know about the search results screen?

- **View Selected Items** brings you to the Full Description of the selected titles.
- **Add to List** creates a new list or adds the selected titles to a list you have already saved.
- **Print** creates an easy-to-read print-out of the title details you wish to use.
- **Search My Library's Catalog** allows you to see if WSC has the title.
- **Download** enables you to save title details in one of many formats.
- **E-Mail** enables a selection of levels of title details, a window for email addresses, and a comment area.

The Legend will tell you if titles are Reviewed, have a Synopsis, Full Text Preview availability, Stock information, or are available with ebrary.

Sort in Descending or Ascending order by:

- Relevance
- Title
- Author
- Publisher
- ISBN/UPC
- Format
- Date
- Price
- Dewey #
- LC Class #

Items missing that field will default to the top.
What should I know about the citation?

- Symbols before the title refer to the Legend.
- Important details about the item are well-labeled. Depending upon the individual item, these may include author, publisher, ISBN, format, date, price, and availability, and classification numbers.
- When you select the title or use the View Selected Items button, you will access the item’s Full Description.

What should I know about the Full Description?

The Full Description may include:

- Title
- Cover image
- Author/contributor
- Publication date
- Publisher
- ISBN
- Item Status
- Binding Format
- Running Time for media
- Edition
- Number of Pages
- Retail Price
- Sources of Distribution
- If Large Type
- If Illustrated
- Series Name
- Age Range
- Grade Range
- Audience
- Bestseller Lists
- Browker Subjects
- General Subjects
- Dewey Decimal Number
- LCCN and LC Call#
- Physical Size & Weight
- Brief Description/Annotation
- Full Text Link

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What other information is available?

Tabs from the Full Description allow you to view:

- Publisher Information
- Title Reviews
- Author Biographies
- Other Formats
- Stock Availability
- Table of Contents

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How can I find awards information?

The Awards tab allows you to search almost 400 major book, audio, and movie awards by selecting the letter of the alphabet for the award you need, or browse by subject and see only awards in that category.

Caldicott Medal:

Description: The award is named in honor of the nineteenth-century English illustrator Randolph J. Caldecott and is awarded to the artist of the most distinguished American Picture Book for Children published in the United States during the preceding year.

Country: UNITED STATES

Prize: A bronze medal with the winner's name and the date engraved on the back.


2008 Winner(s):

Finalists: First the Egg by Laura Vaccaro Seeger
Henry's Freedom Box by Ellen Levine
Knuffle Bunny Too: A Case of Mistaken Identity by Mo Willems
The Wall: Growing up Behind the Iron Curtain by Peter Sis

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The Bestsellers tab allows you to search for Publishers Weekly Bestsellers, and Bowker’s Bestsellers Database.

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How can I find information on authors?

The Bios tab allows you to search for biographical information on selected authors.

Bowker's Author Biography: Stephen King

Born: 1947
Occupation: Professor, Novelist

Stephen King was born in Portland, Maine, on September 21, 1947, to Donald and Nellie Ruth King. King wrote his first story before he was seven years old. As a teenager, he played on the football team and joined a rock band, and he published his first short stories in high school newspapers. After graduating from Darrow School, King attended the University of Maine, where he studied English literature and worked on the campus newspaper. He then went on to earn a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Maine in 1969.

King's first novel was published in 1974, under the pseudonym Richard Bachman, King has written over 60 books, including "The Shining," "Firestarter," "Pet Sematary," "The Stand," and "The Tommyknockers." The pseudonym "Richard Bachman" was used by King in the 1970s and 1980s, and King was later vocal about the use of the pseudonym and the problems it caused.

King's books have been translated into over 36 languages, and he has written over 60 books, including "The Shining," "Firestarter," "The Stand," and "The Tommyknockers." His works have been adapted into over 40 films and television series, including "The Shawshank Redemption," "The Green Mile," and "Misery." His books have sold over 350 million copies worldwide, making him one of the best-selling authors of all time.

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