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E-books: What's happening now and What you need to know

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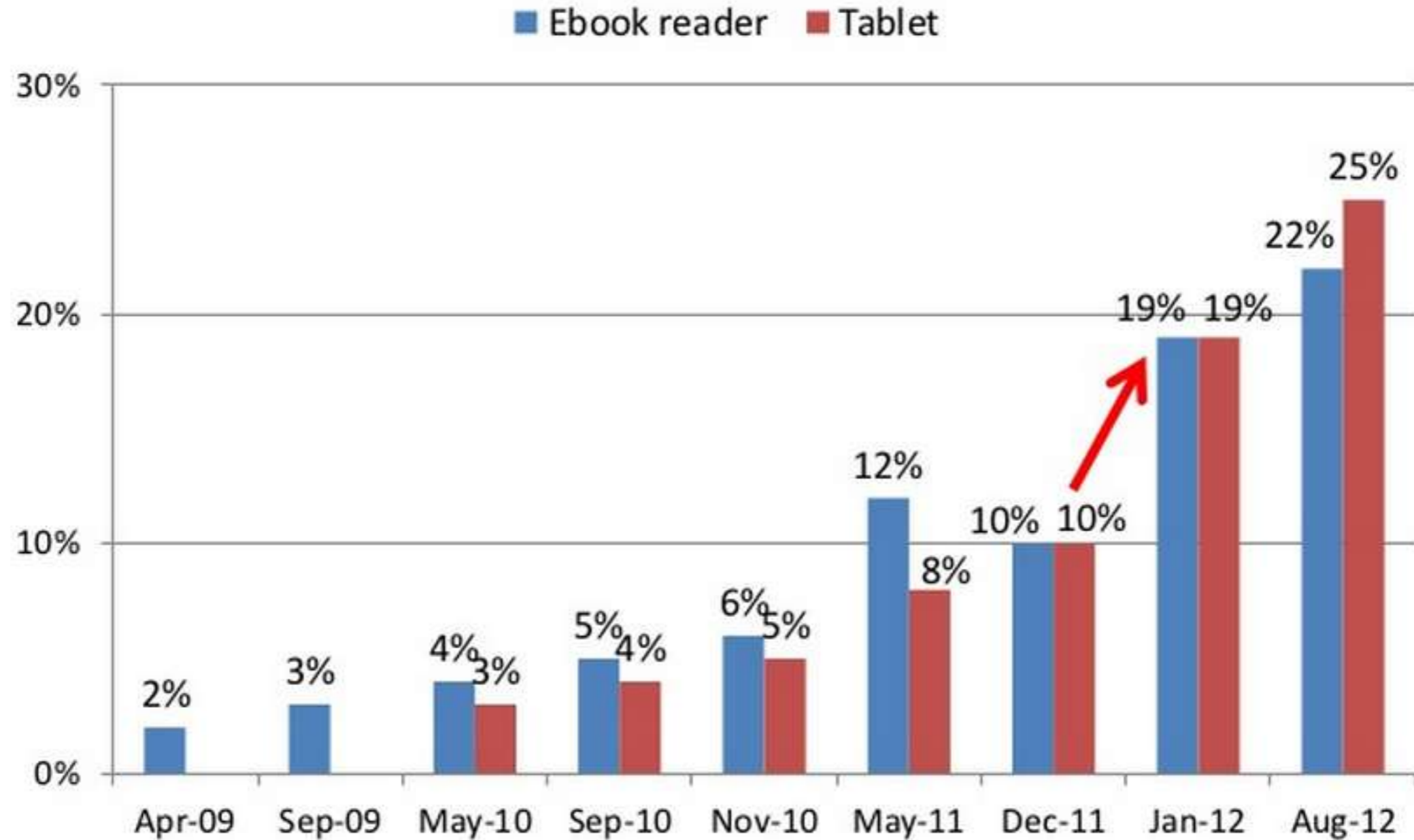
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Rise of e-reading devices

