

Textbooks—How to find out what you need

5 Options to find out which textbooks you need:

- Go to WCC Bookstore in the Syre Building
- Visit the website bookstore.whatcom.edu
- Use the booklist in Running Start
- Find your [booklist on MyWCC](#)
- Visit the “[Class Schedule Search](#)” at Whatcom.edu

Something to notice:

Is your book required (RQ), or just recommended (RC)?

People to talk to if you need help:

- Bookstore Staff Members (they will help, even if you plan to buy the book somewhere else)
- Running Start Staff

If you like, write a list of your required textbooks here:

This list is for your own personal use only. If you need to apply for a book loan, please fill out an application ASAP. If you want books in time for the first day of class, apply at least 2 weeks before your classes begin.

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- **WCC Bookstore Purchases:** You can buy new or used books for your class at the Whatcom Community College Bookstore, located in the Syre Student Center. Books are arranged by subject and course.
- **WCC Bookstore Rentals:** Some books can be rented from the store for a lower price than purchasing.
- **Ebooks:** WCC bookstore rents ebooks [via Redshelf](#). The WCC Library has many textbooks to read free on the library website (just [search the catalog!](#)). Some ebooks are even free on the web. Look for “Open” or “OER” in the title.
- **Online Retailers:** Sites such as Chegg or Amazon may have your books for rent or sale at a lower price.
- **WCC Library Reserves:** Many current textbooks can be found on Reserve in the WCC library. You can read the book inside the library for 2 hours at a time.
- **Public Libraries:** For Literature classes, you may be able to borrow novels, plays, and epic poems from your local library.
- **[Running Start Book Loan Program:](#)** Some students may qualify to be loaned textbooks at no cost for the duration of the quarter. Supplies are limited. Awards are based on financial need and academic merit. Applications in Running Start office or [on MyWCC](#). *Priority deadline: two weeks before classes begin.*

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