

A “Phoenix Schedule” for the Dewey “200s” – Suggested in particular for Bahá’í Libraries

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Melvil Dewey first proposed the classification that bears his name in 1876. It is still the most widely used library subject classification in the world - although many large, general libraries (most notably those attached to universities) prefer the classification used by the United States Library of Congress (LC), while highly specialised libraries of various kinds often use their own schemes.

DDC is (as might be expected after 125 years!) very old fashioned in many respects - but it has the great advantage over LC of having been conceived as a unified whole by an undoubted genius, rather than having grown like topsy out of a hodgepodge of ad hoc decisions by ordinary librarians; and the great advantage over specialised schemes of being instantly familiar to librarians and library users all over the world.

DDC is now in its 21st edition - which is of course many times larger than the original (42 page) proposal. Over the years, it has been changed in two basic ways. The first method has been to expand existing schedules to accommodate new subjects. The simple “decimal” notation used by DDC is admirably adapted to this procedure, up to a point. Eventually new numbers become very long indeed, and ultimately, of course, they become unworkably long. This is most noticeable in the “500s” and “600s” - (science and technology) where many new subjects have arisen since 1876.

The other method has been to simply scrap a whole section of the classification that is palpably out of date and insert an entirely new schedule. The Dewey people themselves have called this kind of thing a “Phoenix Schedule” (after the legendary bird born anew out of the flames). The current section for music is a fairly recent example.

What is different about this particular “Phoenix” is that it is NOT an official,

standard “Dewey” bird, but a “foreign exotic” - designed, at least initially, for a particular library.

The original Dewey scheme divided all knowledge into nine major classes (plus a tenth class for “miscellaneous” subjects that did not fit easily into any of the other classes). Each major class received a block of one hundred numbers. Initially Dewey considered a thousand different subjects would be plenty, in fact his scheme was very widely criticised at the time for being too detailed!

The block of numbers between 200 and 299 were reserved for “Religion”. In comparison with the 500s (“science”) and 600s (“technology”) - the Dewey 200s have NOT grown spectacularly over the years – in fact, they remain relatively close to Dewey’s original outline. And yet, time has caught up with the Dewey 200s too!

In 1876, Melvil Dewey was very properly concerned with the needs of the particular library for which he was responsible, for other libraries in the United States, and, perhaps, other English speaking countries.

In the world as he knew it, or at least in the world in which he envisioned his classification being used, “religion” meant Christianity.

In spite of praiseworthy attempts over the years by the publishers of the scheme to improve DDC’s coverage of at least some non-Christian religions, the resulting fundamental bias, excusable as it is in historical context, limits the value of the Dewey 200s, and thus of DDC as a whole, for any library concerned with “religion” in anything but a narrowly Christian sense, and particularly for a Bahá’í library.

Here is a copy of the official “Second Summary” of the Dewey 200s:

200	Religion
210	Philosophy and theory of religion
220	Bible
230	Christian theology
240	Christian moral and devotional theology
250	Christian orders and local church
260	Social and ecclesiastical theology
270	History of Christianity and Christian church
280	Christian denominations and sects
290	Comparative religion and other religions

- Apart from the 210s (basically, “religion in general”) and the 290s (reserved for “comparative religion” as well as all “other” religions - i.e. those “other” than Christianity) the numbers are all reserved for Christian topics!
- In fact there is really no specific number for Christianity at all, unless we take “230” as the general Christian number. BUT this comes AFTER

“220” (the Bible), which is surely an aspect of Christianity, rather than an independent subject, even though some Jewish scripture finds a place in the Old Testament. Very simply, “religion” is considered to be the same thing as Christianity, and, even worse, Christianity the same thing as religion!

- Finally – the Bahá’í Faith not only nestles in an obscure corner of the 290s – it *still*, after years of complaint from the Bahá’í community, has a number that clearly implies that it is a sect of Islam!

Nor is this the worst of it! Because of the piecemeal way in which the schedules for the Dewey 200s have evolved there are in fact four different arrangements used for particular religions. First there is Christianity – which, as we have seen, sprawls over 80% of the available number base. The overall arrangement is firmly based in Melvil Dewey’s first thoughts on the subject – and is frankly rather poor. Then there are the schedules for Christianity’s close relatives, Judaism and Islam. These are later, and overall rather more sensibly arranged. They are however quite different from the Christian arrangement, and from each other. Finally there are all the real “others” – originally lacking any kind of subdivision at all. These have been given a standard, fairly sensible, but unfortunately far from comprehensive arrangement – that is, once more, different.

