Book Donation Policy

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If you are considering donating books, please follow these guidelines:

- Books and media must be not more than 20 years old.
- Books and media must be in good condition: firm bindings with no highlighting or underlining, no torn covers or pages, no yellowing or mildew odors or marks, no scratched media or broken cases.
- Books and media must be relevant to the Andover Newton community and the mission of the library.
- No more than 50 items will be accepted at any one time.

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