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#### MEMORANDUM

- TO: Member Library Directors; Heads of Reference
- FROM: Ellen Nasto, Technology & Electronic Resources Supervisor
- DATE: June 17, 2020

#### RE: 2020 BookBrowse Coordinated Order

Dear Colleagues:

It's time to renew our subscriptions for BookBrowse (term: 8/1/2020-7/31/2021).

Pricing has remained flat this year (current subscribers please see below for your price). New subscribers are welcome! Please see the attached pricing sheets for more information. Vendor demos can be scheduled upon request.

Renewals/Cancellations/Requests for pricing information should be submitted via the Gateway at https://portal.suffolklibrarysystem.org/node/26262 by Wednesday, July 1, 2020.

Thank you for your time and attention to this order! Please let me know if you have any further questions!

--Ellen

Library	Access Level	Price
Bayport-Blue Point Public Library	Remote + In-Library	\$400.00
Harborfields Public Library	Remote + In-Library	\$400.00
Hauppauge Public Library	Remote + In-Library	\$400.00
Huntington Public Library	Remote + In-Library	\$560.00
Longwood Public Library	Remote + In-Library	\$880.00
Mattituck-Laurel Library	Remote + In-Library	\$240.00
North Shore Public Library	remote + In-Library	\$560.00
Shelter Island Public Library	Remote + In-Library	\$160.00
South Country Library	Remote + In-Library	\$560.00
South Huntington Public Library	Remote + In-Library	\$560.00

#### New Features from BookBrowse June 2020

- We just kicked off our <u>Culture Corner</u> a place where patrons can go to discover cultural and artistic experiences from home during the pandemic (e.g. online concerts, theater and art).
- We featured two articles entitled "<u>Book Clubs Without Books</u>" (looks at ways to keep book groups discussing when libraries are closed) and "<u>Book Club Ideas in the Time of Social</u> <u>Distancing</u>" which, among other things, gives great advice on ways to bring book clubs online.
- We also created a way for patrons to <u>search our "Beyond the Book" articles</u> (bite-sized articles that provide historical, cultural, and contextual information on our featured books) by subject.



# BookBrowse Pricing for Suffolk Cooperative Library System

Annual Subscription Rates for Remote & In-Library Access Includes unlimited on-site and remote access for both librarians and patrons

Size of Legal Population	Annual Rate	SCLS 20% discount (10 library minimum)*
$\begin{array}{rrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrr$	\$200 \$300 \$500 \$700 \$1100 \$1450	\$160 \$240 \$400 \$560 \$880 \$1160

#### Annual Subscription Rates for In-Library Access Includes unlimited on-site access for all patrons & librarians

Size of Legal Population	Annual Rate	SCLS 20% discount (10 library minimum)*
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 $^{*}$ Special Suffolk Cooperative Library System discount available with a minimum of 10 subscribing libraries. Plus, a one-time setup fee of \$50 per library building/branch

This rate is guaranteed until end 2019 and, once subscribed, BookBrowse guarantees no rate increase for three years.

#### Notes

- A subscription for Remote & In-Library Access provides unlimited simultaneous remote patron access (RPA) verified by the library or by BookBrowse (BookBrowse's authentication is based on recognizing consistent parameters of the library cards - e.g. 14 digits starting 1234). IP numbers can also be recognized so that those accessing from within the library have immediate access without logging in.
- A subscription for *In-Library Access* provides unlimited access for all patrons and librarians within the library by recognizing the • library's IP numbers. A complimentary login and password is available for librarians wishing to access BookBrowse remotely.
- For the purposes of subscription pricing, a "library" is defined as a single library or a group of libraries which share a centralized • OPAC, website and billing point (for example, branches of a main library). BookBrowse reports usage stats by library, not by branch.
- Subscription pricing is based on population, unless the percentage of cardholders exceeds 75% of population, in which case BookBrowse reserves the right to quote remote + in-library subscriptions based on cardholders.
- Prices listed are in US Dollars and are estimates for budgetary purposes only. Prices subject to change without notice. •

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# What is BookBrowse?

BookBrowse is an affordable readers' advisory solution for public libraries, specializing in selective book recommendations and providing in-depth coverage of, and enriching resources about, the very best books.

## **Editorial Focus**

Because people don't have the time to read *about* every book, let alone read all of them, BookBrowse seeks out and recommends only the best in contemporary fiction and nonfiction. We feature highquality, well-written books across a range of genres, mainly for adults, with some outstanding YA—books that not only engage and entertain but also deepen our understanding of ourselves and the world around us.