To illustrate the effect of this inconsistency – here is an entry from the alphabetical index to standard DDC:

Prayers (Private devotions)	291.433
Buddhism	294.344 33
Christianity	242
Hinduism	294.543 3
Islam	297.382 4
Sufi	297.438 24
Judaism	296.45

“Private prayer” is indicated for comparative religion, and some particular religions as “-433” but this is far from consistent - within the schedule for Islam, for instance, it is evidently “-3824”, in Judaism “-45”. There is no way for the library user to work out where to find works on private prayer in a particular religion – and in fact even for the cataloguer it is far fiddlier than it need be!

To summarise the position - in “fixing” the Dewey 200s, - so that a Bahá’í library can make effective use of this great classification - we face three problems:

- The basic outline of the scheme at this point is grossly biased towards one religion. Even for a library in an entirely “Christian” country this is rather poor – for a country where other religions form an important part of the local culture it is obviously intolerable.

- The subdivision of the different religions is inconsistent. This makes the scheme unnecessarily hard to follow for both cataloguer and user.
- The Faith (and, far from unimportantly, most other “Non-Christian” religions as well) are either not covered at all, or very badly covered.

To be fair – the problem of Christian bias in the Dewey 200s has been recognised for many years: even the Dewey people themselves (OCLC Forest Press) would not go so far as to say that the standard form of the Dewey 200s would be suitable for (say) a library in a Muslim country. A suggestion made in old editions of DDC to alleviate this problem was that for such a library, a special, “private” schedule should be inserted for the “home religion”. For instance, such a schedule has been prepared for the Bahá'í World Centre Library, which is to be inserted before the regular 200s, at B200, and lists specifically Bahá'í topics. It should be noted that the BWC do not use this schedule themselves, preferring the LC classification to Dewey.

The great drawback of using an extra “pre-location” schedule like this is that one is still stuck with the regular Dewey 200s for all religions except one's own! For a Bahá'í library, in particular, this leaves several of our primary objections intact.

In fact, this suggestion no longer forms part of DDC. Instead, Edition 21 proposes a series of options to “give preferred treatment or shorter numbers to a religion other than Christianity”. These, to a large extent, simply replace the Christian bias of Dewey with a similar bias toward another religion! This is, of course, fundamentally opposed to the Bahá'í principle of the oneness of religion, but it is also inconsistent with the universal intent of the Dewey classification as a whole. To an even greater extent than the old idea of the special “prelocated” schedule, these options displace, but do not remove, the fundamental flaw in the current Dewey 200s.

The idea of a Phoenix schedule is of course “Burn it, and let a new one be born”. The new outline follows the theories of the great Indian mathematician and librarian Ranganathan – in that it classifies by one thing at once – in this case “religious system”. Something like this:

- 200 Comparative religion, works concerned with several religions**
- 210 Tribal, folk, quasi religions and historical religion**
- 213 Religions of pre-literate peoples, folk religion**
- 215 Ethnic and localised religion**
- 216 Anti religions, cults, quasi religions**
- 217 Historical religions**
- 222 Hinduism**
- 223 Jainism**
- 226 Sikhism**

- 228 Buddhism**
- 233 Confucianism**
- 235 Taoism**
- 244 Shinto**
- 250 Zoroastrianism**
- 260 Judaism**
- 270 Christianity**
- 280 Islam**
- 290 Bahá'í Faith**

Our allocation of numbers still cannot be absolutely even-handed, in that the “Middle Eastern” religions are defined by two digits, the major “Far Eastern” ones by three, and the others by five or more. Something like this is forced on us by the fact that there are only nine digits in our numbering system – and more than nine religions. Overall, however, the improvement is obvious.

Many topics will mean something rather different in the context of the various religions – but since the different religions amount to differing perspectives on, and answers to, the same set of questions – the outline, at least, of a classification of one religion can be applied to any other. It is hard to escape the conclusion that Mr. Dewey himself would have wanted it done this way, at the beginning of the 21st century.