>One third of adults own at least one device



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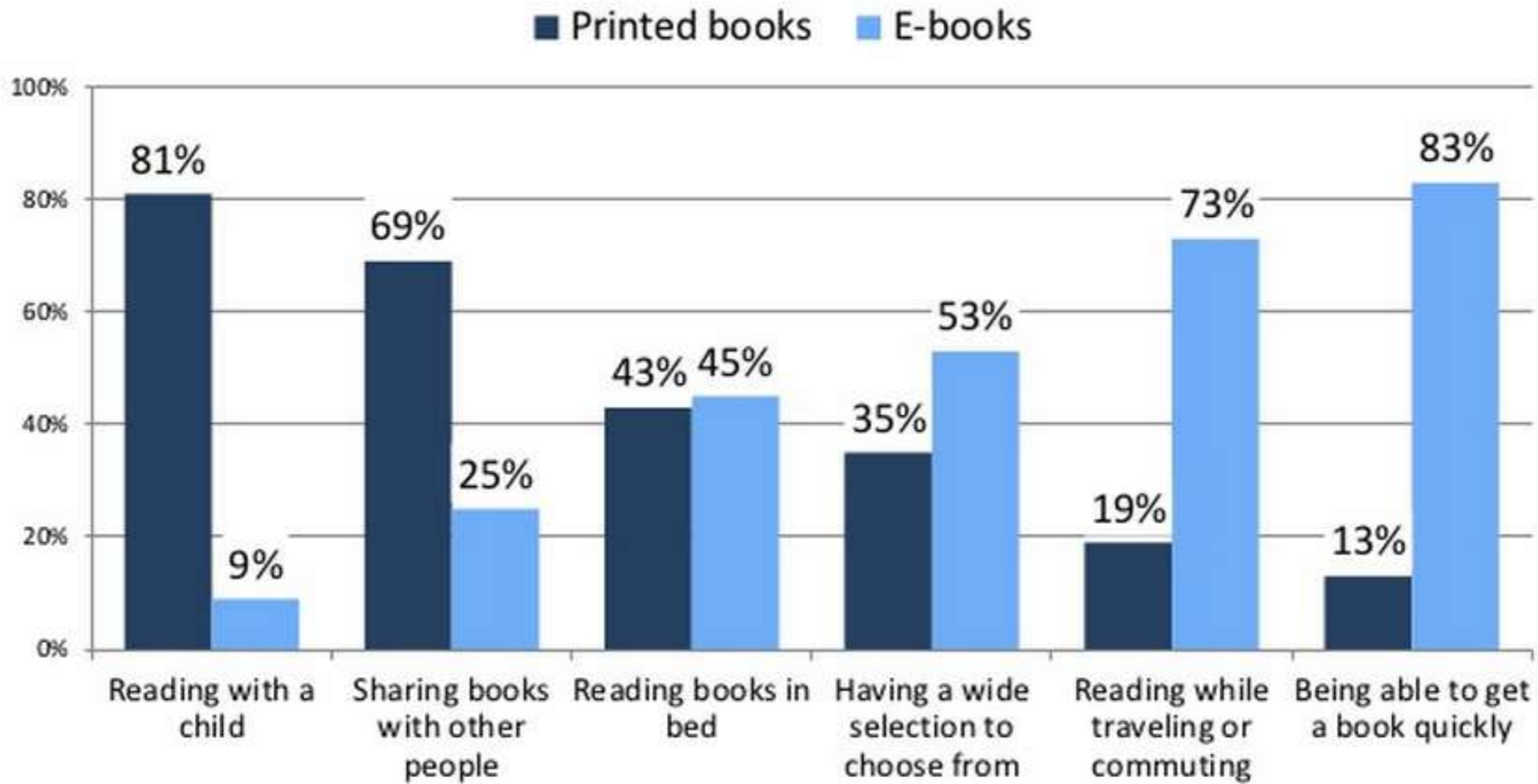


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purpose

Which is better for these purposes, a printed book or an e-book?

% of Americans 16+ who have read both e-books and print books in the last 12 months



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Survey of E-book use

1. Do you own a e-reader or tablet device?

- yes
- no
- not sure

2. Do you have more than one device capable of reading an e-book?

- yes
- no
- maybe

3. Do you have access to a desktop or laptop computer where are you at

- yes
- no
- not sure

4. Have you ever purchased an e-book?

- yes
- no

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E-book evaluation criteria



E-book evaluation

- Variety of publishers available?
- Genres of titles available? nonfiction/fiction/reference/childrens
- Readability? Format quality?
- Types of devices supported?
- Pricing model? subscription? ownership?
- MARC records available? Free or fee?
- Ability to gather statistics on use?
- Single or multi-user use?
- Note-taking or highlighting abilities? review abilities?
- Purpose for purchasing e-books?

