

AI SEMINAR 5 – ANSWER KEY

The World of Information

Task 1

1. library (**building or room**) vs. bookcase (**furniture**) vs. bookshop (**store**)
2. donation (**gift**) vs. purchase (**with payment**)
3. reading area (**desk area**) vs. stacks (**area where the bookshelves are in a library**)
4. (**electronic**) database vs. (**card**) catalogue
5. newspaper vs. magazine (**dif. format**) vs. periodical (**issue frequency**) vs. (**scholarly**) journal
6. publication (**of any literature**) vs. volume (**part of a series**)
7. on-site reference (**only viewed at library**) vs. available on loan (**can be taken off-site, or home**)
8. bibliography (**particular details listed at end of research**) vs. publication details (**all, e.g. ISBN**)

Task 2

1. A 2. D 3. B 4. B 5. C 6. A 7. B 8. A 9. D 10. A 11. C 12. C
13. A 14. B 15. D

Task 3

1. G 2. E 3. D 4. F 5. A 6. B

Task 4

1. visit a website, go online, surf the internet, switch on your computer, download music, key in a password, burn a CD
2. 1. switch on, 2. password, 3. go online, 4. surf, 5. visit, 6. download, 7. burn

Task 5

1. This 2. Is 3. Only 4. OK 5. OK 6. Which 7. They 8. By 9. a 10. OK
11. to 12. OK 13. One 14. About 15. such

Task 6

During the past decade, developments in THE computer industry have had an immense impact on libraries. Not long ago, most libraries maintained A card catalogue of their holdings. Each time A library added A book to its collection, someone typed A card telling THE title, author, and subject of THE book, as well as other information. These cards were then filed alphabetically in the drawers of A large cabinet. Library PATRONS who wished to find books on A particular subject searched through the drawers of THE cabinet, and librarians held classes for PATRONS teaching them how to use card



CATALOGUES. Such A system now seems extremely unsophisticated. A library's holdings are now listed in A computer database. The database includes information on not only the subject, author, and title of THE book but also its status (whether it is on THE shelves or checked out and, if checked out, its due date). In addition, libraries now have databases with information about ARTICLES found inside books and JOURNALS. Librarians continue to hold classes for PATRONS, but the classes are now about how to use COMPUTERS.

Grammar

Exercise 1

- a) If the international community **had not helped**, the library in Alexandria **would not have reopened**.
- b) If you **wish / wished** to consult microfilms or rare books, you **will have to / would have to** use special reading rooms.
- c) If it **were not** against copyright laws, I **would copy** the whole book.
- d) If you **had requested** the book a month ago, you **could have read** it by now.
- e) If the Ptolemies **lived** today, the new library **would surprise** them.
- f) I wish I **had known** this place last semester.
- g) If you **do not understand** the word, **look it up** in the dictionary. (imperative)
or If you **do not understand** the word, **you should / could look it up** in the dictionary. (advice)
- h) In recent years, the modernization of the library **would not have been** possible if the staff **had not been trained**.
- i) Egypt **would be** the right place for "an institution of dialogue, tolerance, understanding and rationality" if its religious authorities **did not keep** banning books.
- j) I have got lost. If only I **had taken** the right way to the Moravian Regional Library.

Exercise 2

1. If two atoms combine, they form a molecule.
2. If you have a difficult goal, you must work hard.
3. The government will respond if there is a military threat.
4. If the population were homogeneous, marketing would be easier.
5. If the company faced a financial crisis, the bank might lend it money.
6. I wouldn't worry if I were you.
7. The production method would be popular if it didn't consume so much energy.
8. People would get help if the public had an enlightened attitude toward alcoholism.
9. If the professor had drawn a better diagram yesterday, I would have understood the problem.
10. If the committee had assembled the necessary information earlier, they would have finished the report last week.
11. The reporter would have been granted an interview yesterday if s/he had submitted a written request.
12. The mayor wouldn't have been reelected if she had advocated increased taxes last year.
13. If the companies had accepted a government mediator, the conflict would have been solved.