

Dr.S.R.Ranganathan(Shiyali Ramamrita Ranganathan)

The Father of Library Science



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Indian librarian and educator (mathematician) who was considered the father of library science in India and whose contributions had known worldwide. Dr. Ranganathan (1892-1972) was perhaps the greatest librarian of the 20th century. As an educator, librarian, and thinker, his contributions to the field of library science surpassed all others, and placed the country of India permanently on the world library stage. Ranganathan made two indispensable contributions to the library profession: the *Five Laws of Library Science* (1931) and *Colon Classification* (1933).

Five Laws of Library Science

- Books are for use
- Every reader his/her book
- Every book, its reader
- Save the time of the reader
- A library is a growing organism