## Who will enjoy BookBrowse?

Our editorial focus and extensive reading group resources make BookBrowse perfect for book club members; readers looking for an enriching reading experience; and busy librarians responsible for collection development, readers' advisory and book club organization.

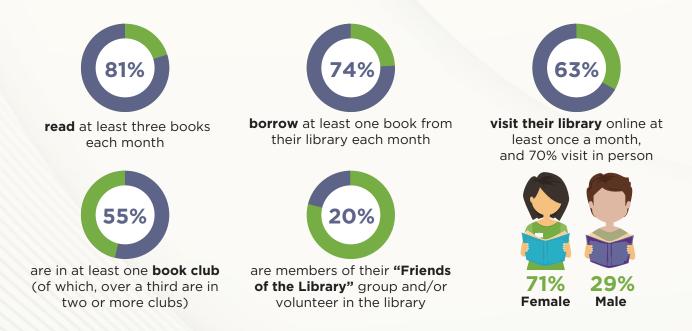
# **BookBrowse:** A Curated Readers' Advisory Solution for Public Libraries



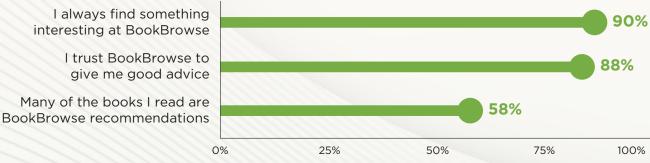
# Who Visits BookBrowse?

Over half a million book-lovers visit BookBrowse each month, but only those who are individual members (paying an annual subscription), or patrons of a subscribing library, have access to our premium content.

Many of your patrons will already be familiar with BookBrowse because our visitors are frequent and dedicated library users:



#### **BookBrowse is a trusted resource:**



Source: Google Analytics 2018, and 2016 survey of 3600 people who have visited BookBrowse more than once.

#### LIBRARIANS SAY...



"There is so much to see, read and enjoy on BookBrowse that I can't get it all in. I keep it open in my browser at all times. I just adore it!"

- EILEEN KONTROVITZ, OUACHITA PARISH PUBLIC LIBRARY (LA)



Basic Content	FREE	PREM
Fiction, nonfiction, and some YA	•	
Jacket summaries and excerpts	•	
Roundups of media and pre-pub reviews, condensed to salient opinions	•	
Author biographies, interviews and pronunciation guide	•	

# **Interactive Online Magazine**

The BookBrowse Review (publishes twice-monthly)		
Access to full magazine archives		
Opt-in email notifications when new issues publish, branded for library		

# **Readers' Advisory & Collection Development**

Search and cross-reference by genre, time period, setting and theme		
Read-alikes by title and author		
In-depth reviews		
"Beyond the book" articles		
Previews of notable books publishing soon (online & downloadable)		
Award-winners & favorites		

# **Book Clubs**

Book club recommendations by genre, time period, setting and theme	
Weekly top-10 most popular book club titles	
Reading guides (1000+, printable)	
Interviews with book clubs	
Advice on starting & running a book club	

# Community

On-line book discussions		
Reader reviews	•	
Book news & blog		
Giveaways and literary quizzes		

# **Library Integration**

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#### LIBRARIANS SAY...



"Of all our electronic resources, BookBrowse is the favorite of our patrons, and our stats show it's the most used."

- GEORGIA ROBINSON, CITY OF KAWARTHA LAKES PUBLIC LIBRARY

#### THE MEDIA SAYS...



"When we saw that BookBrowse had won Gold in the Modern Library Awards, we weren't surprised. Our judges—librarians in public, academic, K-12, and special libraries—obviously agreed that BookBrowse has a significant role to play in their libraries for their own research and for their patrons."

- JENNY NEWMAN, VP, LIBRARY WORKS

# A resource patrons will enjoy, at a price librarians love!

#### **Subscription Options**

Both subscription options include BookBrowse web pages and emails branded for the library with no advertising. They also include links from each book to the relevant search result in the library's OPAC, and free printed promotional materials, web graphics, and dynamic apps. Plus, unlimited support and monthly usage stats.

#### **In-Library Subscription:**

Provides unlimited seamless access to BookBrowse within library buildings via IP recognition. Login and password access for librarians working remotely.

#### **Remote & In-Library Subscription:**

Provides unlimited, simultaneous RPA and in-library access. Libraries can authenticate remote users themselves (e.g. via EZ Proxy) or BookBrowse can authenticate based on standard parameters of the library's card numbers, e.g. 14 digits starting with 12345.



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