



THE BORROWING HABITS OF THE NATION

UK Library Chart Toppers 2015/16

Most borrowed author

James Patterson

Most borrowed children's author

Julia Donaldson

Most borrowed non-fiction author

Mary Berry

Most borrowed classic author

Roald Dahl

"The millionaires"

Five authors clocked up over 1 million loans in 2015-2016:

1. James Patterson
2. Julia Donaldson
3. Daisy Meadows
4. Roderick Hunt
5. Francesca Simon

7 authors "on the up"

Roderick Hunt	(4 th from 14 th last year)
David Walliams	(18 th from 39 th last year)
Liz Pichon	(38 th from 61 st last year)
Peter Bently	(46 th from 81 st last year)
Peter May	(61 st from 93 rd last year)
Tess Gerritsen	(79 th from 104 th last year)
Rachel Renee Russell	(82 nd from 163 rd last year)

Most borrowed titles

1. *The Girl on the Train* by Paula Hawkins
2. *Personal* by Lee Child
3. *Make Me* by Lee Child
4. *Diary of a Wimpy Kid* by Jeff Kinney
5. *Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Long Haul* by Jeff Kinney

Authors with the most appearances in the Top 100 most borrowed titles list

James Patterson (13)	Liz Pichon (5)
Jeff Kinney (10)	Lee Child (4)
David Walliams (10)	John Grisham (3)

Most borrowed non-fiction titles (adult)

1. *Guinness World Records 2015* by Guinness World Records
2. *The Road to Little Dribbling* by Bill Bryson
3. *Save with Jamie* by Jamie Oliver
4. *The Official DSA Theory Test for Car Drivers* by Driving Standards Agency
5. *Davina's 5 Weeks to Sugar-free* by Davina McCall

Most borrowed children's titles

1. *Diary of a Wimpy Kid* by Jeff Kinney
2. *Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Long Haul* by Jeff Kinney
3. *Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Cabin Fever* by Jeff Kinney
4. *Awful Auntie* by David Walliams (illus Tony Ross)
5. *Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Rodrick Rules* by Jeff Kinney

Most borrowed “classic” authors (last year’s positions in brackets)

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| 1. Roald Dahl (1) | 5. Harper Lee (18) |
| 2. Enid Blyton (2) | 6. Charles Dickens (6) |
| 3. Agatha Christie (3) | 7. Georgette Heyer (5) |
| 4. Beatrix Potter (4) | |

All the above could have earned the maximum possible PLR payment of £6,600 for 2015/16, had they been alive.

Most borrowed novels by Daphne du Maurier

1. *Rebecca*
2. *My Cousin Rachel*
3. *Jamaica Inn*
4. *Frenchman’s Creek*
5. *The House on the Strand*

Most borrowed audio titles

1. *Ratburger* by David Walliams, read by David Walliams
2. *Billionaire Boy* by David Walliams, read by David Walliams & Matt Lucas
3. *Gangsta Granny* by David Walliams, read by David Walliams
4. *Demon Dentist* by David Walliams, read by David Walliams
5. *Mr Stink* by David Walliams, read by David Walliams & Matt Lucas

Most borrowed biography

Open the Cage, Murphy! by Paul O’Grady

Most borrowed gardening book

Making a Garden: Successful Gardening by Nature’s Rules by Carol Klein

Most borrowed history book

Ardennes 1944: Hitler’s Last Gamble by Antony Beevor

Most borrowed travel writing book

The Road to Little Dribbling: More Notes from a Small Island by Bill Bryson

Most borrowed mind, body & spirit book

The Secret by Rhonda Byrne

Most borrowed cookery book

Save with Jamie: Shop Smart, Cook Clever, Waste Less by Jamie Oliver

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