

Questions

1. Are there many libraries in your area?
2. How often do you go to a library?
3. Do many people still go to libraries in your country?
4. What are some occasions when you would need to visit a library?
5. Did you spend a lot of time in libraries when you were younger?

Please Note:

Our model answers teach you useful language and give you ideas. However, it is not a good idea to try and memorise them and repeat them in the IELTS exam.

used to be = used to + infinitive

to close down = **to shut down** = to close

a lack of = not enough

funding = money

a shame = a disappointing/bad thing

1. Are there many libraries in your area?

Not as many as there **used to be**. Quite a few have **closed down** in recent years. They have **shut down** due to **a lack of funding**. This is **a shame**.



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Very rarely = not very often

to be perfectly honest = honestly

I tend to find = I usually find

rather than going = instead of going

convenient = easier

2. How often do you go to a library?

Very rarely, to be perfectly honest. I tend to find books online rather than going to the library. It's more convenient for me.



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Not that I'm aware of = I don't think so

the older generation = older people

to be not keen on (verb + ing) = to not like

electronic gadgets = phones, laptops etc

a hardback or a paperback book = a book with a cardboard or paper cover

a digital one = a book online

3. Do many people still go to libraries in your country?

Not that I'm aware of. I guess they are more popular with **the older generation** who **are not keen on** using **electronic gadgets** to read books. They prefer to have **a hardback or a paperback book** rather than **a digital one.**



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If I needed a book that was only available in a paperback or a hardback version, then I would need to go to the library = the second conditional

version = type

Other than that = apart from that = except for that

4. What are some occasions when you would need to visit a library?

If I needed a book that was only available in a paperback or a hardback **version**, then I would need to go to the library. **Other than that**, I can't think of a reason or need for me to go.



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Oh yes, absolutely = 100% yes

story time = a regular time at which a story is read aloud to children

such = very

fond memories = happy memories

captivating = very interesting; very exciting

5. Did you spend a lot of time in libraries when you were younger?

Oh yes, absolutely. My mum used to take me to **story time** at the library once a week. I have **such fond memories** of those visits. I used to find the stories so **captivating**.



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