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# Information literacy is dead?

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# Challenge 1

In the name of ...  
'Information Literacy'



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# Challenge 2

I teach therefore I am



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I sometimes hear librarians saying  
“We just need to make clients have  
lots and lots of training to be able  
to use our services.” (Missingham 2006)



We need to appear where our users appear –  
we have to step into the shoes of the user and not send them to re-education camps. (Missingham 2006)



The best experience of going to a library is when you don't use a service because you can find exactly what you need without having to ask someone. (Leadbeater 2006)



Keyword

OK



AIDS Poster Collection Available Online  
Launched on World AIDS Day December 1

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# Top ten library terms that users don't understand

- Acronyms & brand names
- Database
- Library Catalogue
- E-journals
- Index
- Periodical or Serial
- Reference
- Resource
- Interlibrary loan
- Subject categories, eg Humanities. Social Science

(Kupersmith 2007)



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# Challenge 3

No of people: 0

No of groups: 0



# Challenge 4



# Challenge 5

Every undergraduate student  
must be information literate  
according to OUR standards



# Challenge 6

Relationship building:  
postgraduate students  
(research) and staff



We must challenge our  
traditional, cautious culture;  
our roles, systems,  
technologies....

We must change our attitudes  
and skills sets. (Williamson 2006)



# Final challenge

*Start a new debate (and a new passion):*

How can we build libraries that provide optimum access to our collections and that link users to beyond our collections **WITHOUT** the need to ask?



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