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**FictionFinder: Imagining a  
Next Generation Catalog**



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## **FictionFinder**

- Research prototype
- Updated December 2006
- Provides access to books, eBooks, and audio books tagged as fiction

• 3.6 Million Records  
• 2.9 Million Records  
• 1.4 Million Works  
• 132 Million Holdings



## OCLC FRBR Workset Algorithm

- **Provides a FRBR-inspired view of the data**
  - Groups records into works
  - Facilitates aggregation of data elements from individual records
  - Enables creation of richer descriptions
  - Improves ranking & navigation

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## Controlled Vocabularies

- **Extensive use of controlled vocabularies**
  - Special indexes
  - Browse lists
  - Subject clouds
- **FAST used for topics, time periods, and places**
- **Also:**
  - Genre terms for fiction & drama (GSAFD)
  - Library of Congress Subject Headings (LCSH)
  - Bilindex
  - Répertoire de vedettes-matière (RVM)

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## OCLC Audience Level

- Library holdings data in WorldCat are used to calculate audience levels based on the types of libraries that hold the titles
- FictionFinder displays Audience Level indicators for works and editions (manifestations)



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## Other Features

- Extensively indexed
- Default ranking of results is by library holdings, can also sort by author, title, and number of editions
- Links to WorldCat.org
  - Find any edition (work level)
  - Find this edition (edition level)

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## FictionFinder Database

### Includes

- Comics & graphic novels
- Fiction
- Dramas
- Novels
- Short stories
- Books, eBooks & Audio formats