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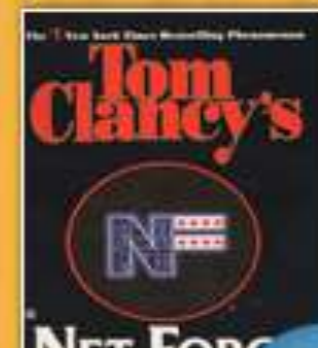
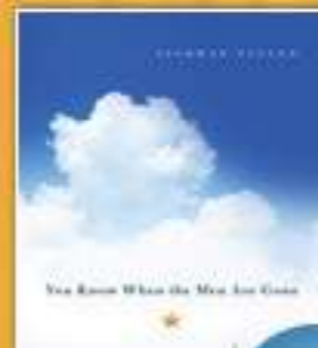
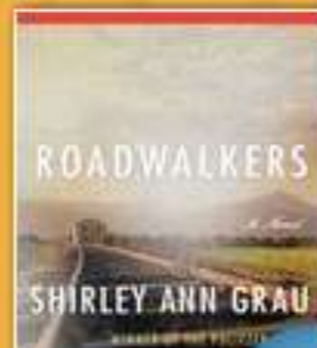
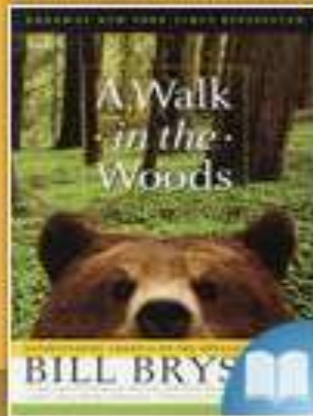


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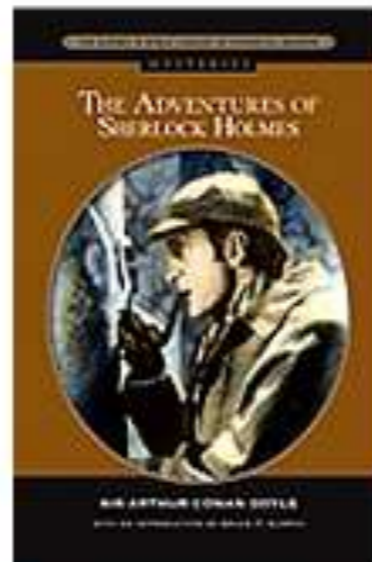
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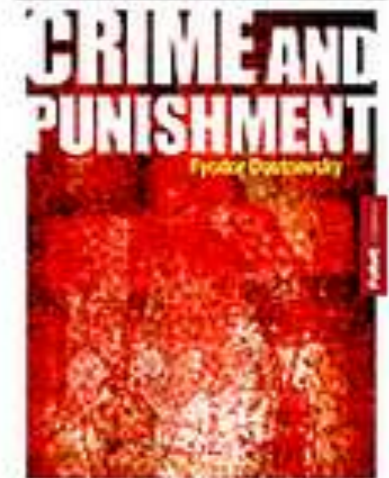
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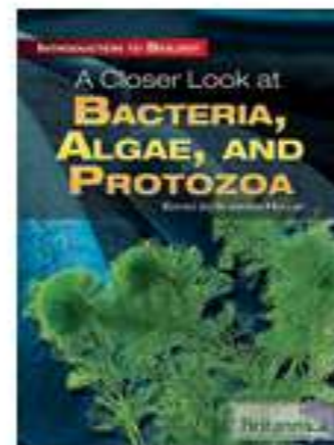


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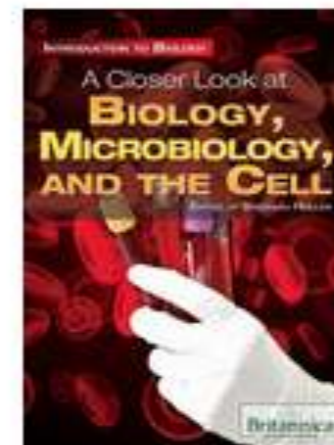