The following is our equivalent index entry to the standard Dewey one considered above:

Prayers (Private devotions)	[-833]
(examples)	
Buddhism	228.833
Christianity	278.33
Comparative religion	208.33
Hinduism	222.833
Islam	288.33
Sufism	288.538 33
Judaism	268.33

Not all topics apply to all religions – for instance, a religion might conceivably forbid personal prayer – in this case the relevant number is simply not used. Nor will a particular topic (or number) necessarily have exactly the same meaning in the context of another religion. None the less, a subject common to more than one religion has the same number, regardless of the religion concerned – and is thus arranged on the shelf in the same relation to other topics.

Many other topics – such as specific holy days, scriptural books, or idiosyncratic doctrines are not common to all religions, but are still grouped under the same common heading in each religion. For instance:

Scripture (examples)	[-4]
Bahá'í scripture	294
Buddhist scripture	228.4
Christian scripture	274
Hindu scripture	222.4
Muslim scripture	284
Jewish scripture	264

The “4” in each case is followed by “non-common” notation to specify the particular Holy Book involved. Thus the Bhagavad Gita is classed at 222.455, with other examples of Hindu scripture - St. Luke's Gospel at 274.4726, The Kitab-i-Aqdas at 294.54.K6.

After a good deal of consultation with Bahá'í librarians around the world – especially Mr William Collins – who was responsible for setting up the Bahá'í World Centre Library in Haifa, this Phoenix schedule is nearing completion – at least to the stage that it could be applied to a Bahá'í library. In fact the ultimate intent is that it be brought up to a standard that any library could “slot it in” to the regular Dewey Decimal Scheme, to improve their arrangement of religious materials.

290 The Bahá'í Faith

Class encyclopaedias and other fully comprehensive works on the Bahá'í Faith at 290. Class works on Bábism as a separate entity at 292.72 – OR alternatively at 282.76.

General division of this subject follows the pattern set by 201-209. In contradistinction to the schedules for some other religions, however, this schedule is set out more or less complete. In the rather unlikely event that a subject be required that is not specifically enumerated below, but does occur in 201-209, it should be built by adding to the base number 29 notation following 20 in 201-209.

291 General introductions, apologetics, comparisons

.3 General introductions to the Bahá'í Faith

Class comprehensive works, encyclopaedias etc. at 290.

Class works on the faith in particular countries in 292.6.

.33 Anecdotal autobiography

For instance, “God loves laughter”. Class “serious” biography and

autobiography written for purposes other than introducing the Faith in an appropriate number under 293.

4 Value of the Bahá'í Faith

.43 Apologies, proofs.

.48 Works attacking the Faith (polemics).

Class works written by covenant breakers under 292.7 – works written from the point of view of a particular religion, either under the religion of the author – or, optionally, and especially for a Bahá'í library, under 291.6

.6 Other religions from a Bahá'í perspective

To the base number 291.6 add notation following 2 in 200 that serves to define the religion to which the Faith is compared – see the examples below.

.622 The Bahá'í Faith and Hinduism

.628 The Bahá'í Faith and Buddhism

.67 The Bahá'í Faith and Christianity

.68 The Bahá'í Faith and Islam

Include here other religions considered or discussed in the light of the Faith, and works on relations between Faith and other religions. Also (optionally, but especially in a Bahá'í library) use for apologies for (and attacks on) the Faith in relation to the teachings of a particular religion.

.7 The Bahá'í Faith compared or opposed to other (secular) subjects

Add to the base number 291.7 the Dewey class number for the subject concerned (without trailing zeros or decimal points).

291.7 numbers refer to treatment of a subject (in a general way) from a Bahá'í standpoint. For instance, use 291.75 for “The Bahá'í Faith and science” in a general sense, BUT prefer 295.414 for the unity of science and religion as a Bahá'í principle. 291.765 might be used for “General administration from a Bahá'í standpoint” BUT use 299.1 for “Bahá'í administration”. Use 291.737 for “The Bahá'í Faith and education” BUT Education in the faith (i.e. deepening) is 298.7. *If the distinction is NOT a useful one* - prefer the specific number to the 291.7 one. Another alternative, which will quite often apply, is simply to class the work in question with its own subject, outside the 200s! In particular, avoid classing a work here simply because its author happens to be Bahá'í, or because it includes a few references to the Faith.

In any case, do *not* class specific religious teachings at this point – use a heading under 295.

See also the note at 201.7

292 Historical and geographical treatment of the Bahá'í Faith

.5 General Bahá'í history

Class history of particular subject with the subject - e.g. history of teaching at 299.8. Class history of the Faith in particular countries (*apart from history belonging to a particular period*) in "292.6". Class Bahá'í biography in 293.

