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The word remains just letters on paper until it is passed through the reader's eyes. Then, the word becomes meaning, feeling, value, and knowledge. For the written word does not exist unless there is an eye to read it, a mind to reflect on it, and a soul to absorb and immerse in it, internalizing it in the details and moments of life.

Although we agree with the common saying that "writing is one of humanity's greatest inventions," this greatness remains dependent on the act of reading. In fact, reading might be the one that grants writing its greatness. If the greatest literary, intellectual, and scientific texts were to be immortalized for centuries and centuries without being read, they would not have had the profound impact that reading, in its various forms, has had on humanity.

This is where libraries come into play, which are no longer just places to store books. They are now spaces for exploration, reading, and for savoring the joy of constructive discussion and dialogue. A library cannot gain its importance solely by the written or digital materials it holds, but also by the number of people who visit it, breathe life into its halls—readers and researchers—who, through their exploration, reading, research, and contemplation of its resources, and through their discussions about it, give it an invaluable worth

TREASURE HUNT CONTEST

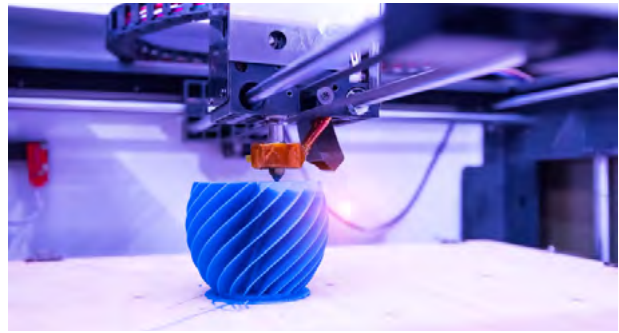
The Deanship of Libraries at the United Arab Emirates University organized a "**Treasure Hunt**" contest at the main library. This interactive educational activity aims to enhance participants' experience in discovering library resources in a fun way, by answering questions and solving puzzles using an interactive map that guides participants to specific locations within the library to explore various books and resources. The contest also aims to enhance research skills, familiarize participants with book classification and the different sections of the library, and encourage collaboration and teamwork among participants.

At the end, the winning team was honored, and a discussion session was held with the participants to evaluate the experience and improve it for the future.



3D PRINTING SERVICE

The Deanship of Libraries announces its readiness to meet your creative needs through the 3D printing service. Library users can now bring their ideas to life by submitting a request for this service via the electronic form available on the main library's website. Whether you are working on a personal project, an educational model, or simply exploring new possibilities, the 3D printing service is the perfect choice, and the specialized team will be available to support you.



PARTICIPATION IN THE OPEN DAY OF THE COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

The Deanship of Libraries participated in the Open Day of the College of Education, which was held in the main hall on February 20, 2025. During the event, the most important resources and services offered by the library to students, faculty, and researchers were showcased. The library includes a rich collection of resources that support all disciplines within the College of Education. The library's booth received a very high level of attendance and a fantastic response from the students. This active participation aims to highlight the library's role in supporting the academic journey of students and researchers.



WAIVER OF MEMBERSHIP FEES FOR EXTERNAL SUBSCRIBERS

As part of the UAEU's initiatives for the Year of Community, and in conjunction with Reading Month, the library membership fees and renewal fees for external subscribers have been waived for one year. This initiative comes as part of the university's commitment to spreading knowledge among various segments of society, considering it an integral part of the community.

READING SESSION FOR PEOPLE OF DETERMINATION

The "Reading Session for People of Determination" event, organized by the Deanship of University Libraries in collaboration with the Moza bint Suhail Center and the Student Happiness Center at UAE University, concluded successfully on April 22, 2025, at the main library building. The event saw strong engagement from attendees and students with determination.

The program featured several segments, most notably a variety of readings in Braille and a special segment titled Minutes with Ghaith Al-Ghafli, a talented student of determination, who spoke about his academic journey and the challenges he and his peers face.

The event also included a workshop titled Artificial Intelligence for Empowering Reading for People of Determination, which contributed to enriching participants' knowledge and enhancing their skills.



DISCUSSION SESSION FOR THE BOOK "WHERE ARE THE MEN?"

As part of the collaboration between the Deanship of Libraries at UAEU and the Kalima Reading Club at the Abu Dhabi Center for the Arabic Language, a discussion session was held for the book "Where Are the Men? Abu Dhabi's Desert Life from the 1930s to the 1960s", a collection of memories narrated by Sheikhha Sabha Mohammed Jaber Al Khaili. The session took place on Monday, February 24, 2025.

The session received great engagement from students, who had previously received copies of the book, read it, and recorded their notes and reflections on its content. The book deeply resonated with them, touching their hearts and souls due to its close connection with history, national identity, and authentic Arab social values.



WORKSHOP ON LEARNING THE BASICS OF SIGN LANGUAGE

On Thursday, February 27, 2025, the Deanship of University Libraries organized a workshop titled Learning the Basics of Sign Language, presented by Dr. Ashraf Mostafa, the College of Education – Department of Special and Gifted Education. The workshop aimed to highlight the importance of sign language as a vital means of communication between the deaf community and the broader society. It facilitates the exchange of knowledge and information, the expression of emotions, and the communication of various needs. Additionally, sign language supports the cognitive, verbal, and gestural development of individuals with hearing and speech impairments.

The workshop attracted a large and diverse audience, including library staff, university faculty, and students.



A WINDOW INTO CHINESE CIVILIZATION: NEW BOOKS ENRICH OUR COLLECTION

As part of an exceptional cultural initiative, the library has received nearly 790 titles of Chinese books as a gift from the China Petroleum and Chemical Corporation (Sinopec) in the Middle East, coordinated between the Deanship of Libraries and the College of Humanities and Social Sciences. These books are currently being processed and will soon be available to users. The collection covers a wide range of topics, including:

- Chinese Language Education: This section includes textbooks, exercise books, dictionaries, and other educational materials suitable for learners at different levels of Chinese proficiency.
- Chinese Stories and Tales: It features illustrated stories, myths, folktales, wisdom stories, and narratives about historical Chinese figures.
- Information About China: These books cover topics related to the geography and wildlife of China.

This initiative aims to promote cultural exchange and provide rich informational resources about Chinese culture and language to the beneficiaries



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