

Concord Library Book Sale June 5, 2010: Volunteer FAQs



Welcome! Thank you for volunteering to support the Concord Free Public Library! Please drink water, wear sunscreen, take a break when you need one, and have fun! Here are answers to common questions. Any questions or concerns, please look for a book sale manager (Ken, Edi, Sherry).

What are the sale hours? 10 a.m.–3 p.m.

What are the prices? Mass market paperbacks 4/\$1, large paperbacks \$1, hardcover books \$2, children's hardcover \$1. "Specials" and local interest priced as marked.

What's the difference between a mass market and a trade and paperback? A mass market paperback is what is typically sold at the airport. Typical cover size is 4-1/4" x 7-1/4". A trade paperback is of higher quality. If you are not sure, the book is probably a trade paperback.

Do you reduce prices? We do not reduce prices. This is a popular sale, and the books are carefully culled so they are in good condition. All proceeds of the sale benefit the library.

Will you sell discounted bags of books? No.

Do you offer discounts for large purchases? No. Expedited checkout is available for large purchasers. Dealers should look for one of the book sale managers (Edi, Ken, or Sherry).

Do you take credit cards? No. Cash or checks only. Make checks payable to FCFPL.

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Why are people covering books with blankets and rugs? Dealers who purchase in large quantities do this to organize their purchases. Look for a book sale manager if you are concerned about a dealer's behavior.

May volunteers purchase books? In the course of their duties, volunteers may set aside books. Volunteers must pay for their purchases.

Where are the art books? Children's? Travel? Biography? History? Books are organized in more than 20 categories. (**Map and key on reverse.**)

Where are the DVDs? In "Media" which is near "Music." Children's DVDs also are in "Media."

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Where are the rest rooms? Entering from Sudbury Road, turn left, pass the stairwell and rest rooms are on the left. Entering from Main Street, go straight through the lobby past the circulation desk, turn left, then turn right down the hall.

What happens to the books you do not sell? Any books remaining at the end of the sale will be donated to Reading Tree, a nonprofit organization that distributes books to promote literacy around the globe (www.readingtree.org).

How do you use the money you raise? In 2009-10, book sales—all powered by Concordians' donations of books—helped the Friends fund the purchase of adult and children's CDs and DVDs; 17 museum passes; and about two dozen concerts, poetry readings, and author talks.

When is the next sale? Friday, Saturday, Sunday, December 3, 4, 5, 2010. Saturday, June 4, 2011.

I would like to volunteer next year. Thank you! Email friends@concordlibrary.org to get on the volunteer list.

I have a comment/suggestion. Email friends@concordlibrary.org. A volunteer will reply.