



What to Read Next: Online Readers' Resources

Web resources can make be great even for private, solitary activities like reading. Book reviewing sites can be a great way to find new titles, get great suggestions for what to read next, and keep your “to-read” list organized. In this session, we’ll be examining some of these sources.

Available through the library:

- **[Our Catalog](#)**: Use the Minuteman Library Network catalog to not only search for available books to read next, but also to keep organized lists of books you want to read. You can create your own lists – organized however you like – by logging into your MLN account.
- **[Novelist](#)**: Novelist is an electronic readers' advisory resource which assists fiction readers in finding new authors and titles. Users can browse over 1,200 theme-oriented book lists, 150 award lists and 1,000 fiction related web-sites. The product's database provides enhanced subject access to over 92,000 fiction titles. Updated quarterly, the Novelist database integrates information from a variety of sources.
- **[Book Seer](#)**: This website is a great resource if you want to find books similar to one you just read and love. Simply type in the title and author of a book you recently read, and this clairvoyant website pulls up a list of similar titles! Click on a new book you’re interested in, and the site will lead you to Amazon where you can read reviews and synopses.

Available on the Web:

- **Online Book Review**: Sites like NPR Books (npr.org/books), the New York Times Book Review (nytimes.com/pages/books) of Amazon’s book review site (<http://www.omnivorous.com/>) make finding book reviewing sources much more accessible than in times gone by.
- **Book Blogs**: Book blogs are becoming a huge part of the reviewing and media process for publishers. Finding a good book blog that speaks to you and the type of books you read can be great. It is often nice to see book blogs that are upfront about where they are getting their titles from. For a few examples, check out:
 - <http://bookchatter.net/>

- <http://bookriot.com/> (also a podcast)
 - <http://www.themillions.com/>
 - <http://www.quillandquire.com/quillblog/>
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- **[GoodReads](#)** and **[LibraryThing](#)**: Both of these sites are designed to help users track books they are reading, have read, or own, and connect them to other readers. As social networking sites for readers, you can find review and link to new people. Publishers are often trying to connect to readers via these sites, and you can often find giveaways.