Enhancing DDC quality

- In Sweden







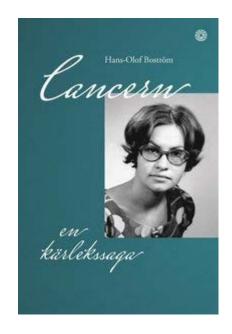
What is (not) good quality?

Wrong number building

- 796.33409209485
 Football (soccer) biography Sweden
- Should be 796.334092
- Football (soccer) biography
- Preference table in Table 1
- Instruction about not using Table 1 twice

Wrong subject/disciplin

- 616.994
 Cancer medicin
- Should be 362.196994240092
 Lung cancer humans--social services biography

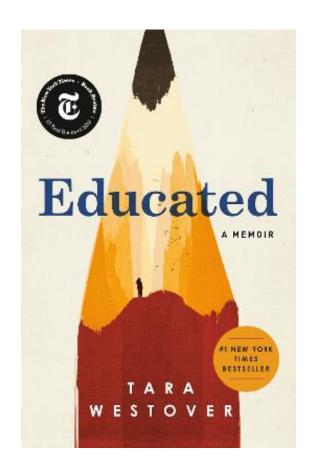




Different opinions

Right or wrong subject/disciplin?

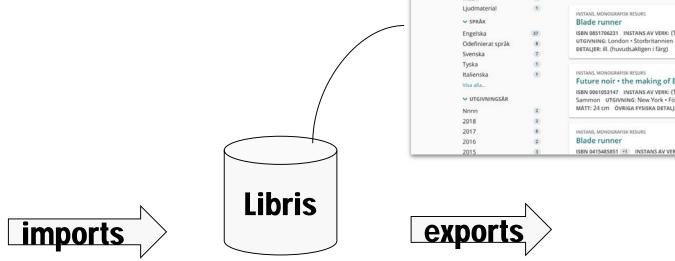
- 270.092 Christians—biography (LC)
- 371.8092 Students biography (BL)
- LC subjects: Westover, Tara--Family; <u>Women--Idaho--Biography.</u>
 Survivalism--Idaho--Biography.; <u>Home schooling--Idaho--Anecdotes.</u>
 Women college students--United States--Biography.; Victims of family violence--Idaho--Biography;
 Idaho--Rural conditions--Anecdotes.; <u>Idaho--Biography.</u> Subculture--Idaho; <u>Christian biography</u>
- **BL subjects:** Westover, Tara; Students -- United States -- Biography; Survivalism -- United States; Ex-cultists -- United States -- Biography;

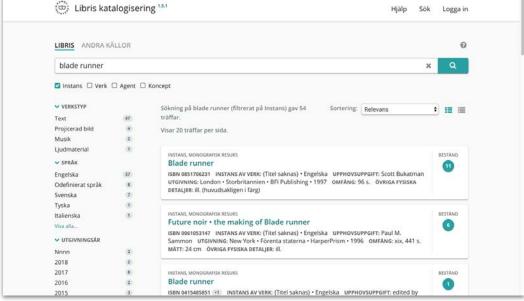




Cataloguing & classification in Sweden

- Cataloguing in Libris
 - -Cooperation

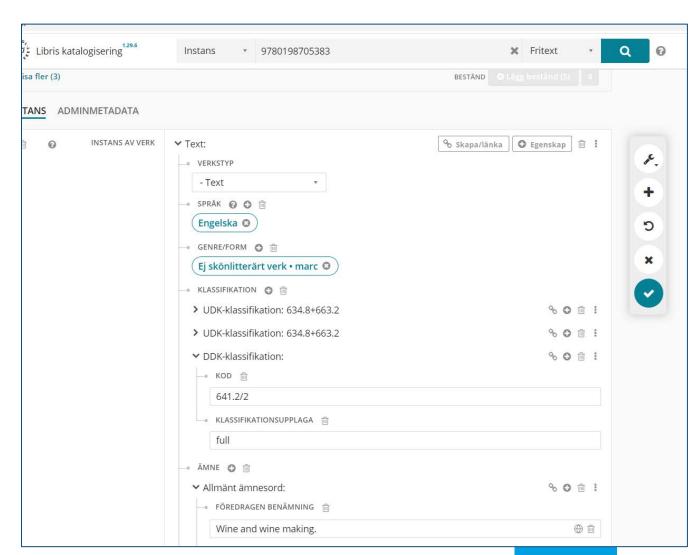






Importing records

- Efficient not having to classify
- Main reason for leaving SAB (Swedish Classification System) and starting with DDC



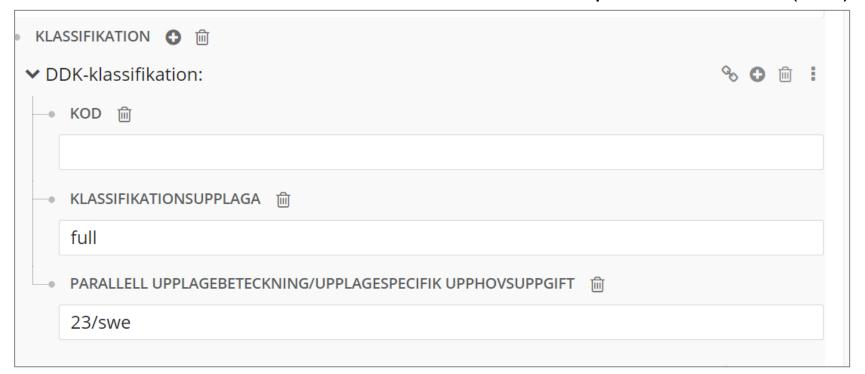
Cooperation in Libris

- 500 libraries:
 - National library
 - University libraries
 - Special libraries
 - Public libraries (36 kommuner (counties) use DDC of a total 290)
- BTJ (bibliographic agency) so far no DDC classification



DDC-classification

- DDC-classification
 - Swedish WebDewey
 - Version automatically
 - Recommendation to use one DDC code but possible to add (083)





Efficient and good quality?

