

Recommended Judaica Reference Works, 1987–1988

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This column lists selected reference materials that appeared in 1987 and 1988. Works from 1985 and 1986 are included if deemed significant. The purpose of this list is to recommend current Judaica reference books basic to research, both general and special. It is intended to serve as a guide to new tools for scholarly research as well as to more popular, but reliable works. The annotations describe the scope and use of each work. Prices are listed when available.

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Bibliographies (Personal)

*1. **Attal, Robert.** *Bibliyografiyah Shel Kivve Prof. Shelomoh Dov Goitain: Hashlamot* - A bibliography of the writings of Shelomo D. Goitein. Jerusalem: Makhon Ben-Zvi, 1987. 22 p. A supplement to the author's previous bibliography of the late Prof. Goitein's works (Jerusalem: Israel Oriental Society, 1975). The present bibliography lists chronologically 118 works written

from 1975 to 1985. It also includes earlier publications that were omitted from the initial listing. Indexed.

2. **Teitelbaum, Gene.** *Justice Louis D. Brandeis: A Bibliography of Writings and Other Materials on the Justice.* Littleton, CO: Fred B. Rothman, 1988. 128 p. ISBN 0837712157.

This annotated bibliography is a continuation of *Louis Dembitz Brandeis, 1856–1941: A Bibliography*, by Roy M. Mersky (New Haven: Yale Law School, 1958). It lists books and articles written about Justice Brandeis since 1957, correspondence to and from Brandeis in manuscript collections, as well as speeches by and about Brandeis. The entries which chronicle Brandeis's Jewish and Zionist activities will be of special interest to the Judaica librarian. The lack of author and subject indexes detracts from the usefulness of this important bibliography.

Biographies

3. **Who's Who in World Jewry: A Biographical Dictionary of Outstanding Jews.** Edited by Judith Turk Rosenblatt. Baltimore: Who's Who in World Jewry, 1987. 631 p. ISBN 0961827203.

Like its predecessors, the 1987 edition provides biographical data on Jewish men and women who have distinguished themselves in the arts, sciences, government, academia, business, or Jewish communal life. This edition includes photographs of some of the biographees and a special section on Soviet-Jewish refuseniks.

Christian-Jewish Relations

4. **Pruter, Karl.** *Jewish Christians in the United States: A Bibliography.* New York: Garland Publishing, 1987. 192 p. ISBN 0824087410.

A bibliography of books, pamphlets, tracts, and periodicals published by various organizations that are currently engaged in Jewish evangelism, i.e., missionary efforts aimed at converting Jews to Christianity. Each organization is identified, and the literature that it has produced is listed. The

remainder of the work provides the reader with an historical overview of the evangelical movement, which began in the nineteenth century. Publications pertaining to the historical development of the evangelical movement, materials in support of Jewish missions, as well as publications on Christian-Jewish relations, are also cited. The bibliography includes an author index.

Education—Curriculum

5. **The Jewish Teachers Handbook.** Volume I. Edited by Audrey Friedman Marcus. Rev. ed. Denver, CO: Alternatives in Religious Education, 1986. 204 p.

This new edition, with updated bibliographies, features "Research Tools for Jewish Education," by Micha F. Oppenheim, which lists indexes, periodicals, bibliographies, directories, dissertations, organizations, and institutions; and "Resource Guide for Jewish Education," by Audrey F. Marcus, which enumerates 25 sources, including bookstores, for everything a teacher might need—from Hebrew letters to posters.

Education—Directories

6. **Directory of Yeshiva High Schools: For Boys; For Girls.** Compiled by Torah Umesorah, National Society for Hebrew Day Schools. New York: Torah Umesorah, 1986. 147 p.

Ninety-four high schools in the United States and Canada are arranged alphabetically by state and then city. Information provided includes name, address, phone number, names of staff, description of school and curriculum, and fees.

Encyclopedias—Bibliography

7. **Brisman, Shimeon.** *A History and Guide to Judaic Encyclopedias and Lexicons.* Cincinnati, Ohio: Hebrew Union College Press, 1987. 502 p. ISBN 0878209093. \$49.50.

