

First...a little bit about me.

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Jumping

After getting 'SHHH'-ed a lot by the librarians, I thought enough is enough. So, I decided to express myself through writing instead. I sneak around through the shelves and books, gathering information on all the things that happen in the UTSC library—conducting interviews with the librarians and students, and writing reports that reveal all the library's secrets. So if you have a question, don't hesitate to ask!



Send me your questions: scarbyutsclibrary@gmail.com

or

Drop your questions in the "Ask Scarby" Box located on top of the Drop Box at the entrance of the library.





Ask Scarby

Scarby H. Hedgehog, SHHH

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Have you ever wondered where the origin of "Shhh" came from? Or if there is more to librarians than just being "shhh-ers"? Well here is your chance to ask the questions that you never got the answers for! Ask away and I'll do my best to answer!





Library Queries

The Most Borrowed

Dear Scarby, there are so many great things in the library. I have always wondered, what items in the library are borrowed the most?

-Fact Seeker, 4th year

Dear Fact Seeker,

If you've ever stepped inside the UTSC library, you're sure to have noticed that it's quite a large library. With over 300,000 items in the collection, there is a lot to choose from. Although there are a few items that attract the students' attention the most. One of these items is season one of **Game of Thrones on DVD**, which has circulated **56 times**. The most popular book is **also "A Game of Thrones"** which has **been borrowed 77 times** and seems to prove that "the book was better" indeed.

The UTSC Library has more than just books and DVDs. There is also a Tech Lending collection. The most popular items from that collection are the **lighting to USB cables**; each one of them circulates about **400 times a year**. The latest additions to the library's collection include video games and board games. Although they were only added a couple of months ago, I am sure they will be one of the more popular items among students and library users to enjoy! Heck, I'm going to take out Scrabble right now.

Yours truly,

SHHH

Study Spots

Dear Scarby, I am a first year student here at UTSC and am struggling to find a good spot to study on campus. Can you give me some advice on where the best place to study in the library is? -Still Searching, 1st year

Dear Still Searching,

It really depends on how you like to study. I personally like the **small quiet study room** on the second floor the most. I feel like it is the easiest place to hide because not only is it right beside the elevator (yes, when I feel lazy I take the elevator one floor up), it is also closest to the entrance/exit.

On a day when I do not mind some noise, and am not looking for absolute quiet, I prefer the reading room at the entrance of the library. The couches are the comfiest seats in this entire campus. You are also right beside the course reserves and can run to snatch one up when they are in high demand. One other super comfortable place is the **new 'nook'** area behind the reference desk. Again, it contains those comfy chairs where you can take a nap, but what sets it apart are the workout bicycles. Like who even invented those? You can quietly work out vour muscles and vour brain at the same time. Although you probably won't find me there, I like to study in between the bookshelves.

Yours truly,

SHHH



Thumbs Up

Burrito bowls from the Marketplace—they're amazing!



Thumbs Down

To eat burrito bowls in the library—don't be that person!





This week on Scarby's bookshelf is the novel "Scarborough" by Catherine Hernandez



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