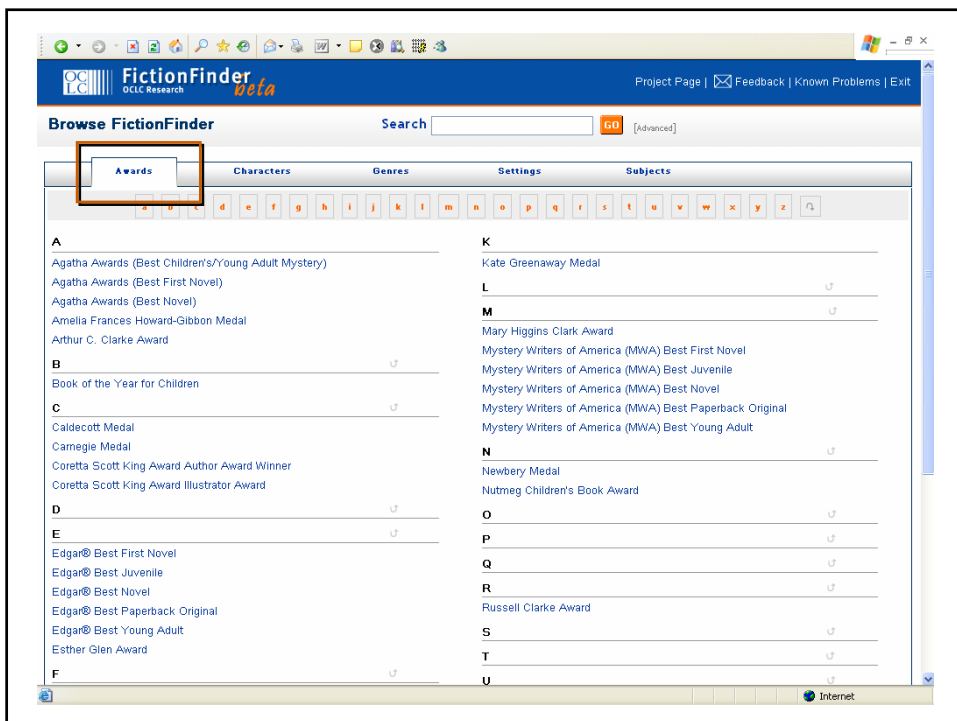
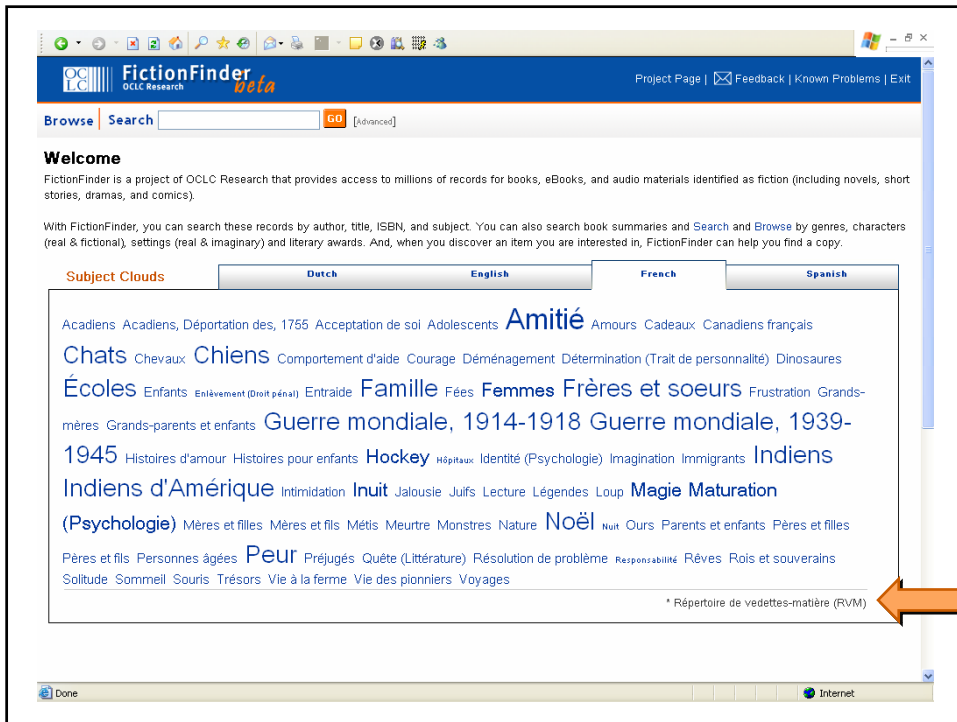
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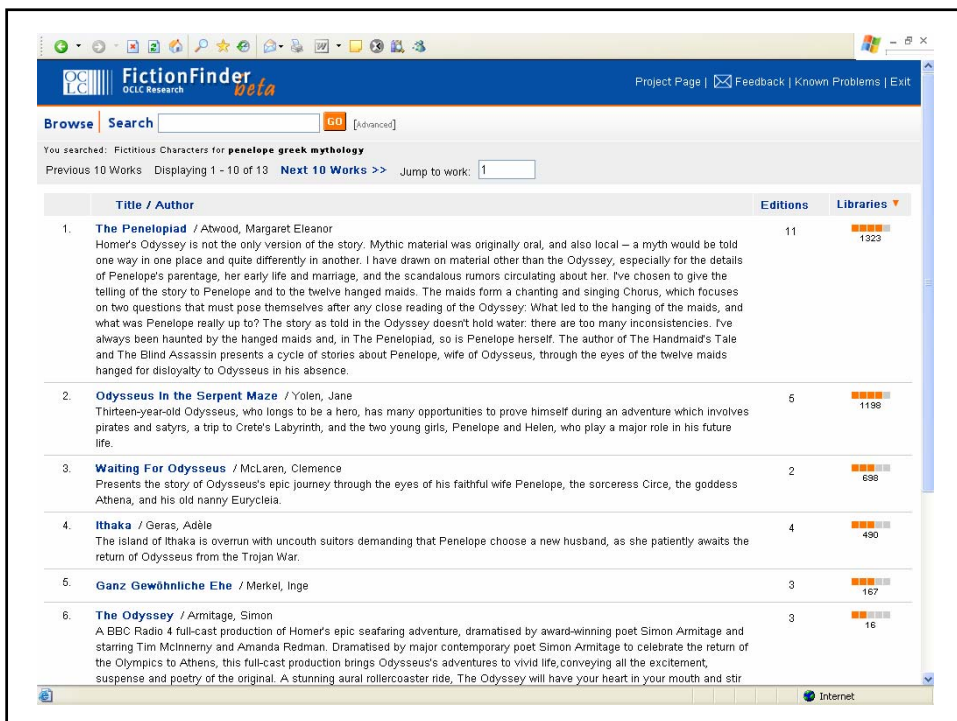
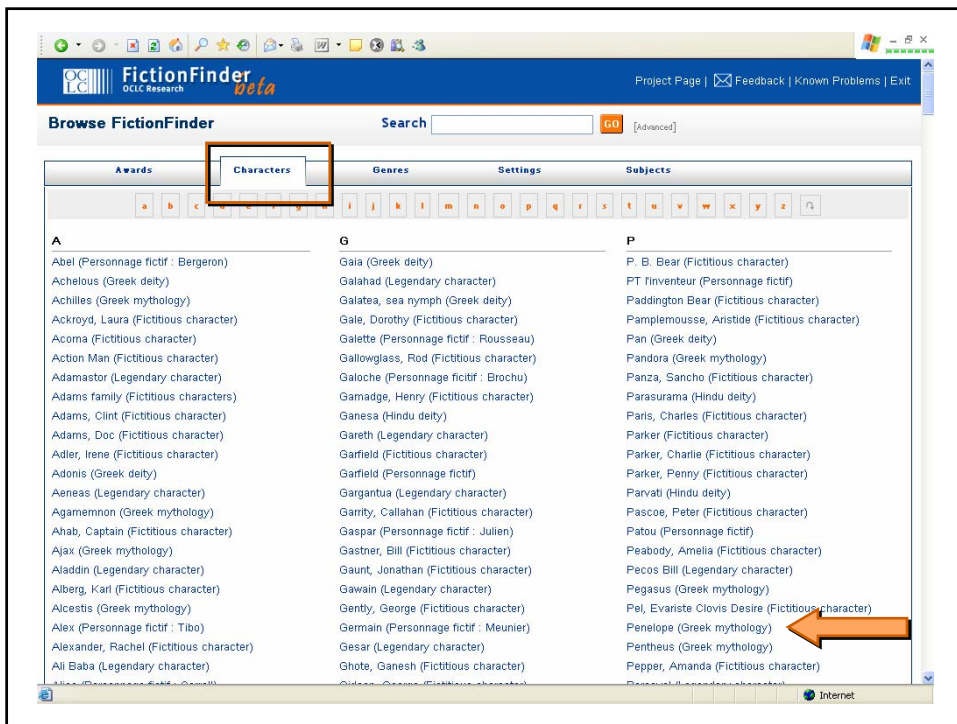
- Works about fiction, drama, etc.
- Movies, films, video
- Music