This work, the second in the series *Jewish Research Literature*, continues the author's pioneering work *A History and Guide to Judaic Bibliography* (Cincinnati, Ohio: Hebrew Union College Press, 1977). The author describes in detail over three hundred

and sixty general and specialized encyclopedias and lexicons dating from the mid-eighteenth century to the present. The specialized works relate to such topics as Bible, Talmudic/Rabbinic literature, Biography, Israel and Zionism, and Diaspora Communities. The work is enhanced by the chronological lists and summaries that follow the narrative in each chapter, as well as by the extensive notes which serve as a guide to further reading. Indexed.

[See the review by Zachary Baker in the APPROBATIONS section of this issue.—Ed.]

Family

8. **Bubis, Gerald B.** *Saving the Jewish Family*. Lanham: University Press of America, 1987. 216 p. ISBN 08191657213. \$27.75.

In a lengthy essay, Bubis examines and evaluates the factors affecting the Jewish family in the post-emancipation period. The essay is accompanied by a selective bibliography of over 1200 articles in English published between 1970 and 1982, intended to guide individuals "involved in developing strategies to work with Jewish families." The citations are confined primarily to social work and communal literature, and include materials on such topics as abortion, the aged and aging, conversion, divorce, Havurot, and women. Also included in the book are thirteen demographic tables.

9. **Jewish Family Issues: A Resource Guide**. Edited by Benjamin Schlessinger. New York: Garland, 1987. 143 p. ISBN 0824084608. \$35.

A classified bibliography of English-language materials published between 1960 and September 1986, focusing primarily on Jewish family life in the United States, Canada and Israel. The 524 citations are arranged under 78 topical headings dealing with marriage, children, family, and women.

Genealogy

10. **Sack, Sallyann Amdur.** *A Guide to Jewish Genealogical Research in Israel*. Baltimore, MD: Genealogical Publishing, 1987. 110 p. \$20.00.

Genealogical archival resources of Israel carefully described in this work include the Hall of Names at Yad Vashem, Central Archives of the Holocaust, Search Bureau for Missing Relatives, Central Archives for the History of the Jewish People, and libraries, private collections, and research institutes. Key sources such as yiskor books, landsmanschaften, "pages of testimony," and

chevrot kadisha (burial societies) are detailed and listed.

11. **Sack, Sallyann Amdur; Wynne, Suzan Fishl.** *The Russian Records Index and Catalog*. New York: Garland Publishing, 1987. 897 p. ISBN 0824084675.

A name index to a portion of the material generated by Russian consular offices in the United States and Canada during the period 1849–1946, the majority dating from 1917 to 1926. Much of the material pertains to Jews from Russia who emigrated to the United States and Canada during this period. The work is intended for genealogists, and is just about the only finding aid printed in English for those seeking family data on Russian ancestors. The consular materials are currently housed at the National Archives.

History

12. **Bibliography of Works on Jewish History in the Persian, Hellenistic, and Roman Periods: Publications of the Years 1981–1985**. Compiled and edited by Devorah Dimant. Jerusalem: The Zalman Shazar Center For Jewish History, 1987. 129 p. ISSN 03335119.

A continuation of a series of classified bibliographies, the last volume of which was edited by M. Mor and U. Rappaport and entitled: *Bibliography of Works on Jewish History in the Hellenistic and Roman Periods, 1976–1980* (Jerusalem, 1982). The present, expanded bibliography lists 1,214 books and periodicals published from 1981 to 1985 in a variety of languages, and encompasses the entire Second Temple Period, i.e., the years 538 B.C.E.—135 B.C.E. Author and subject indexes are included.

History—Aleppo

13. **Sutton, Joseph A. D.** *Aleppo Chronicles: The Story of the Unique Sephardeem of the Ancient Near East—In Their Own Words*. New York: Thayer-Jacoby, 1988. 576 p. ISBN 096064721X.

This study deals with the history and culture of the Jews of Aleppo and Damascus in Syria, as well as in other countries in which these Jews founded communities. The book focuses primarily on the Syrian community of Brooklyn, and serves as a companion volume to the author's earlier work *Magic Carpet: Aleppo-In-Flatbush* (New York: Thayer-Jacoby, 1979). Of particular interest to the reference librarian are the oral histories of some fifty Syrian Jews and the section containing Judeo-Arabic proverbs, phrases, and vocabulary.

