

How to Find a Book in the Stacks

You've found your call number, but you don't know what to do.

You've tried looking and even calling, but your call number isn't home.

How frustrating. Finding books in the stacks can be such a chore, but not anymore.

Step One. Find your call numbers. It's like the address of your book.

Step Two. Write that call number down before heading into the stacks.

Oh, no! How do you read this?

Read the first section in alphabetical order, the second as a whole number, the third alphabetically, and then as a decimal.

The year of publication is the last four numbers.

Step Three. If your book is at Mills, refer to our Book Locator handout to find your floor.

Step Four. Find your call number range and then your book.

But hold on!

There is even more!

Once you found your book, browse around the shelf and you will find books on similar topics.