

**Resource
Description &
Access**



**and Realia, Kits, and Other
Funny Formats**

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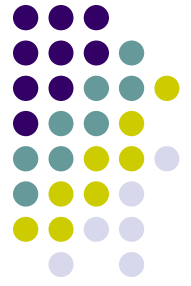
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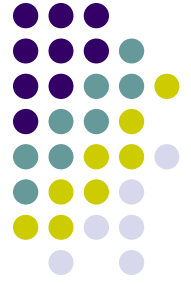
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The Honest Truth



I don't really know exactly how RDA will apply to special formats, because RDA is not yet complete. Not only that, but no MARC records mapped to RDA have been released yet.

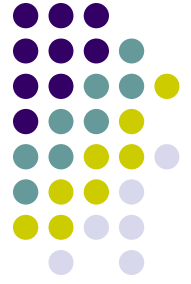
Therefore, I Give You an Educated Guess (Speculation)!



A few areas where I think there will be the most change in the way we catalog special formats:

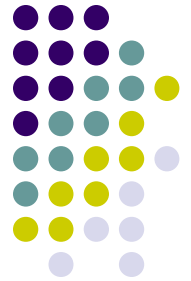
- **GMDs** (General Material Designator)
- **ISBD** (International Standard Bibliographic Description)
- **Relationships aspect of the FRBR model** (chapters 6-7)

GMDs & Content vs. Carrier



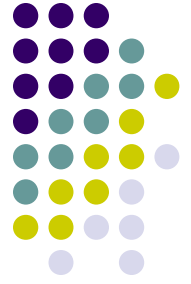
The JSC just met last week. It was on their agenda to discuss GMDs & Content vs. Carrier. On the JSC website one can find the proposal and all of the constituent responses. The outcomes of that meeting have not yet been posted. It is safe to say that the GMDs will be changing!

GMDs & Content vs. Carrier **(continued) (new, inserted slide)**



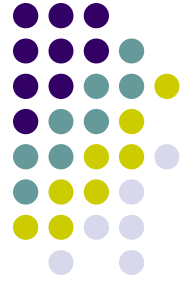
At the OLAC Conference during the keynote address, Jennifer Bowen (of the JSC) spoke to this issue. GMDs will be replaced with “Type of Content; Type of Carrier; and Media Category.” – 10/27/2006

ISBD not mandatory



This will likely have more effect on special formats than on other formats, since ISBD (What is recorded? In what order? Where? With which punctuation?) is extensively used to distinguish pieces of data. This is a tradition that has roots dating back to Panizzi (1800s).

Relationships aspect of the FRBR model (chapters 6-7)



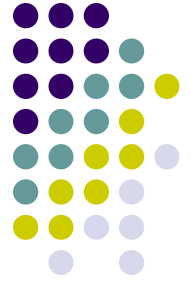
This is where the FRBR underpinnings come into play with RDA. In special formats, the relationships come in a plethora of materials.

Example: One Fish, Two Fish, Red Fish, Blue Fish / by Dr. Seuss



- Book
- Book in all languages
- Book in Braille (thermoform)
- Book with cassette or CD
- Book and cartridge (LeapPad)
- Foam bathtub book
- VHS and DVD
- Pseudonym issue

Why do we need a new standard?



- Simplify, Simplify, Simplify!

Can be used by other metadata
schema

International scope



- **Consistency**
- **Address current problems**
- **FRBR & FRAD**

**(Functional Requirements for Bibliographic Records;
Functional Requirements for Authority Data)**



Proposed Timeline

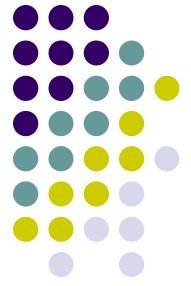
- JUL 2005: Prospectus
- OCT 2005-APR 2006: Completion of draft of Part A (resource attributes) and constituency review
- MAY-SEP 2006 Completion of draft of Part A (relationships) and constituency review
 - OCT 2006-APR 2007: Completion of Part B (access points) and constituency review
 - APR 2007-SEP 2007: Completion of General Introduction, Appendices, & Glossary
 - **2008: Publication (Roll out in August)**



How can you stay informed?

- Joint Steering Committee for Revision of AACR <http://www.collectionscanada.ca/jsc/>
- ALCTS/CCS/Committee on Cataloging: Description and Access
<http://www.ala.org/ala/alctscontent/catalogingsection/catcommittees/catalogingdescri/catalogingdescription.htm>
- RDA-L listserv
<http://www.collectionscanada.ca/jsc/rdadiscuss.html>

How can you add your 2 cents?



- Formal comments (within the U.S.) should be submitted via the web form at:
<http://www.libraries.psu.edu/tas/jca/ccda/>
- RDA-L listserv (this is a forum to discuss ideas)
<http://www.collectionscanada.ca/jsc/rdadiscuss.html>