

REPORT ON
THE SEARS LIST OF SUBJECT HEADINGS
TO THE ALCTS CaMMS-
SUBJECT ANALYSIS COMMITTEE

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Sears List on EBSCOhost

The Sears List of Subject Headings continues to be updated under the guidance of the List's Editor, Barbara Bristow, and a team of librarians at EBSCO Information Services. All additions and revisions will be updated in the Sears EBSCOhost database by the end of the year and are available to our electronic users as MARC authority files. All headings are RDA compliant. The following are among new headings proposed:

Asexual people	High interest-low vocabulary books
Bisexual people	Illegal aliens
Bisexuals	Olympics, special
Drag culture	Mass shootings
Drag kings	Transvestites
Drag queens	Women's studies
Gender studies	
Gun violence	

Please note that some new terms are created as, or updated to, non-preferred terms. For example, "Transvestites" points users to "Cross-dressers" as the preferred term. "Illegal aliens" was updated to a non-preferred term pointing to "Unauthorized immigrants," likewise with "Aliens (Foreign population)" pointing to the preferred term "Noncitizens," and so on.

In addition to the above, the following extant terms are to receive edits, which could include promotion to preferred term, demotion to non-preferred term, addition of a scope note, correction of a typo, etc.

Aliens (Foreign population)	Jason (Legendary character)
Armed forces	Justice League (Fictional characters)
Anansi (Legendary character)	Kashrut
Argonauts (Legendary characters)	Lancelot (Legendary character)
Bunyan, Paul (Legendary character)	LGBT people
Cassandra (Legendary character)	Merlin (Legendary character)
Cross-dressers	Morgan Le Fay (Legendary character)
Cuchulain (Legendary character)	Noncitizens
Gender identity	Noncitizens—United States
Gender role	Oedipus (Legendary character)
Hi-Lo books	Québec (Province)—History—Autonomy and independence movements
Intersex people	Québec (Province)—Separatist movement
	Roland (Legendary character)
	Roland (Legendary character)—Romances
	Sanctuary movement

Scheherezade (Legendary
character)
School shootings
Sexual identity
Shadowpact (Fictional

character)
Transgender people
Unauthorized immigrants

Special attention this year is paid to Canadian headings and new LGBTQ+ headings, along with those related to “Gun violence,” “Mass shootings,” and “School shootings.” Additional updates are made to reflect world events and the changing face of society.

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