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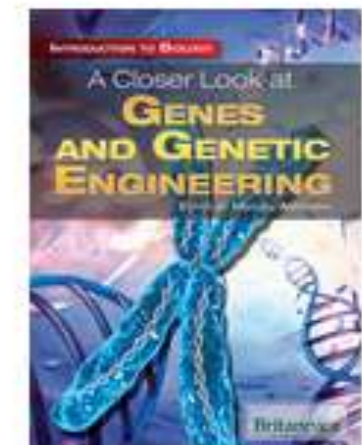
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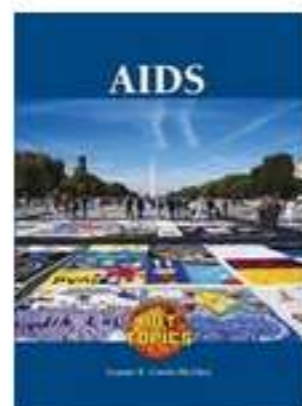


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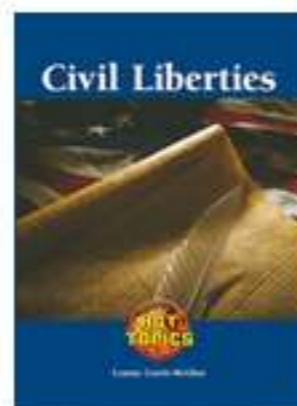
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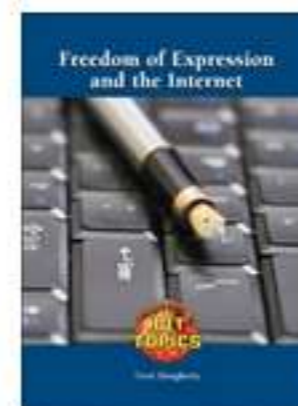
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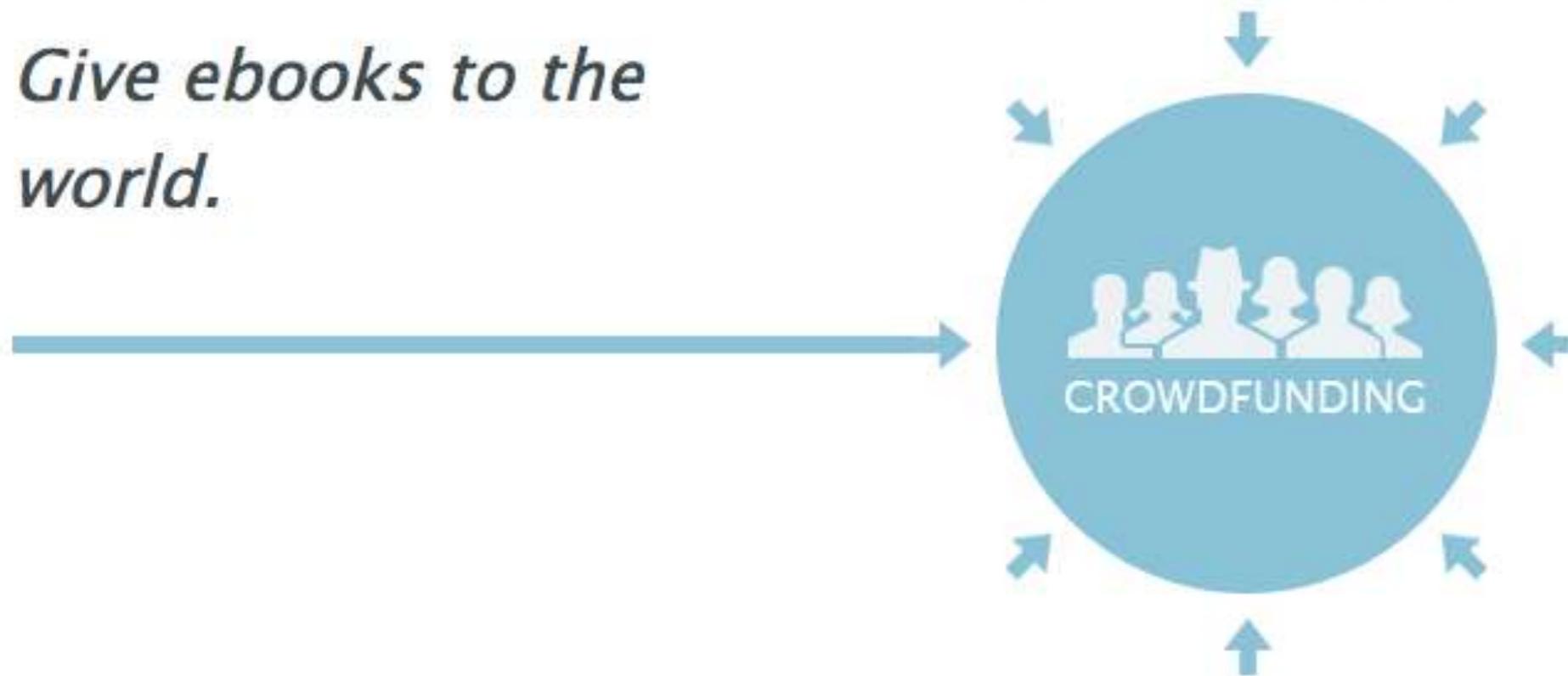