History—China

14. **Leventhal, Dennis A.** *Sino-Judaic Studies: Whence and Whither: An Essay and Bibliography*. Hong Kong: Jewish Historical Society of Hong Kong, 1985. 99 p. ISBN 9627184012.

This work includes a brief essay on the history of the Jews in China and a letter dated 6 February 1979 from Lord Lawrence Kadoorie, a leading figure in the Jewish community in Hong Kong, to his former secretary, Mrs. Luba Arkin. The letter contains information on the history of Kadoorie's family. Of particular importance to the Judaica reference librarian is the bibliography of books and articles in both Western languages and Chinese on the Jewish experience in China.

History—United States

15. **Rafael, Ruth Kelson.** *The Western Jewish History Center: Guide to Archival and Oral History*. Berkeley, CA: Western Jewish History Center, Judah L. Magnes Memorial Museum, 1987. 207 p. ISBN 0943376351.

A definitive, illustrated catalog of the archival and oral history collections of the Western Jewish History Center, the holder of the most significant collection on Jews of the Western United States. The guide lists 300 archival collections and 95 oral histories. The descriptive annotations for each entry include historical or biographical background, a general description of contents, and detailed notes on items of special research interest. A glossary and name and subject indexes are appended.

Holocaust

16. **Directory of Holocaust Institutions**. 2nd ed. Washington, DC: U.S. Holocaust Memorial Council, 1988. 56 p. ISBN 0961651814.

This directory lists institutions and organizations in the United States and Canada that provide services, assemble resources, and conduct programs related to the Holocaust. Ninety-eight Holocaust institutions are arranged alphabetically by name. These include museums, resource centers, archival facilities, memorials, research institutes, and libraries. Information given for each institution includes address, phone number, staff, hours, activities, services, purpose, collections, and publications. The directory features a geographical index (by state) and an index of institutions by activity.

17. **Sable, Martin.** *Holocaust Studies: A Directory and Bibliography of Bibliographies*. Greenwood, FL: Penkevill Publishing, 1987. 115 p. ISBN 0913283207.

A bibliography of fifty-five bibliographies published through 1986, grouped by language, which "treat the Holocaust, in toto or in some aspect(s)." A directory of Holocaust associations and foundations, survivor organizations, archives, libraries, school and university teaching programs, and monuments, plaques, etc. is included. Each section of the directory is indexed.

Israel

18. **Political Dictionary of the State of Israel.** Susan Hattis Rolef, Editor. New York: Macmillan, 1987. 351 p. ISBN 0029164214. \$106.

In some 450 articles arranged alphabetically by topic, this work attempts to give the reader basic, reliable information on all aspects of Israeli politics, including prominent personalities past and present; political figures; parties; outstanding events; the Knesset; coalition agreements; media; Israel's economic and foreign policy; its relations with Great Powers and other nations, and with the Diaspora. Historical background is provided in entries such as Mandatory Palestine, Zionism, and the Arab-Israel conflict.

Jerusalem

19. **Purvis, James D. Jerusalem, The Holy City: A Bibliography.** Metuchen, NJ: Scarecrow Press, 1988. 499 p. ISBN 0810819996.

A classified bibliography of books and articles written in English and other Western European languages about Jerusalem, from ancient to modern times. The bibliography is divided into eight parts: 1. general studies on Jerusalem; 2. Jerusalem during the Biblical period; 3. Jerusalem during the Second Temple period; 4. Roman Jerusalem; 5. Jerusalem in Judaism; 6. Christian Jerusalem; 7. Jerusalem as a Muslim city; 8. Jerusalem in modern times. Author and subject indexes are included.

Law

20. **Urbach, Ephraim E. The Halakah: Its Sources and Development.** Ramat Gan: Massada, 1986. 519 p.

Originally written in Hebrew, this illustrated work describes and explains "the foundations of the Halakhah and the principles and methodology involved in its development as they are reflected in the literature of the oral law." The work includes a list of sources, a bibliography, and a general index.

Literature

21. **Handbook of American-Jewish Literature: An Analytical Guide to Topics, Themes and Sources.** Editor-In-Chief: Lewis Fried. New York: Greenwood Press, 1988. ISBN 0810019996.

