

# RDA Travelogue—Choose Your Own Adventures

## Automation System Decisions

1. Will you continue to display/load/add the GMD?
2. How will you display the 3XX fields (labels, system opportunities and limitations)?
3. How will you display and index the 264 (labels, system opportunities and limitations)?
4. What automated processes need to be adjusted to accommodate RDA?

## Original Cataloging Policies

1. Will you never catalog in RDA, will you only catalog in RDA or will you catalog in both content standards?
2. There is a core level record standard for RDA, for LC and for the PCC. What is your floor?
3. When there are four or more authors in an RDA record, how many access points do you create?
4. Will you allow for different policies for different types of materials?
5. Will you continue to enter ISBD punctuation so long as RDA is in MARC?
6. What do you do about the application of relationship designators?
7. Will you follow OCLC policy that prefers sentence case over all caps, even if the title is in all caps?

## Copy Cataloging Policies

1. When will you be ready to accept RDA records?
2. Will you accept AACR2 records or upgrade them to RDA?
3. What will your copy-cataloging standards be for RDA records?
4. What will you do about capitalization of titles as transcribed?
5. Will the overall quality of the record drive your decision-making regarding whether to accept a record (regardless of the content standard)?
6. What are your cataloging vendors doing regarding RDA?

## Record Upgrade Policies

1. If you are upgrading an AACR2 record, do you upgrade to RDA?
2. If you are upgrading or creating a RDA record that is linked to other titles (former editions, other volumes, earlier or later serial titles, etc.) is it necessary to go back and upgrade the linked titles to RDA?
3. Will you make record changes only in your own catalog, or will you upgrade master records at the network level and share the work?
4. What will you do about capitalization of titles as transcribed?

## Hybrid Record Policies

1. Will you accept hybrid records as-is, or re-describe them fully in RDA?
2. Which RDA enhancements are acceptable to you and which are not?
3. How will hybrid records change your workflow through acquisitions and cataloging?

## Authority Control Policies

1. How will you plan to update a massive number of authority records and their headings?
2. For those with automated authorities processing, how do you flip remaining headings to the current form?
3. How much time and effort should catalogers spend building differentiated NARS?
4. Do you plan on displaying the 678 field to the public [bibliographical or historical note]?
5. How will you manage the changes to conference headings?

## Legacy Data Decisions

1. Are you considering planning a project to hybridize your legacy AACR2 data to be more like RDA records?
2. Are you averse to having RDA headings in AACR2 records after you load an RDA authority record?

## Consortial Issues

1. Do you need to coordinate your decision-making within a consortium?