.52 Heroic age (up to 1921)

.522 Preparation for revelation (Pre-1844)

.522 5 Shaykhis

.523 Ministry of the Báb (1844-1853)

.524 Ministry of Bahá'u'lláh (1853-1892)

.524 2 Baghdad period (1853-1863)

.524 3 Constantinople/Adrianople (1863-1868)

.524 4 'Akká period (1868-1877)

.524 5 Mazra'ih/Bahjí period (1877-1892)

.525 Ministry of 'Abdu'l-Bahá (1892-1921)

.53 Formative age (1921-)

.533 Guardianship of Shoghi Effendi (1921-1957)

.534 Stewardship of the Hands (1957-1963)

.535 From election of U.H.J. (1963-)

.6 The Bahá'í Faith in particular places, countries, geographic regions

Add to the base number 292.6 notation 4-9 from Table 2 – as in the following examples:

.652 The Faith in Japan

.68 The Faith in Latin America

.694 The Faith in Australia

If a work treats the history of a particular period in a particular country (say, the faith in Japan during the guardianship of Shoghi Effendi) *then class with the period rather the country*. In particular, DO NOT use "292.655" (the faith in Iran) or "292.656" (the faith in the Middle East) for the early history of the faith!

.7 Covenant breakers etc

Include here literature produced by particular covenant breaking groups, if held, as well as works written from a mainstream Bahá'í standpoint. Works on the *general* subject of covenant breaking are classed at 298.13.

.72 Disputing station of Bahá'u'lláh

Class here all Bábis post 1853 – or, alternatively, class Bábism at 282.76.

.72.A8 Azalis

Use Cutter numbers for specific covenant breakers and covenant breaking groups, as here, under appropriate classification.

.74 Disputing station of 'Abdu'l-Bahá

.76 Disputing station of the Guardian

.76.F3 Free Bahá'ís

.78 Disputing the authority of Institutions

.78.B6 Baha'is under the protection of the covenant

.78.O7 Orthodox Bahá'ís

293 Biography of (and general works about):

For 293.05 and 293.5 - 293.9 use Cutter numbers for specific people

.05 Precursors of the Faith

.1 The Báb

.2 Bahá'u'lláh

Short works about Bahá'u'lláh primarily intended as an introduction to, or as an apology for, the Bahá'í Faith – are best gathered under "291.3" or "291.4".

.3 'Abdu'l-Bahá

.4 The Guardian

.5 Hands of the Cause of God

.6 Knights of Bahá'u'lláh

.7 Martyrs

.8 Other Bahá'ís

.9 Non-Bahá'ís relevant to Bahá'í history

294 The Writings (Holy books, scripture and quasi scripture)

Note that headings for 294.1 to 294.3 are used repeatedly for 294.4 - 294.9

Class the reading of scripture as an aspect of religious life at 298.3

.1 Works about Bahá'í holy books and scriptures

.11 Authorship, origins, authenticity

.12 Inspiration – revelation

.123 Infallibility of scripture

.13 Concordances

.15 Textual studies

.16 Study - scriptural criticism (Exegesis)

.164 Symbolisms & typology

.165 Harmonies

.166 Literary criticism

.167 Historical criticism

.17 Commentaries

.18 Secular subjects in Bahá'í scripture

Add to the base number 294.18 the Dewey class number for the subject concerned (without trailing zeros or decimal points). Thus, "Medicine in Bahá'í scripture" becomes 294.1861

.19 History of scripture

.195 History of translations

.2 General collections of scriptural works**.3 Special collections****.32 Collections compiled for a specific purpose**

.322 Collections compiled for specific classes of reader

.322.3 Young people

Include here stories from Holy writings retold for children

.325 Prayers

OR, perhaps, prefer 298.3 for prayer books of all kinds

.326 Personal devotions

.327 For feasts and/or holy days

Add to the base number 294.327 the notation following 297 – for example: Scriptural readings for Ridvan 294.3276

.328 For deepenings etc.

Add to the base number 294.328 the numbers following 298.75. For example Scripture for deepening new believers: 294.32873

Note that collections of scripture prepared for deepenings *on a particular subject* should be classed at 294.34 rather than here

.33 Collections linked by form (e.g. "Tablets")**.34 Collections linked by subject (e.g. "Love")****.36 Collections linked by date or period**

Add to the base number 294.36 the notation following 292.52 to define the period.