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The screenshot shows the FictionFinder beta website in a web browser. The header includes the OCLC logo, the site name 'FictionFinder beta', and navigation links for 'Project Page', 'Feedback', 'Known Problems', and 'Exit'. Below the header is a search bar with a 'GO' button and a '[Advanced]' link. The main content area starts with a 'Welcome' section explaining the project's purpose. This is followed by a 'Subject Clouds' section with tabs for 'Dutch', 'English', 'French', and 'Spanish'. The 'English' tab is active, displaying a large cloud of subject terms such as 'Actors', 'Assassins', 'Boys', 'Brothers', 'Cats', 'City and town life', 'Clergy', 'Composers', 'Conspiracies', 'Criminals', 'Cults', 'Death', 'Depressions', 'Dogs', 'Dreams', 'Ex-convicts', 'Explorers', 'Family', 'Fathers and daughters', 'Fathers and sons', 'Friendship', 'Gay men', 'Girls', 'Governesses', 'Grandmothers', 'Heroes', 'Hotelkeepers', 'Immigrants', 'Immortalism', 'Inheritance and succession', 'Islands', 'Journalists', 'Kidnapping', 'Legislators', 'Lesbians', 'Mafias', 'Magic', 'Magicians', 'Man-woman relationships', 'Marriage', 'Married women', 'Millionaires', 'Monsters', 'Mormons', 'Mothers and daughters', 'Murder', 'Murderers', 'Nobility', 'Novelists', 'Nurses', 'Opera', 'Orphans', 'Outlaws', 'Physicians', 'Pianists', 'Pirates', 'Poets', 'Policewomen', 'Presidents', 'Prisoners', 'Psychics', 'Queens', 'Reincarnation', 'Revenge', 'Sailors', 'Scientists', 'Sheriffs', 'Sisters', 'Slaves', 'Soldiers', 'Supernatural', 'Terrorism', 'Time travel', 'Totalitarianism', 'Twins', 'Vampires', 'Werewolves', 'Widowers', 'Widows', 'Witches', 'Wizards', 'Women', 'Young men', and 'Young women'. An orange arrow points to the bottom right of the subject cloud. At the bottom of the cloud, there is a note: '\* Faceted Application of Subject Terminology (FAST)'.





