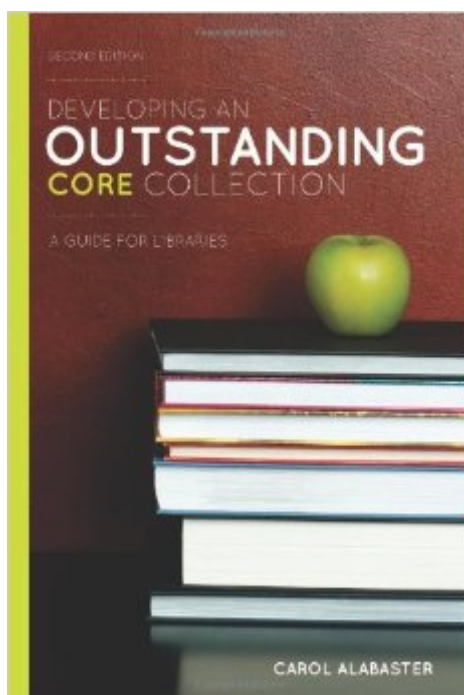# Developing An Outstanding Core Collection: A Guide For Libraries, Second Edition

Synopsis

In this practical handbook, newly updated for 2010, Carol Alabaster focuses on developing a collection with high-quality materials while saving time and money. She addresses key collection development questions, including What criteria are used to identify a core title? What is the process for making selections? How is a collection maintained and improved? How are core titles tracked in the library's acquisition and circulation systems? Packed with selection resources and sample core lists in seven subject areas, this soup-to-nuts manual will be useful whether you are starting from scratch or revitalizing an existing collection.

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