

THE BORROWING HABITS OF THE NATION

UK Library Chart Toppers 2007/8

UK's Most Borrowed Author

James Patterson

UK's Most Borrowed Children's Author

Jacqueline Wilson

"The Millionaires"

Four authors clocked up over 1 million loans in 2007-2008:

1. James Patterson
2. Jacqueline Wilson
3. Daisy Meadows
4. Nora Roberts

UK's Most Borrowed Book

Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows by JK Rowling

UK'S Most Borrowed Children's Fiction Book

Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows by JK Rowling

UK's Most Borrowed Children's Fiction Book (excluding Harry Potter)

Horrid Henry and the Football Fiend by Francesca Simon

UK's Most Borrowed "Classic" Authors

1. Enid Blyton
2. Roald Dahl
3. Agatha Christie
4. Georgette Heyer
5. Beatrix Potter
6. Charles Dickens
7. Jane Austen

All the above would have earned the maximum possible PLR payment of £6600 for 2007/8, had they been alive.

UK's Most Borrowed Non-Fiction Books

1. *Semi-Detached* by Griff Rhys Jones
2. *The Life and Times of the Thunderbolt Kid* by Bill Bryson
3. *Blood River: A Journey to Africa's Broken Heart* by Tim Butcher
4. *The Sound of Laughter* by Peter Kay
5. *The God Delusion* by Peter Dawkins

UK's Most Borrowed Cookery Book

Jamie at Home by Jamie Oliver

UK's Most Borrowed Sports Biography

Gerrard: My Autobiography by Steven Gerrard

UK's Most Borrowed Biography

Semi-detached by Griff Rhys Jones

UK's Most Borrowed Travel Book

Blood River: A Journey to Africa's Broken Heart by Tim Butcher

UK's Most Borrowed Holiday Guide

France (Lonely Planet Country Guide) by Nicola Williams

UK's Most Borrowed Gardening Book

Grow Your Own Veg by Carol Klein

UK's Most Borrowed Poetry Book

The Ode Less Travelled: Unlocking The Poet Within by Stephen Fry

UK's Most Borrowed Popular Science Book

The God Delusion by Richard Dawkins

UK's Most Borrowed History Book

Bomber Boys by Patrick Bishop

UK's Most Borrowed "Green" Book

The Meaning of the 21st Century by James Martin

Chart Positions of 10 Bestselling Authors

11. Ian Rankin
22. Bernard Cornwell
29. Patricia Cornwell
38. John Grisham
40. Maeve Binchy
43. JK Rowling
47. Terry Pratchett
51. Martina Cole
76. Catherine Cookson
128. Ian McEwan

10 Bestselling Authors Who Are Not Bestsellers

20. Anna Jacobs
26. Fiona Watt
28. Rose Impey
30. Lyn Andrews
49. Lilian Harry
57. Anne Perry
60. Freda Lightfoot
61. Anne Baker
66. Debi Gliori
84. Joan Jonker

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