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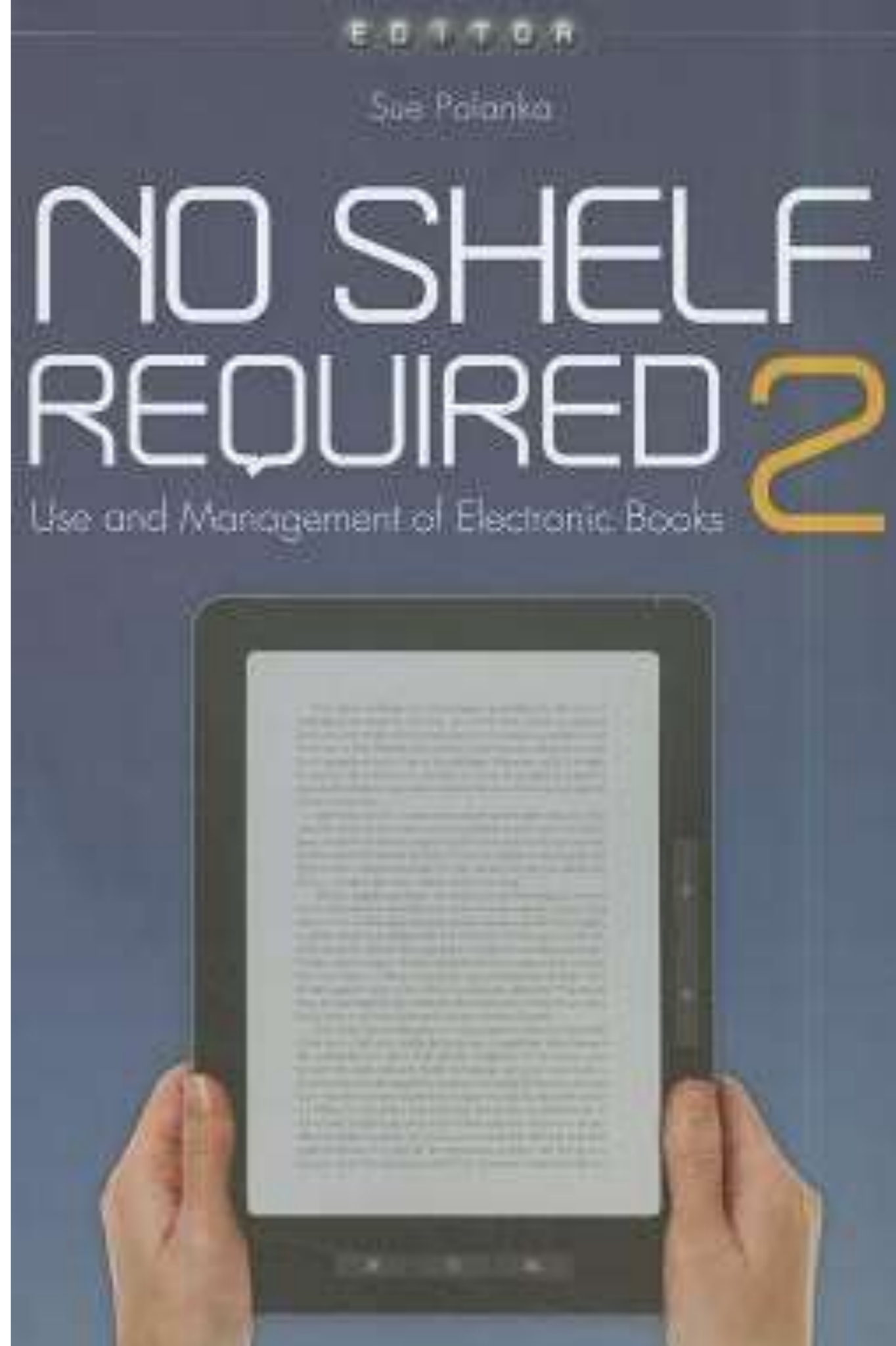
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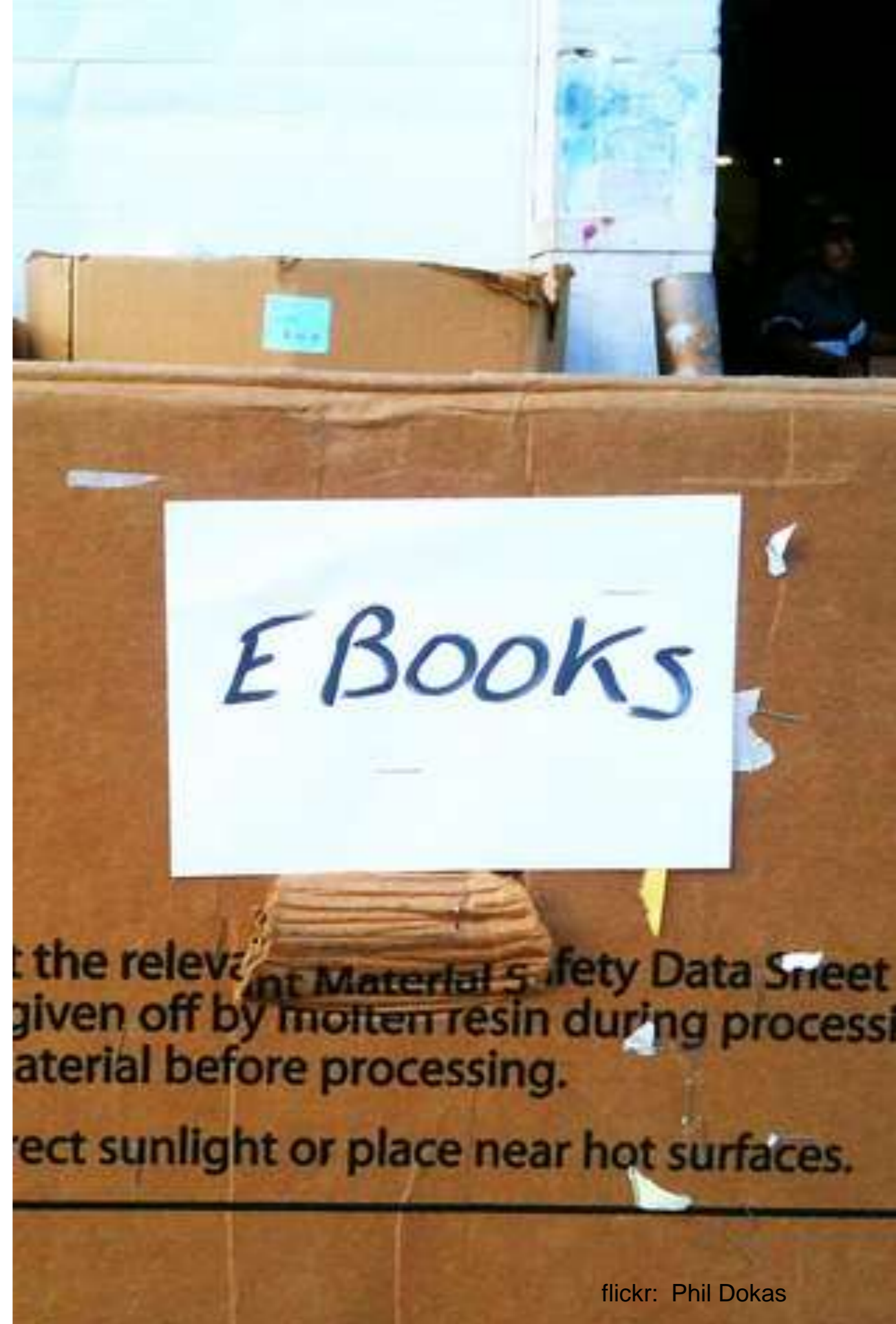
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