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## Bookworm problems: Quiz (yes, with prizes)

Anne Bogel wrote a great little book entitled **I'd Rather Be Reading** that the Books for Lunch Bunch gave me two Christmases ago. It is one of those books we can take off the shelf and flip to any page and find ourselves in sync with.

One section is called "Bookworm Problems." She poses a number of conundrums those who love to read encounter. The Library would love to hear your take on a few of these issues. In fact, this column sets out ten possible problems. How would you deal with them? Feel free to be serious, silly, funny, wise, weird, and/or honest or all of those. Submit your responses to me with your name. You can drop them off at the library, simply numbering a sheet 1 – 10 and giving your responses; or you can email your responses to me at [rozatlibrary@gmail.com](mailto:rozatlibrary@gmail.com). You need to include your name because the library is offering a free DVD rental to anyone who submits answers. (Who says there's no prize for participation in life?)

Here we go with credit to Bogel for some ideas that have been re-worked a bit.

1. You're at your limit on permitted library checkouts. Yet, four books you are waitlisted for come in at the same time. You haven't read the ones you already have because you've been busy reading the ones you had before those. What do you do now?

2. You're going on a one-week vacation. You're anxious about having either not enough books or not the right book for the right mood at any given time. You are flying, not driving, so you cannot just fill up your trunk with books. Now what?

3. How late have you been willing to stay up or what work or social obligations have you thrown to the winds (temporarily) in order to finish a book that you literally couldn't stand to put down?

4. Your favorite book is being made into a movie. What are your worst fears?

5. You are partway through a book you are enjoying a great deal when you discover that this book is part of a series and is number 6 in the series. What do you do now?

6. You have an author you have loved for a long time because her books always are brilliant and speak to you. How many books that aren't up to snuff can she publish before losing you as a reader (or how long can your denial last)?

7. This one is straight from Bogel and brilliant. It has made me think. "You finally persuade your friend to read your lifetime favorite book. She gives it two and a half stars." Now what?

8. The chilling fact emerges that, best case scenario with what is scientifically known about human longevity, you realize you cannot possibly live long enough to finish even your current to-be-read list. How do you conduct triage on your list?

9. You have this nagging suspicion that the way a character's name is pronounced (or even just a word) might be one way in your head and another in reality. Can you name a time this has happened? (For me, it's the Gaelic name Siobhan. I leave you to wonder.)

10. A friend asks you to name your three favorite books, a ridiculous request but a good friend. What do you say?

Since this "quiz" has no right or wrong answers, it only stands to reason that everyone who submits responses gets a prize. What you can count on, in addition to a free DVD rental, is reading another column later that goes over what answers were given and what trends emerged.

Have fun. See you at the Library!

**Upcoming Events:** **Friday Crafts** continues beyond the holidays due to popular demand. Drop in from 10 – 12 for inspiration and support. **Books for Lunch** meets Tues. January 14 from 12:30 – 2. (It is fine if you need to come late or leave early.) Follow us on FB and check our website Calendar to keep up on events.