

Book Condition Terms

Very fine is a flawless copy, perfect in every way and probably never read. These are few and far between.

Fine is a copy with no real defects, but is not as pristine as a very fine copy. It may have been read, but with care. Any flaw, such as a bumped corner, a slightly sunned spine, rubbing, slight soiling, or a very tiny tear, will be noted. (Example: "slightly rubbed, else fine.").

Very Good is a copy with one or more small defects. It may be rubbed, have a small tear, a dinged corner, or other minor defect. Defects will be noted in our description. Most of our books are Very Good or better.

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