

THE BORROWING HABITS OF THE NATION



A Decade of Data 1999-2009

UK's Most Borrowed Author of the Decade

Jacqueline Wilson

UK's Most Borrowed Children's Author of the Decade (apart from Wilson)

RL Stine

"The Multi-Millionaires"

Seven authors clocked up over 10 million loans between 1999-2009:

1. Jacqueline Wilson
2. Danielle Steel
3. Catherine Cookson
4. Josephine Cox
5. James Patterson
6. RL Stine
7. Mick Inkpen

UK's Most Borrowed Book of the Decade

The Story of Tracy Beaker by Jacqueline Wilson

UK's Most Borrowed Adult Fiction Book of the Decade

The Thursday Friend by Catherine Cookson

UK's Most Borrowed Children's Fiction Book of the Decade

The Story of Tracy Beaker by Jacqueline Wilson

UK's Most Borrowed Pre 20th Century Author of the Decade

Charles Dickens

UK's Most Borrowed Cookery Book of the Decade

How to Cook, Book 1 by Delia Smith

UK's Most Borrowed Sports Biography of the Decade

White Cap and Balls: Adventures of a Much Travelled Umpire by Dickie Bird with Keith Lodge

UK's Most Borrowed Biography of the Decade

A Child called It by Dave Pelzer

UK's Most Borrowed Travel Book of the Decade

Down Under by Bill Bryson

UK's Most Borrowed Holiday Guide of the Decade

The Rough Guide to Spain by Mark Ellingham et al

UK's Most Borrowed Gardening Book of the Decade*How to be a Gardener: Book 2: Secrets of Success* by Alan Titchmarsh**UK's Most Borrowed Poetry Book of the Decade***The Ode Less Travelled: Unlocking the Poet Within* by Stephen Fry**UK's Most Borrowed Popular Science Book of the Decade***A Short History of Nearly Everything* by Bill Bryson**UK's Most Borrowed History Book of the Decade***Berlin: the Downfall, 1945* by Antony Beevor**UK's Most Borrowed "Green" Book of the Decade***A Closer Look at the Greenhouse Effect* by Alex Edmonds**The Authors With Staying Power**

The following authors have featured in their respective category Top 10s every year from 1999-2009:

Danielle Steel	(UK's Most Borrowed Authors)
Bill Bryson	(UK's Most Borrowed Non-Fiction Titles)
Jacqueline Wilson	(UK's Most Borrowed Children's Authors)
Enid Blyton	(UK's Most Borrowed Children's Authors)
Mick Inkpen	(UK's Most Borrowed Children's Authors)
Janet & Allan Ahlberg	(UK's Most Borrowed Children's Authors)
JK Rowling	(UK's Most Borrowed Children's Fiction Titles)
Jacqueline Wilson	(UK's Most Borrowed Children's Fiction Titles)

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