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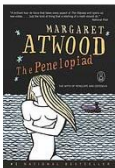
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Browse Search  GO [Advanced]

You searched: Fictitious Characters for **penelope greek mythology**

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**The Penelopiad**  
**Atwood, Margaret Eleanor, 1939-**

11 editions, in 3 languages, held by 1323 libraries

**Summary:** Homer's Odyssey is not the only version of the story. Mythic material was originally oral, and also local — a myth would be told one way in one place and quite differently in another. I have drawn on material other than the Odyssey, especially for the details of Penelope's parentage, her early life and marriage, and the scandalous rumors circulating about her. I've chosen to give the telling of the story to Penelope and to the twelve hanged maids. The maids form a chanting and singing Chorus, which focuses on two questions that must pose themselves after any close reading of the Odyssey: What led to the hanging of the maids, and what was Penelope really up to? The story as told in the Odyssey doesn't hold water: there are too many inconsistencies. I've always been haunted by the hanged maids and, in *The Penelopiad*, so is Penelope herself. The author of *The Handmaid's Tale* and *The Blind Assassin* presents a cycle of stories about Penelope, wife of Odysseus, through the eyes of the twelve maids hanged for disloyalty to Odysseus in his absence.

**Characters:** Odysseus (Greek mythology) | Penelope (Greek mythology)

**Audience:**

Kids General Special

| Editions  |          | Genres                     |          | Characters               |         | Settings  |  | Subjects |  |
|---|----------|----------------------------|----------|--------------------------|---------|-----------|--|----------|--|
|   |          | Name by Language: All (11) |          | Name by Format: Show All |         |           |  |          |  |
| Title / Author  | OCLC #   | Date                       | Language | Format                   | Aud.    | Libraries |  |          |  |
| 1. P'enellop'iadū : Magōrit Aet'ūdū changp'yōn sosŏl (Margaret Atwood) ; Kim Chin-jun omgim           | 63813221 | 2005                       | Korean   | Book                     | General | ■■■■■     |  |          |  |
| 2. L'odyssée de Pénélope / Margaret Atwood ; traduit de l'anglais par Lori Saint-Martin et Paul Gagné | 61700382 | 2005                       | French   | Book                     | Special | ■■■■■     |  |          |  |
| 3. The Penelopiad / Margaret Atwood   | 62145982 | 2005                       | English  | Book                     | General | ■■■■■     |  |          |  |
| 4. The Penelopiad Margaret Atwood   | 62099683 | 2005                       | English  | Book                     | General | ■■■■■     |  |          |  |

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Back to Work Edition 1 of 1 Find This Edition

**P'enellop'iadū : Odiseusū Wa P'enellop'e = The Penelopiad**  
**Atwood, Margaret Eleanor, 1939- / Magōrit Aet'ūdū changp'yōn sosŏl**  
**(Margaret Atwood) ; Kim Chin-jun omgim.**

**Alt Title:** Penelopiad

**Edition:** Ch'op'an.

**Date:** 2005.

**Language:** Korean

**Description:** 231 p. ;—20 cm.

**Publisher:** Kyōnggi-do P'aju-si : Munhak Tongne, 2005.

**ISBN:** 8954600506 8954600484 (set)

**OCLC:** 63813221

| Details   | Excerpt | Table of Contents | Citation | Comments |
|---|---------|-------------------|----------|----------|
| <p><b>Details</b></p> <p><b>Series:</b> Segye sinhwa ch'ongsŏ ;—2</p> <p><b>Subjects:</b> Odysseus (Greek mythology)<br/>Penelope (Greek mythology)</p> <p><b>Alternate Representation</b></p> <p><b>Title:</b> 패넬로피아드 : 오디세우스와패넬로페 = The Penelopiad / 마거릿애트우드장편소설 (Margaret Atwood) ; 김진준옮김.</p> <p><b>Edition:</b> 초판.</p> <p><b>Publication Data:</b> 경기도파주시 : 문학동네, 2005.</p> <p><b>Series—Title:</b> 세계신화총서 ; 2</p> <p><b>Index Term (Uncontrolled):</b> 패넬로페 그리스신화 소설</p> |         |                   |          |          |

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You searched: Genres for **psychological near fiction**

