

Everything is Miscellaneous Book Club questions

For those attending this Wednesday's Lunch with LAUC-I, below are some questions to get you thinking about this book as it relates to libraries.

If you have had questions yourself about the book, please feel free to send them to me. I'll compile them and we can use them as discussion points on Wednesday too.

1. How would you define miscellaneous?
2. Examples of librarianship abound in *Everything is Miscellaneous*, from the Dewey Decimal System, Library of Congress Subject Headings, Ranganathan, to the dedication. Do you agree with Weinberger's analysis of libraries/librarians?
3. For Weinberger, the "third order of order" is where content is digitized into bits . . . and this third order of order "removes the limitations we've assumed were inevitable in how we organize information."

Given this upcoming digital world, do you think Weinberger believes that libraries will remain relevant? What do you think libraries can do to remain relevant in this new environment?

4. Sites like Flickr, Amazon, and Digg are examples of Web sites that utilize this third order of order. Weinberger advocates tagging, creating playlists, and other strategies as the future of discovering information, for "the solution to the overabundance of information is more information." (13). Do you agree with this statement? Why?

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