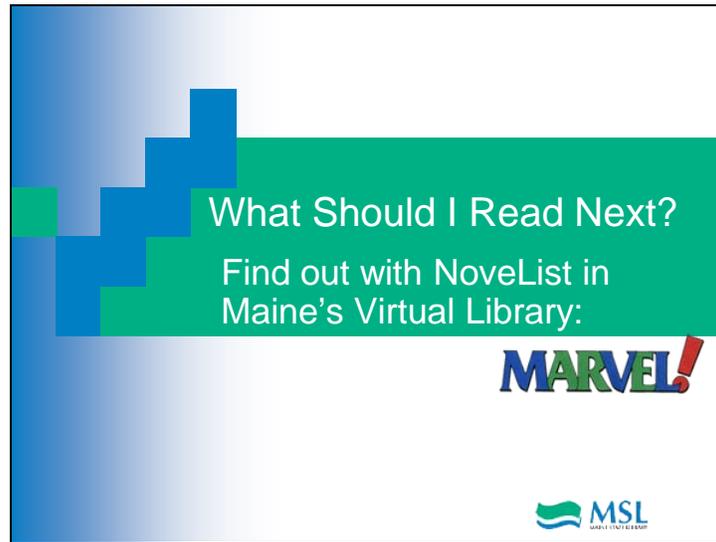


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Welcome to another Maine State Library tutorial. What do you do when you've finished the last James Patterson book in a series? Where do you turn to find another book that reads like Patterson? Use the NoveList group of databases to locate similar authors or find a new series that will delight you as much.

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NoveList Plus

- Subject access to over 100,000 fiction and nonfiction titles.
- Features include articles, book discussion guides, and BookTalks
- Four appeal factor categories: Storyline, Pace, Tone, and Writing Style.



MARVEL provides access to 4 versions of the NoveList databases. NoveList and NoveList K-8 contain only fiction titles. NoveList Plus and NoveList Plus K-8 add non-fiction titles to the mix. If you only want to find fiction, use the NoveList option but if you want to see all the possibilities, use either NoveList Plus database. This tutorial will use the NoveList Plus database but the techniques covered will be useful no matter which version you choose.

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MARVEL! Homepage
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You may also search by subject area on the left, select a resource below 4 - 2, or find journals, magazines and newspapers by title.

A List of Resources Arranged Alphabetically (A-Z)

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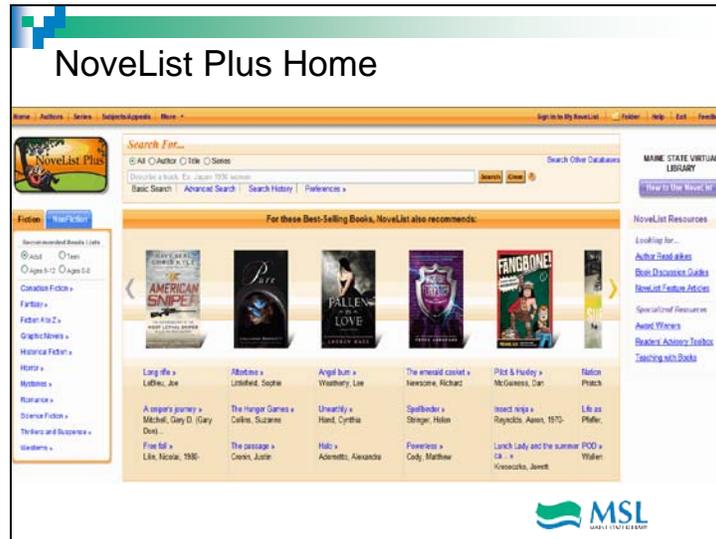
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To access the NoveList Plus database, go to the Marvel homepage and click on 'N'.

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This is the homepage for NoveList Plus. The left side lets you choose recommended reading lists. The right side has links to resources to help you use NoveList Plus. The center contains the search box. Below that are popular titles with suggested read-alikes. We'll go through each of these areas so let's start on the left side.

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The recommended reads lists make finding your next book a snap. The fiction option at the top is the default. You'll see it as a yellow gold tab. If you are interested in non-fiction, click on the blue tab. Next, choose the age range you're looking for. Finally, choose the genre, or category, you're interested in. When you click on Mysteries, for example, another menu further refining the category pops up. Choose one of the selections to get to a list of titles as shown in the next slide.

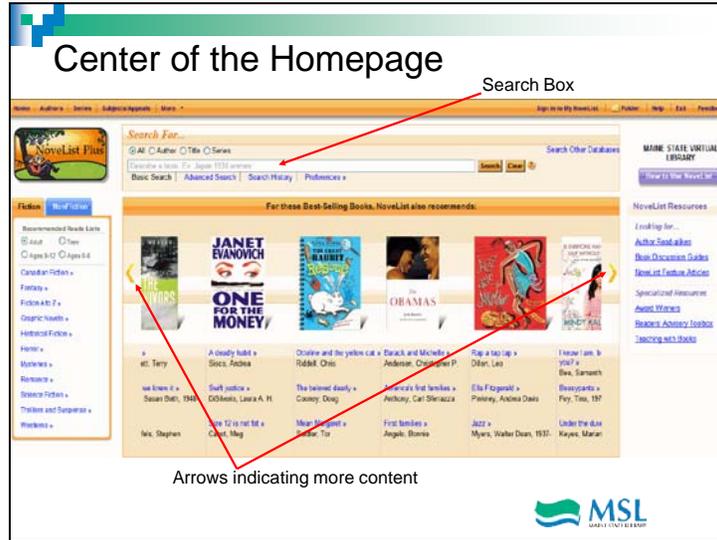
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Right Side Navigation

The screenshot displays the Maine State Virtual Library homepage. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for Home, Authors, Series, Subjects/Subjects, and More. Below this is a search bar with the text 'Search For...' and a search button. To the right of the search bar is a link for 'Online Help'. On the left side, there is a 'Fiction' menu with various sub-categories like 'Recommended Reads Lists', 'Audiobooks', 'Graphic Novels', and 'Historical Fiction'. The main content area features a 'Resources' section with a grid of book covers and titles, including 'ONE FOR THE MONEY' by Janet Evanovich and 'OBAMAS'. On the right side, there is a 'Maine State Virtual Library' logo and a 'NovelList Resources' section with links for 'Author Read-alikes', 'Book Discussion Guides', and 'NovelList Feature Articles'. A red circle highlights the 'Maine State Virtual Library' logo, and a red arrow points to the 'Resources' section.

We've returned to the homepage. On the right side, you'll find resources such as author read-alikes, book discussion guides and more. Online help with using this resource is just a click away here too.

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Now, let's talk about the main part of the homepage. At the top center, you'll find the search box. You can search by author, title or series. Below the search box is a display of cover art from currently popular books with recommendations for similar books. Notice the arrows on the right and left indicating more recommendations.



NoveList Plus Summary

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Use NoveList Plus to:

- Track down the next book in a series
- Identify other books by an author
- Identify books that 'read like' a particular author
- Get ideas for book discussions



We hope you've enjoyed this brief tour of NoveList Plus. It's a great tool to answer the age old question "What should I read next?"