

# Libraries

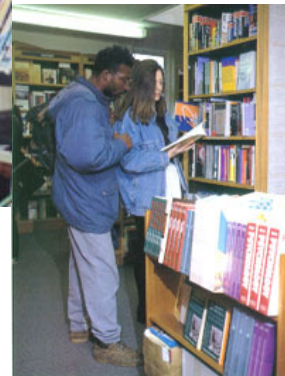
## Pre-reading

### Questions:

- What do you know about libraries?
- What kinds of materials have you seen at the library?

### Definitions:

- Pamphlet – a thin book that has a paper cover, written to give information about some topic
- Organize – to set in order, arrange



## Reading

17 Many people in the United States place a high value on reading. Libraries have a large amount  
35 of reading materials. Libraries are free. It doesn't cost anything to have a library card or to check  
out books.

37 Libraries have more than just books. Libraries have magazines, newspapers, maps, pamphlets,  
49 audiotapes, videotapes, records, CDs, and computers. The Marshall Lyon County Library has  
61 newspapers in Spanish and English. It also has some **bilingual** books that are written in both  
77 Spanish and English, and Somali and English.

84 If you need help finding anything at the library, ask one of the librarians. The librarians work  
101 at the library and help people find what they need. They can help you get a library card. They can  
121 help you find books, movies, and much more!

129 Libraries often organize community activities. The Marshall Lyon County Library plans  
140 special presentations by speakers. It hosts cookie baking and cake decorating contests. The  
153 Marshall County Library also has book discussion groups and internet classes.

164 Many libraries have a children's department or room. Libraries often have story hours for  
178 children. During story hour, children listen to books read to them out loud. The Marshall Lyon  
194 County Library has story hour for children ages 2 to 5. Call or stop by the Library to find out more  
215 information. The phone number of the Marshall Lyon County Library is 537-7003.

227 There is also a library at Marshall Adult Basic Education (ABE). It has great books for all  
244 levels of reading! Check out some books for yourself and your family. It's very important to read  
261 with your children every day. Research proves that young children who are read to daily do better  
278 in school. If you want your children to do well in school, read with them! Ask your teacher for  
297 more information about the ABE library.

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