

Myth #1 All librarians and libraries are the same

There is more than one kind of librarian: Children's librarian, Teen Librarian, Research Librarians (Subject Specialists), Catalogers etc.

Each of these folks might engage with one or more of these facets of librarianship: research, collection maintenance, programming (events), instruction, web development, community outreach and more.

Libraries and librarians are found in all sorts of organizations beside your school or local public library including: corporations, hospitals, news organizations, and more!

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Myth #2 Libraries are stuck in the past

Libraries hold more than books on their shelves. Some have tools, 3d printers, music and film production equipment, Wi-Fi hotspots etc.

[Robo Librarian Tracks Down Misplaced Books | Popular Science](#)
[Melrose Center at the Orlando Public Library](#)

Myth #3 We don't need Libraries any more

Many communities rely on libraries to connect to the internet or access to other services. For some, the library is a safe space they can use each day. Organizations and governments often partner with libraries so they can provide education and services to many underserved neighborhoods.

[The Room of Requirement | This American Life](#)
[2020 Census | ALA.org](#)
[Money Smart Week](#)

Myth #4 You have to be onsite to use the Library

Most libraries provide online access to many resources besides research databases. This includes streaming media, music, and health and wellness resources. Librarians will come to you too!

[Access Library Services From Home | bpl.org](#)
[Bibliocycle | bpl.org](#)
[Online Resources | bpl.org](#)
[Mayor Walsh, Boston Public Library Launch New Initiatives to Bridge the Digital Divide | bpl.org](#)