Previous 10 Works Displaying 1 - 10 of 5625 Next 10 Works >> Jump to work:

| Title / Author   | Editions | Libraries |
|--|----------|-----------|
| 1. <b>Moby Dick</b> / Melville, Herman<br>Captain Ahab maniacally hunts the great white whale across the seven oceans.   | 823      | 31244     |
| 2. <b>Wuthering Heights</b> / Brontë, Emily<br>A story of love turning in on itself and the violence and misery that result from thwarted longing.   | 902      | 29574     |
| 3. <b>Scarlet Letter</b> / Hawthorne, Nathaniel<br>In early colonial Massachusetts, a young woman endures the consequences of her sin of adultery and spends the rest of her life in atonement.  | 776      | 28929     |
| 4. <b>Red Badge of Courage</b> / Crane, Stephen<br>During his service in the Civil War, a young Union soldier matures to manhood and finds peace of mind as he comes to grips with his conflicting emotions about war.   | 504      | 28414     |
| 5. <b>Madame Bovary</b> / Flaubert, Gustave<br>The slow but inevitable moral degeneration of a weak woman. Describes the patient rendering of the squalor and narrowness of provincial life and of its effect on the woman's mind.   | 776      | 21615     |
| 6. <b>Prestuplenie i Nakazanie</b> / Dostoyevsky, Fyodor<br>Raskolnikov commits murder. He then must deal both with the police, and his own guilty conscience. Determined to overreach his humanity and assert his untrammelled individual will, Raskolnikov, an impoverished student living in the St. Petersburg of the Tsars, commits an act of murder and theft and sets into motion a story which, for its excruciating suspense, its atmospheric vividness, and its profundity of characterization and vision, is almost unequalled in the literatures of the world. The best known of Dostoevsky's masterpieces, Crime and Punishment can bear any amount of rereading without losing a drop of its power over our imagination. | 667      | 20600     |
| 7. <b>Dracula</b> / Stoker, Bram<br>After discovering the double identity of the wealthy Transylvanian nobleman, Count Dracula, a small group of people vow to rid the world of the evil vampire. Illustrated notes throughout the text explain the historical background of the story.  | 422      | 16777     |
| 8. <b>Brat'ia Karamazovy</b> / Dostoyevsky, Fyodor<br>The Brothers Karamazov, Dostoevsky's crowning achievement, is a tale of patricide & family rivalry that embodies the moral &   | 437      | 17665     |

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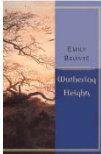
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**Wuthering Heights.**  
**Brontë, Emily, 1818-1848**  
902 editions, in 33 languages, held by 29574 libraries

**Summary:** A story of love turning in on itself and the violence and misery that result from thwarted longing.

**Genres:** Love stories | Psychological fiction | Domestic fiction | Autobiographical fiction | Feminist fiction | Romantic suspense fiction

**Characters:** Heathcliff (Fictitious character)

**Settings:** England —Yorkshire [+]  
1800 - 1899 | England | Yorkshire (Inglaterra) —Novela [+]  
Great Britain | Since 1950 | 1900 - 1999 | Africa | Congo (Democratic Republic) | England —Yorkshire Dales [+]

**Subjects:** Manners and customs | Rejection (Psychology) | Triangles (Interpersonal relations) | Foundlings | Rural families | Man-woman relationships | Country life | Social conflict | Moors (Wetlands) | Orphans | [More]

**Audience:** ☐ Kids ☒ General ☐ Special

| Editions   |          | Genres | Characters | Settings | Subjects |           |
|--|----------|--------|------------|----------|----------|-----------|
| Title / Author   | OCLC #   | Date   | Language   | Format   | Aud.     | Libraries |
| 1. Wuthering Heights / by Emily Brontë ; illustrated with wood engravings by Fritz Eichenberg  | 09634307 | 1943   | English    | Book     | General  | 31244     |
| 2. Wuthering Heights; Edited by William M. Sale, Jr  | 00481005 | 1963   | English    | Book     | General  | 29574     |
| 3. Wuthering Heights Emily Brontë ; edited by Ian Jack; with an introduction and notes by Patsy Stoneman   | 47008235 | 1998   | English    | eBooks   | General  | 28929     |
| 4. Wuthering heights / by Emily Brontë ; with illustrations from paintings by contemporary artists and photographs from the Wuthering Heights country together with an introductory biographical sketch of the author and anecdotal notes by David Copperfield | 02891236 | 1942   | English    | Book     | General  | 28414     |

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**Browse** **Search**  in: Genres  in: Settings  in: Fictitious Characters   [Basic]

You searched: Genres for **psychological** near **fiction** AND Settings for **canada**