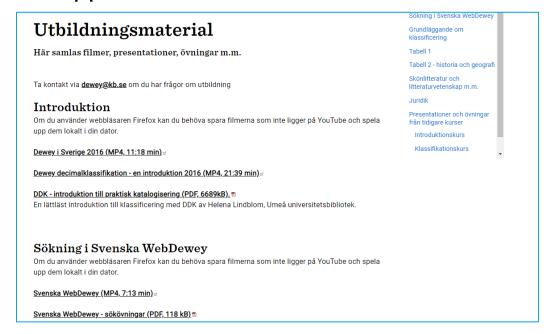
- Experienced classifiers at the National library
 - All Swedish publications...
 - But not possible!
 - Other institutions catalogue their own publications

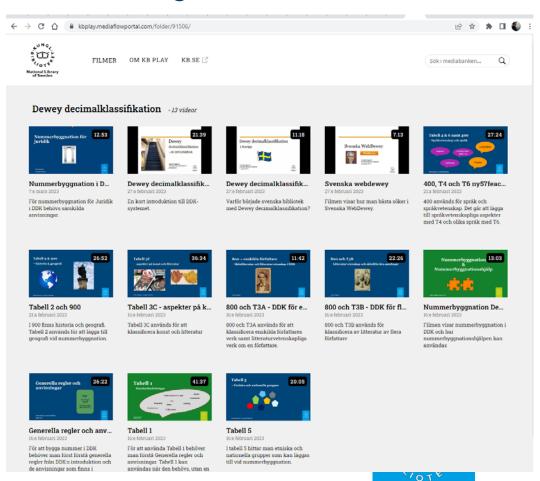
- Public libraries need DDC at the publication date not half a year later!
 - How should the National library prioritize?
 - Small cataloguing departements sometimes very small!
 - Some public libraries should not have to classify!
 - BTJ?



Other libraries need to classify

- A translated and updated Swedish WebDewey
 - Difficult to search the index in a mixed translation.
 - Mappings: Swedish Subject Headings DDC
- Training material in Metadatabyrån
- Support





National Library of Sweden

Enhancing quality

- Improve DDC quality in the National bibliography & in all of Libris
- Test quality in Libris by sample studies
 - Contact and support libraries that need help
- CXZ (a communication tool in Libris to inform libraries with holdings about important changes to a record)
 - Educate by explaining why a DDC classification code needs to be changed
- Sharing & publication of built numbers
 - More built numbers improve the Swedish Webdewey (1700)
 - Correctness of built numbers are verified
 - Also is it the correct number for the classified work?

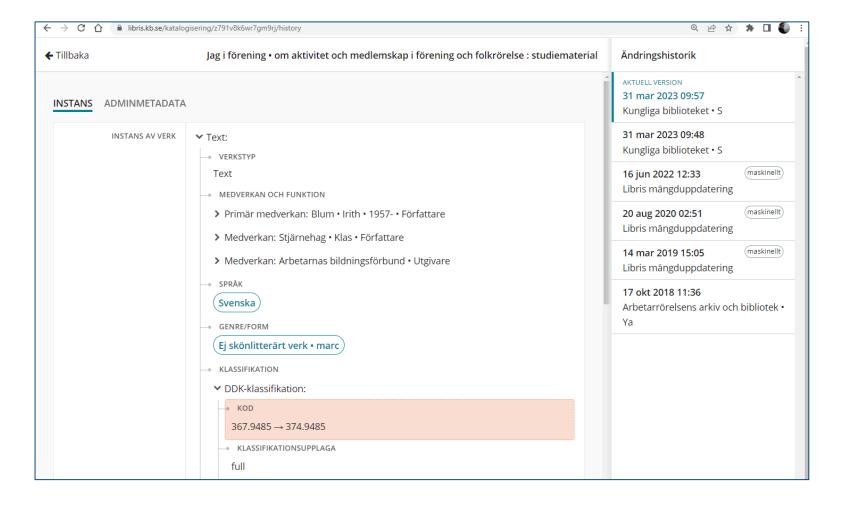


Improve DDC quality at the National Bibliography

- NB cataloguing support which includes DDC
- 2011-2022 Dewey support meetings
 - 2022 DDC included in cataloguing meetings
- New cataloguers gets trained by senior cataloguers
 - Digital DDC training courses
 - Extra DDC support
- Repetition it is easy to forget, eg. the principle of approximating the whole



Source of classification?



- New discussion about using Source of Classification
- New function: History of changes
- Entities
- Records



Contact



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