A collection of essays on "the rise of modern Jewish letters, literature, theology, and cultural meditation from approximately 1880 to the present." The book's purpose is twofold: "to acquaint the general reader with the major subjects and themes of American-Jewish literature and to renew the scholar's familiarity with this material and its interpretation." Each essay is accompanied by a short bibliography and, where necessary, a "For Further Reading" list. Indexed.

22. **Modern Hebrew Literature in English Translation: Papers, Selected Syllabi, and Bibliographies.** Edited by Leon I. Yudkin. New York: Markus Wiener Publishing, 1987. 262 p. ISBN 0910129800.

This work contains the papers of the 1986 Jerusalem workshop sponsored by the International Center for University Teaching of Jewish Civilization. The book includes papers dealing with modern Hebrew literature, as well as six syllabi on the subject. The following bibliographies will be of particular interest to the Judaica reference librarian: "Hebrew Literature in Translation: Selected Bibliographies," by Ezra Spicandler; "Bibliography of Modern Hebrew Literature," by Leon Yudkin; "Bibliography Of Holocaust Literature," by Naomi B. Sokoloff.

Organizations

23. **American Jewish Organizations Directory.** 12th ed. New York: Frenkel Mailing Service (75 Montgomery St., New York, NY 10022) 1987. 231 p.

Arranged alphabetically by state, then by city. For each city, synagogues are listed first, followed by Jewish organizations and schools, all in alphabetical order. The only exception is Brooklyn, NY, for which Jewish organizations are listed in alphabetical order, and synagogues and schools in zip-code order. Each entry gives address, telephone number, and names of the organization's officials (rabbi, president, etc.).

24. **American Jewish Organizations with Offices in Israel: A Directory.** New York: Institute on American Jewish-Israel Relations, American Jewish Committee, 1987. 27 p.

A listing of thirty-two American Jewish organizations that maintain offices in Israel. The activities of each organization are

described in a brief paragraph, and its address and telephone number in the United States and Israel are given.

Periodical Indexes

25. **Jewish Education Index, volumes 44-53, Summer 1975 thru Winter 1985.** Compiled by Stanley Fischman. New York: Council for Jewish Education (c/o B.J.E., 426 W. 58th St, New York, NY 10019), 1986. 26 p. (In the Spring 1986 (vol. 54, no. 1) issue).

*26. **Mafteah le-"ha-Hinukh" = Index to "Hachinuch": Journal for Educational Thought, 1910-1981, volumes 1-53.** Compiled by Sinai Aleksandrowicz; brought to press by Naava Eisin. Tel Aviv: Tel-Aviv University, School of Education, 1986. 109 p.

Press

*27. **Gilbo'a, Menuha. Leksikon ha-'Itonut ha-'Ivrit ba-Me'ah XIX = Hebrew periodicals in the 19th century.** Tel-Aviv: Tel-Aviv University, Chaim Rosenberg School of Jewish Studies, 1986. 148 p. ISSN 9653310003.

The first of a projected multi-volume work on the history of Hebrew periodicals, this book surveys the publications for the period 1691-1856. The author provides the following information for each publication cited: 1. bibliographic data, i.e., title and imprint; 2. number of volumes published; 3. biographical data on the editors; 4. a statement of the purpose of the periodical and a summary of its contents; 5. a list of the prominent contributors to the journal. At the end of each article, there are references to other related periodicals as well as a short bibliography. Included are indexes of the periodicals, editors, contributors, and places of publication.

Rabbinic Literature

28. **Carmell, Aryeh. Aiding Talmud Study.** 5th ed., newly rev. and expanded with many new key words and new features. Jerusalem: Feldheim, 1986. 88 p.

This guide includes key words and phrases from the Gemara in vocalized Aramaic with English translation; commonly used abbreviations explained and translated into English; a concise survey of Aramaic (Talmudic) grammar; chronological charts of Tannaim and Amoraim; an English translation of Shmuel ha-Nagid's *Introduction to the Talmud*; tables of Talmudic weights and measures; chronological charts of Talmudic sages; and a map of Torah centers in the time of the Mishna and Talmud.

Previously published as: *Aids to Talmud study.*

29. **Eidensohn, Daniel.** *Yad Moshe: Index to the Igros Moshe of Rav Moshe Feinstein.* Brooklyn, NY: D. Eidensohn (3109 Bedford Ave., Brooklyn, NY 11210), 1987. 102 p. \$10.

