

Dewey Decimal Classification

000 Generalities

- 010 Bibliography
- 020 Library & Information Science
- 030 Genral Encyclopedic Works
- 040 [unassigned]
- 050 General Serials & Their Indexes
- 060 General Organizations & Museology
- 070 News Media, Journalism, Publishing
- 080 General Collections
- 090 Manuscripts & Rare Books

100 Philosophy & Psychology

- 110 Metaphysics
- 120 Epistemology, Causation, Humankind
- 130 Paranormal Phenomena
- 140 Specific Philosophical Schools
- 150 Psychology
- 160 Logic
- 170 Ethics (Moral Philosophy)
- 180 Ancient, Medieval, Oriental Philosophy
- 190 Modern Western Philosophy

200 Religion

- 210 Natural Theology
- 220 Bible
- 230 Christian Theology
- 240 Christian Moral & Devotional Theology
- 250 Christian Orders & Local Church
- 260 Christian Social Theology
- 270 Christian Church History
- 280 Christian Denominations & Sects
- 290 Other & Comparative Religions

300 Social Sciences

- 310 General Statistics
- 320 Political Sciences

- 330 Economics
- 340 Law
- 350 Public Administration
- 360 Social Services; Association
- 370 Education
- 380 Commerce, Communication, Transport
- 390 Customs, Etiquette, Folklore

400 Language

- 410 Linguistics
- 420 English & Old English
- 430 Germanic Languages; German
- 440 Romance Languages; French
- 450 Italian, Romanian, Rhaeto-Romanic
- 460 Spanish & Portuguese Languages
- 470 Italic Languages; Latin
- 480 Hellenic Languages; Classic Greek
- 490 Other Languages

500 Natural Sciences & Mathematics

- 510 Mathematics
- 520 Astronomy
- 530 Physics
- 540 Chemistry & Allied Sciences
- 550 Earth Sciences
- 560 Paleontology; Paleozoology
- 570 Life Sciences
- 580 Botanic Sciences
- 590 Zoological Sciences

600 Technology (Applied Sciences)

- 610 Medical Sciences; Medicine
- 620 Engineering & Allied Operations
- 630 Agriculture
- 640 Home Economics & Family Living
- 650 Management & Auxiliary Services
- 660 Chemical Engineering
- 670 Manufacturing
- 680 Manufacture for Specific Uses
- 690 Buildings

700 The Arts

- 710 Civic & Landscape Art
- 720 Architecture
- 730 Plastic Arts; Sculpture
- 740 Drawing & Decorative Arts
- 750 Painting & Paintings
- 760 Graphic Arts; Printmaking & Prints
- 770 Photography & Photographs
- 780 Music
- 790 Recreational & Performing Arts

800 Literature & Rhetoric

- 810 American Literature in English
- 820 English & Old English Literatures
- 830 Literatures of Germanic Languages
- 840 Literatures of Romance Languages

- 850 Italian, Romanian, Rhaeto-Romanic
- 860 Spanish & Portuguese Literatures
- 870 Italic Literatures; Latin
- 880 Hellenic Literatures; Classical Greek
- 890 Literatures of Other Languages

900 Geography & History

- 910 Geography & Travel
- 920 Biography, Genealogy, Insignia
- 930 History of the Ancient World
- 940 General History of Europe
- 950 General History of Asia; Far East
- 960 General History of Africa
- 970 General History of North America
- 980 General History of South America
- 990 General History of Other Areas



Class numbers above can be subdivided further. For Example:

970 General History of North America

973 is for the United States

973.2 Colonial Period 1607-1775

973.7 Civil War Period 1861-1865

973.71 Political and Economic History of the Civil War Period

973.73 Military Operations of the Civil War Period

973.7349 Battle of Gettysburg (during the Civil War)

973.9 20th Century History of the U.S. (1901–)

973.92 Late 20th Century History of the U.S. (1953–)

The example above illustrates how the addition of each decimal number to the whole number makes the classification more precise. Notice how 973.7 is used for works about the U.S. Civil War in general, while 973.7349 is a classification for a specific battle of this war. This example shows the hierarchical structure of the Dewey Decimal Classification.