



# ANTIQUARIAN, RARE, AND COLLECTABLE (ARC) BOOKS

Better World Books welcomes Antiquarian, Rare, and Collectable (ARC) books. We employ specialists to properly identify, care for and market these books to ensure their value is maintained and they find their way to the right buyers.

## WHICH BOOKS SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO THE ARC DEPARTMENT?

As each item's value is determined by a number of different criteria, it is difficult to provide an exhaustive list of what is best sent to our specialists. However, the following guidelines may be helpful:

- Academic Press Volumes
- Antique Geographical, Topographical, Political or Technical Maps
- Critical editions of Primary Research Texts
- Literary First Editions, including Modern First Editions
- Subject specific monographs or studies
- Books featuring unique plates of illustrations (eg woodcuts, lithographs)
- Technical Reference books
- Collection Deaccessions, including special, rare, faculty, author/subject specific collections

## IS IT OK TO SEND BOOKS THAT DON'T FALL UNDER THESE HEADINGS BUT I SUSPECT HAVE VALUE FOR ANOTHER REASON?

Absolutely. The more unusual the better. Because we sell on multiple marketplaces, we are confident that if there is a buyer out there somewhere, we'll find them!

## DOES BETTER WORLD BOOKS ARC DEPARTMENT ACCEPT EX-LIBRARY BOOKS?

Of course. While we welcome ex-library volumes, we ask that library treatments are not removed and that any stamps are placed discreetly in a single location – perhaps on the library's book plate or title page.

## HOW DO I ENSURE THE ARC SPECIALISTS RECEIVE MY ARC BOOKS?

To ensure that your books are routed to the ARC Department, please begin by packing this material in boxes containing only ARC material. If you are printing labels from the Client Portal, select the tracking code that ends with the letters ARC. If you are shipping both ARC and non-ARC material, you will need to generate the correct number of labels for each tracking code. If you are shipping via freight, please separate and clearly mark each box containing ARC material with the letters ARC. Finally, when scheduling your freight shipment, please mention that your shipment contains ARC material. If you do not have an ARC tracking code, please contact us at [ReUseFirst@betterworldbooks.com](mailto:ReUseFirst@betterworldbooks.com).

## WHO SHOULD I CONTACT IF I HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT ARC BOOKS?

Please contact your Account Representative if you have ARC related questions or contact the ARC staff directly at [ARC@betterworldbooks.com](mailto:ARC@betterworldbooks.com).