An English subject index to the seven-volume responsa of this generation's leading Orthodox posek (Halachic authority) Rabbi Moshe Feinstein, zt"l. The index is divided into 117 major categories, with each category subdivided further. The largest number of entries appears under the heading *Ishus* (matrimony).

A cautionary note states that the index was compiled to further knowledge, but is not to be used for deciding issues of Jewish law, as each responsum was given for an individual situation under particular circumstances.

A Hebrew edition is in preparation.

30. **The Literature of the Sages.** Editor: Shmuel Safrai. Philadelphia: Fortress Press, 1987. 464 p. ISBN 0800606051. This collection of scholarly essays is part of the series *Compendia Rerum Judaicarum Ad Novum Testamentum*. The essays deal with the Oral Torah, Halakha, Mishna, Tosefta, Babylonian Talmud, Palestinian Talmud, and the External Tractates, describing the form and content of the literature. In addition to individual chapter bibliographies, the collection features a cumulative bibliography. A list of extant manuscript editions follows the chapters on the Mishna, Tosefta, and Talmud. The book includes an index of personal names up to and including the Gaonic period, as well as an index of sources.

31. **A Tentative Catalogue of Manuscripts of the Rashi Commentary to the Talmud.** Compiled and edited by Shlomo H. Pick and Sarah Munitz. Ramat Gan: Bar-Ilan University, Rashi Project, Department of Talmud, 1988. 54, 10 p.

This tentative catalog consists of a dual listing of all extant manuscripts of the Rashi commentary to the Talmud. The first list arranges the manuscripts according to the libraries in which they are found. References are made to: 1. previous catalogs; 2. citations in *Les Gloses Françaises Dans Les Commentaires Talmudiques De Raschi*, by A. Darmesteter and D. S. Blondheim (Paris, 1929); 3. microfilm or photostat number of the Institute of Microfilmed Hebrew Manuscripts, where applicable. The second list is arranged in the order of the tractates of the Talmud. The compilers view this publication as a first step towards the publication of a scholarly edition of the Rashi commentary to the Talmud.

Rare Books—Bibliography

*32. **Rozenfeld, Moshe.** *'Atikim u-nedirim: madrikh ve-katalog li-sefarim 'Ivriyim = Antique and rare books.* Alon Shvut: Yad Shapira, 1987. 2 vols.

This guide and catalog of Hebrew antique and rare books covers 18 auctions. It includes a Hebrew title index listing over 1600 books, giving for each title, place and year of publication, price, and firm. Facsimiles with brief descriptions are included for some 150 books.

To date, two volumes out of a projected three have appeared. Volume 1 covers incunabula, Italian imprints, Chasidic books, and Polish-Russian imprints; volume 2 treats Konstantinopel, Saloniki, Smyrna (Ismir), Holland, London, Paris, and Central Europe (part 1). Volume 3 will cover Central Europe (complete), New York, Argentina, Brazil, Siddurim, Mahzorim, Selihot, Kinot, and Haggadot.

*33. **Sefarim 'Ivriyim 'atikim: reshimat sefarim she-nimkeru bi-mekhirot pumbiyot ba-tekfah 1976–1987 = Rare Hebrew books.** ba-'Arikhat Yeshayahu Vinograd; Valia Trionfo. Jerusalem: Society of Judaica Collectors, 1987. 220, 50 p.

This volume, which was prepared by the Institute of Computerized Bibliography and published by The Society of Judaica Collectors, covers books that were sold between 1976 and 1987 at 43 public auctions; over 1400 books are listed. Information given for each book: title, author, place and year of publication in Hebrew and in romanization; name of auction firm, sale date, number of book in sales catalog, condition of book per table (coded 1–5), estimates, closing price, and currency. The list includes Hebrew and English indexes of authors, titles, places, and dates of publication.

Reference (General)

34. **Encyclopaedia Judaica Year Book 1986/7 (Events of 1985/6).** Jerusalem: Keter, 1987. 444 p.

This, the sixth EJ yearbook to appear, contains 18 feature articles. Among the topics included are: Women and Jewish law, Education of Jewish women, Status of women in Israel, Jewish humor, Cults and missionaries, Modern Hebrew calligraphy, Jewish communal life in the U.S., Computers in Jewish life, Modern Orthodoxy, Righteous of the Nations, French Jewry, Falashas, and Jews in Argentina. A diary of events, new articles and updates, necrology, and an index round out this work.

