Unlocking The Mysteries Of Cataloging: A Workbook Of Examples (Library And Information Science Text Series)
**Synopsis**

Supplementing existing textbooks with exercises that allow practice in description, classification, subject analysis, and MARC 21, this workbook pinpoints problem areas that arise in the cataloging of a wide variety of materials in public, school, special, and academic library settings. Real title pages and other necessary materials are used throughout. AACR2 rule numbers are included, as well as questions for consideration. MARC records are provided for some 50 of 150 exercises. The book companion Web site (http://www.lu.com/workbook) has a section for students and a password protected section for instructors who adopt the book for courses. The instructor's Web site includes MARC records for all exercises. This book will appeal to cataloging students as necessary practice for sharpening their skills, as well as to beginning catalogers in the large library environment. It will be a valuable addition as individual study material and for in-house training of catalogers.

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This book has no lessons, and is strictly practice exercises with the answers included for each exercise. To say there are no lessons, is not completely accurate, because you will certainly learn by doing. It makes a great supplement to library cataloging textbooks.

This cataloguing (so sue me, I'm Canadian, that's how we spell it) workbook contains a couple of hundred exercises for people studying library cataloguing. A wide range of mostly good examples,
some of which are well known, with a bonus of AACR2 references applicable for each entry. The book suffers from some typos, which are anathema in this field, and a hefty price tag for what is essentially a book of lists. However, if you have to have it you’re caught in the textbook trap anyway.

The examples themselves are fine. The book contains images and descriptions of books, series, electronic and continuing resources. These are real items that can be found in OCLC Connexion. However, I sometimes had difficulty reading the actual print in this book. The images were too small, slightly blurry, etc.

This book is not for reading; it is for homework, but it is an excellent book for practice in creating library records in accompaniment with access to the rules for AACR2 to which it continually refers. Without these rules, the book is not going to be useful.

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