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Abstract

Twelve fathers and 12 mothers of four year olds were presented with 14 children's books representing various genres and were asked to select the five books they would read to their children in the coming week and to give reasons for their selections. They were then asked to identify those books they would not select and to provide reasons. There were some differences between mothers' / fathers' book selection and some differences between selecting for sons/ daughters. Similar differences were noted in terms of those books which parents would not select.

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