BANGOR READING LISTS – Talis Aspire

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Building your list

Once you have created the structure of your list, you will need to add items.
Where possible, please make use of existing library stock. However, if a more recent edition has been published, then it would be appropriate to request purchase.
With regard to digital books, the library will purchase in accordance with the Reading List Policy.

Adding items – using Quick Add

If you have already set up your list structure – you can use ‘Add Resource’ (this option appears as you scroll down the list structure.

- Click on ‘Add resource’ and then search for the book you want to add. If you have previously bookmarked the item, it will appear (under bookmarks). If the item isn’t in your bookmarks, the system automatically runs a search for the title.
- Click on the book titles in the results to see the format and check availability in the library.
- Click on the white cross in the red circle, to add the specific item to your list.
- Set the ‘priority’ (to indicate whether the item is core or recommended).
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Adding Items – using bookmarking tool

- Use the Library Search to see if the item is already in stock.
- Click on the TITLE of the item, to open the individual record.
- Take your cursor up to your browser toolbar and CLICK on your bookmark tool ‘Add to my bookmarks’.
- A new window (or tab) will open. This screen will show you the item details. (Check there is an isbn)
- Near the bottom left of the screen you will see two options ‘Create’ and ‘Create and add to list’.
- We recommend that you select ‘Create and add to list’.
- Select which section of the list
- Set the ‘priority’ (to indicate whether the item is core or recommended).
- Set up a note for students (eg Read chapter one/Read pages 47-53).
- Set up a note for library staff (eg 12th edition needed/short loan/digitise chapter one).
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- TIP – You may need to use reload/refresh to update the browser screen, to see your recent changes.