35. **The 1987–88 Jewish Almanac.** Compiled and edited by Ivan L. Tillem. New York: Pacific Press, 1987. 516, 166 p. ISBN 0915399032 (paper); 0915399040 (hardcover).

This is the third edition of the *Almanac*. The first part has over 70 articles divided into 13 categories, including demographics, current issues, Holocaust, Israel, history, institutions, Torah, campus, media, and sports. Among the novel features included in this edition are a Hebrew-English linear Pirke Avot; a digest of Israeli laws, and calendars to the year 2001.

A two-page general index to the articles is included. (The entries for the articles on Jewish War Veterans, and on Jews in China and Nairobi are missing.) The tables of contents of the previous two editions are reproduced; more helpful for users of this reference tool would be a cumulative subject index with specific subdivisions of general headings.

Part 2, the Yellow Pages, is a directory listing 17,000 Jewish communal organizations and commercial establishments in the United States and Canada. (In many cases, the addresses are not up-to-date.) A helpful alphabetical table of contents to the directory is provided which lists the headings—from Advertising agencies to Zionist organizations.

Travel

36. **Bloomfield, Brynna C.** *Traveling Jewish in America: The Complete Guide for Business & Pleasure.* Compiled by Brynna C. Bloomfield and Ellen Chernofsky. 2nd ed., rev. and updated. Lodi, NJ: Wandering You Press, 1987. 472 p. ISBN 0961710411. \$19.95.

Arranged alphabetically by state, the detailed listings cover cities, towns, and resorts. The guide features kosher restaurants, food shops, hotels, motels and other accommodations, synagogues and temples, and mikvehs. The authors provide address and telephone numbers for each establishment listed.

37. **Israelowitz, Oscar.** *Guide to Jewish U.S.A.* Brooklyn, NY: O. Israelowitz, 1987— ISBN 0961103655. \$9.95.

Two volumes have appeared to date: vol. 1 covers the Northeast, and vol. 2, the South. The *Guide* contains brief histories of Jewish settlement in each state as well as background information on Jewish historic landmarks and museums. There are also lists of synagogues, kosher restaurants, hotels, butchers and bakeries, mikvehs, and Chabad Houses. Includes an index.

Women

38. **Cantor, Aviva.** *The Jewish Woman, 1900–1985: A Bibliography.* Annotated by Aviva Cantor, with 1983–1986 citations compiled by Ora Hamelsdorf. Edited by Doris B. Gold and Judith Pearl. 2nd ed. Fresh Meadows, NY: Biblio Press, 1987. 193 p. ISBN 0930395042. \$9.25.

More than 4000 citations are included, with an extensive introduction evaluating trends in writing about Jewish women. Part 1 of the bibliography is a reprint of the first edition published in 1979, with supplements (92 p.). Part 2 covers 1980–1986 (100 p.). The chapters document Jewish women in history; religious life and law; women in the United States, Canada, Israel, and other countries; women in the Holocaust and resistance; and women in poetry. At the end of the bibliography, there is an author index to both parts.

39. **The Jewish Women's Studies Guide.** Compiled by Sue Levi Elwell. 2nd ed. Lanham, MD: University Press of America; Fresh Meadows, NY: Biblio Press, 1987. 142 p. ISBN 0819164127. \$23.75.

First published in 1982, this edition contains an updated collection of course syllabi on the Jewish woman. It includes 18 syllabi classified under the following headings: university courses in Jewish women's studies; integrating Jewish women's studies into the university curriculum; and adult and continuing education courses.

40. **Ruud, Inger Marie.** *Women and Judaism: A Select, Annotated Bibliography.* New York: Garland, 1988. 232 p. ISBN 0824086899.

A selective bibliography of 842 items on women in Judaism, covering monographs, journal articles, essays and articles from collections, and doctoral dissertations, in English, German, French and the Scandinavian languages, but not Hebrew. The majority of works listed were published in this century. The bibliography is arranged alphabetically by author, and is complemented by indexes of countries, subjects, and co-authors. The subject index features broad headings. Under "Women in Halacha," there are, for example, seven references, but under "Marriage" there are sixty. Breaking up the broad categories with subdivisions would have made this index more useful.

