

THE WARRIOR LIBRARIAN GUIDE TO SAFE READING

Q) Are there any laws about underage reading?

A) No, not even in those states with funny ages for getting married or driving cars or buying guns.

Q) My school librarian says that I should only read the books with the yellow stickers, because I'm only 8 years old and won't understand the big words in the red sticker books. Do you think this is fair?

A) Gee - what happens if you want to use a dictionary?

Q) If I read to myself, will I go blind?

A) No. Unless you do it in a really badly lit area.

Q) In our town, we have a place where people pay for books. Is this moral?

A) In this case, you have to follow your conscience. Some people are too embarrassed to use libraries for free.

Q) Should I only use books that are covered?

A) Unless you know where the book has been before you got it, it's a good idea to use a cover for hygiene. Although some people do read books in the rest room, even with a cover.

Q) My boyfriend and I are both 16, and often read together. Will I get pregnant?

A) Not from just reading books. No.

Q) I read a lot professionally, but also enjoy recreational reading. Will my work interfere with my pleasure?

A) Well, not as far as the reading bit goes. But I've always found that you'll have a lot less hours in the day to read because your employer will expect you to do some actual work during work hours. What a bummer!

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