## Some Library Definitions, Abbreviations, and Acronyms

(Sound like a cataloger)

AACR2 Anglo-American Cataloguing Rules, second edition (1998 rev.)

Bibliographic record (bib) An entry in a database (library catalog) which serves as a

uniform representation and description of a specific item,

containing data elements required for the item's

identification and retrieval, as well as additional supporting

information, presented in a formalized bibliographic

format.

Call number The number or letters or combination of both that you see on the spine

of the book that tells you where the book should be on the library

shelves.

Cataloging The process of listing something for inclusion in a catalog. In libraries,

the process is the production of bibliographic records (descriptions of books, videos, etc.) in a formal prescribed manner, using specific rules

(AACR2, for example)

Classification The system\* of coding, assorting and organizing library materials or

any according to their subject and allocating a call number to that

material.

Dewey or DDC \* Dewey Decimal classification system

FRBR Functional Requirements for Bibliographic Records

FRAD Functional Requirements for Authority Data

ILS Integrated Library System

LOC Library of Congress.

LCC or LC \* Library of Congress classification system

OPAC Online Public Access System

RDA Resource Description and Access