The materials cited in this work were collected in libraries in Oslo, Copenhagen, London, and New York. The author is a librarian at the Royal University Library in Oslo, Norway.

Yiddish

41. **Bratkowsky, Joan G.** *Yiddish Linguistics: A Multilingual Bibliography.* New York: Garland, 1988. 407 p. ISBN 0824098048. \$34.

A selective, finely classified bibliography of books and articles in English, Yiddish, and other languages published since 1959 pertaining to Yiddish linguistics and intended for scholarly use. The bibliography supplements Uriel and Beatrice Weinreich's *Yiddish Language And Folklore* (The Hague: Mouton, 1959). The author includes, in addition to general works, materials on the following topics: 1. structure of Yiddish; 2. history of Yiddish; 3. dialectology; 4. interaction of Yiddish with other languages; 5. onomastics; 6. stylistics; 7. semiotics; 8. history of linguistics and biography of linguists; 9. sociolinguistics; 10. psycholinguistics; 11. applied linguistics. Includes a name index.

Hebrew Bibliographic Data

1. **ביבליוגרפיה של כתבי פרופ' שלמה דב גויטיין: השלמות / אברהם הטל.** — ירושלים: מכון בן צבי, תשמ"ז, 1987.

26. **מפתח ל"החינוך":** כתב עת לדברי פדגוגיה ופסיכולוגיה, תר"ע-תשמ"א, כרכים א'-נ"ג ערוך בידי סיני אלכסנדרוביץ. — תל אביב: אוניברסיטת תל אביב, תשמ"ו.

27. **לקסיקון העיתונות העברית במאה XIX** / מנוחה גלבו. — תל אביב: בית-הספר למדעי היהדות ע"ש חיים רוזנברג, אוניברסיטת תל אביב, תשמ"ו. —

32. **עתיקים ונדירים:** מדריך וקטלוג לספרים עבריים עתיקים ונדירים / משה רוזנפלד. — אלון שבות: יו"ל בסיוע קרן "יד שפירא", תשמ"ז.

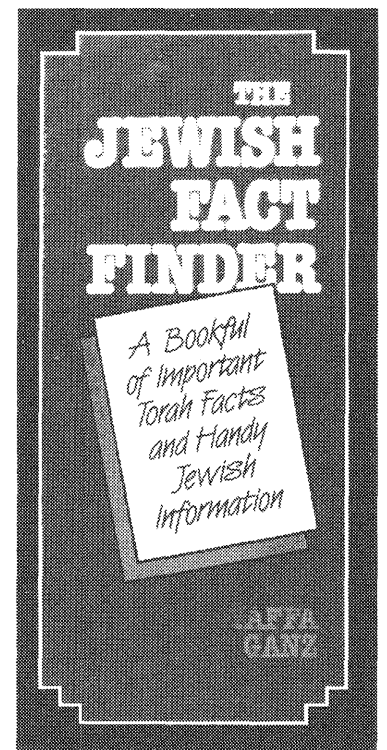
33. **ספרים עבריים עתיקים:** רשימת ספרים שנמכרו במכירות פומביות בתקופה תשל"ו-תשמ"ז, הערכות ומחירים / בעריכת ישעיהו וינוגרד, וליה טריאונפן; הוכן ע"י המכון לביבליוגרפיה ממוחשבת. — ירושלים: אגודת חובבי יודאיקה, תשמ"ח, 1987.

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again. Still, here we are marking the publication of the volume, the second in a series of three, while the third volume is nearing completion, and a fourth—a dictionary of Hebrew printing—is already moving out of the planning stage.

During a *siyum*, the participants recite a prayer in which they say: "Just as You had helped us in completing this tractate, so please help us to begin and finish other tractates and works." On the threshold of my double *siyum*—the publication of *A History and Guide to Judaic Encyclopedias*

The relationship between an author and his work is similar to the relationship between a parent and child.

and Lexicons and the forthcoming conclusion of my close to four decades as a Judaica librarian—I pray that I be granted the privilege to complete the projects I have already begun and to be able to start and finish new ones. All for the sake of *Lilmod U-lelamed*.

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