Previous 10 Works Displaying 1 - 10 of 54 **Next 10 Works >>** Jump to work:

| Title / Author   | Editions | Libraries |
|--|----------|-----------|
| 1. <b>The Blind Assassin</b> / Atwood, Margaret Eleanor  | 65       | 4358      |
| 2. <b>Cat's Eye</b> / Atwood, Margaret Eleanor<br>Returning to the city of her youth for a retrospective of her art, controversial painter Elaine Risley is engulfed by vivid images of the past. Strongest of all is the figure of Cordelia, leader of the trio of girls who initiated her into the fierce politics of childhood and its secret world of friendship, longing, and betrayal. | 46       | 4941      |
| 3. <b>Alias Grace</b> / Atwood, Margaret Eleanor<br>A fictionalized account of Grace Marks, a maid who murdered her employer and his mistress in Canada in 1843. A stablehand who was her accomplice and who claimed she put him up to it was hung for the crime, while she ended up in a lunatic asylum. The novel analyzes the question: was she actually less guilty, crazy, or smarter?  | 45       | 4178      |
| 4. <b>Fifth Business</b> / Davies, Robertson   | 38       | 1956      |
| 5. <b>Beautiful Losers</b> / Cohen, Leonard  | 31       | 754       |
| 6. <b>Lost Girls</b> / Pyper, Andrew<br>Bartholomew Crane is a criminal defense attorney defending an English teacher accused of murdering two missing fourteen-year-old girls whose bodies are presumed to lie at the bottom of a haunted lake.   | 18       | 1507      |
| 7. <b>Petite Fille Qui Aimait Trop Les Allumettes</b> / Soucy, Gaétan  | 18       | 408       |
| 8. <b>Hey Nostradamus!</b> / Coupland, Douglas<br>Chronicles the aftermath of a shooting rampage at a school cafeteria in a quiet Vancouver neighborhood. Four dramatically different characters tell how their lives were forever changed by the violence.  | 13       | 924       |
| 9. <b>The Snow Falcon</b> / Harrison, Stuart   | 12       | 1436      |

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**Browse** **Search**   [Advanced]

You searched: Genres for **psychological** near **fiction** AND Settings for **canada**

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**Petite fille qui aimait trop les allumettes.**  
**Soucy, Gaétan, 1958-**

18 editions, in 12 languages, held by 408 libraries

**Genres:** Psychological fiction | Suspense fiction

**Settings:** Canada

**Subjects:** Brothers and sisters | Hermits

**Audience:** ☐ Kids ☒ General ☐ Special

| Editions  |          | Genres |          | Characters |         | Settings  |  | Subjects |  |
|---|----------|--------|----------|------------|---------|-----------|--|----------|--|
| Title / Author  | OCLC #   | Date   | Language | Format     | Aud.    | Libraries |  |          |  |
| 1. La niña que amaba las cerillas / Gaétan Soucy ; traducción, Óscar Luis Molina  | 60324263 | 2001   | Spanish  | Book       | General | 408       |  |          |  |
| 2. O dievčatku, ktoré sa hralo so zápalkami / Gaétan Soucy ; do slovenčiny preložila Ľudmila B. Fialová                 | 64905648 | 2003   | Slovak   | Book       | Special | 408       |  |          |  |
| 3. Fetjia care iubea prea mult chibriturile / Gaétan Soucy ; traducere de Ana Andreescu                                 | 64582977 | 2004   | Romanian | Book       | General | 408       |  |          |  |
| 4. La bambina che amava troppo i fiammiferi / Gaétan Soucy ; versione italiana di Francesco Bruno                       | 56632476 | 2003   | Italian  | Book       | Special | 408       |  |          |  |
| 5. Das Mädchen, das die Streichhölzer zu sehr liebte : Gaétan Soucy ; Aus dem Französischen von Natalie Freund-Giesbert | 48229445 | 2001   | German   | Book       | Special | 408       |  |          |  |
| 6. La petite fille qui aimait trop les allumettes : Gaétan Soucy  | 39387492 | 1998   | French   | Book       | Special | 408       |  |          |  |
| 7. La petite fille qui aimait trop les allumettes : Gaétan Soucy  | 43282418 | 2000   | French   | Book       | Special | 408       |  |          |  |

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## Additional information

See Research Projects at

<http://www.oclc.org/research/projects/>

- Audience Level      FAST
- FictionFinder      FRBR Algorithm
- "Making Data Work Harder." 2006. B. Lavoie, L. Dempsey and L. Silipigni Connaway. LibraryJournal.com, Jan. 15, 2006. Available online at:  
<http://www.libraryjournal.com/article/CA6298444.html>

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