.4 Works of (or recorded teachings of) the Báb**.41 Works ABOUT the writings of the Báb**

Add to base numbers 294.41, 294.43 notation following 294.1, 294.3

.42 General Collections**.43 Special Collections****.44 Specific works revealed by the Báb**

(Arranged alphabetically, using Cutter numbers - as follows)

.44.B3 Bayán, Arabic

.44.B5 Bayán, Persian

.44.D3 Dala'il-i-Sab'ih

.44.K3 Khasa'il-Sab'ih

.44.K5 Kitab-i-Asma'

.44.K7 Kitab-i-Panj-Sha'n

.44.K9 Kitabu'r-Ruh

.44.L32 Lawh-i-Haji Mirza Aqasi

.44.L34 Lawh-i-Hurufat

.44.L36 Lawh-i-Muhammad Shah

.44.Q3 Qayyumu'l-Asma' (Ahsanu'l-Qisas)

.44.R3 Risaliy-i-'Adliyyih

.44.R4 Risaliy-i-Dhahabiyyih

.44.R5 Risaliy-i-Fiqhiyyih

.44.R6 Risaliy-i-Furu'-i-'Adliyyih

.44.S2 Sahifatu'l-Haramayn

.44.S3 Sahifiy-i-Ja'fariyyih

.44.S4 Sahifiy-i-Makhdhumiyyih

.44.S5 Sahifiy-i-Radaviyyih

.44.S8 Suriy-i-Tawhid

.44.T3 Tafsir-i-Nubuvvat-i-Khassih

.44.Z5 Ziyarat-i-Shah 'Abdu'l-Azim

.5 Works of (or recorded teachings of) Bahá'u'lláh**.51 Works ABOUT the writings of Bahá'u'lláh**

Add to base numbers 294.51, 294.53 notation following 294.1, 294.3

.52 General Collections**.53 Special Collections****.54 Specific works revealed by Bahá'u'lláh**

(Arranged alphabetically, using Cutter numbers - as follows)

.54.A3 Alvah-i-Laylatu'l-Quds

.54.A5 Asl-i-Kullu'l-Khayr (Words of Wisdom)

.54.A9 Az Bagh-i-Ilahi

.54.B2 Baz-Av-i-Bidih-Jami

.54.B4 Bisharat (Glad Tidings)

.54.C4 Chihar Vadi (Four Valleys)

.54.H3 Haft Vadi (Seven Valleys)

.54.H4 Halih Ya Bisharat

.54.H7 Hur-i-'Ujab

.54.H8 Hurufat-i-Allin

.54.I7 Ishraqat

.54.K2 Kalimat-i-Firdawsiiyyih (Words of Paradise)

.54.K3 Kalimat-i-Maknuniyih (Hidden Words)

.54.K4 Kitab-i-'Ahd

.54.K6 Kitab-i-Aqdas (Most Holy Book)

.54.K7 Kitab-i-Badi'

- .54.K8 Kitab-i-Iqan
- .54.L12 Lawh-i-'Abdul'l-'Aziz va Vukala
- .54.L13 Lawh-i-'Abdul'l-Vahhab
- .54.L14 Lawh-i-'Abdu'r Razzaq
- .54.L15 Lawh-i-Ahbab
- .54.L16 Lawh-i-Ahmad (Tablet of Ahmad)
- .54.L17 Lawh-i-Amraj
- .54.L18 Lawh-i-Anta'l-Kafi (Long Healing Prayer)
- .54.L19 Lawh-i-Aqdas
- .54.L22 Lawh-i-Ashraf
- .54.L23 Lawh-i-Ashiq va Ma'shuq
- .54.L24 Lawh-i-Ayiy-i-Nur
- .54.L25 Lawh-i-Baha
- .54.L26 Lawh-i-Baqa
- .54.L27 Lawh-i-Basitatu'l-Haqiqah
- .54.L28 Lawh-i-Bismilih
- .54.L29 Lawh-i-Bulbulu'l-Firaq
- .54.L32 Lawh-i-Burhan
- .54.L33 Lawh-i-Dunya
- .54.L34 Lawh-i-Fitnih
- .54.L35 Lawh-i-Ghulamu'l-Khuld
- .54.L36 Lawh-i-Habib
- .54.L37 Lawh-i-Haft Pursish
- .54.L38 Lawh-i-Hajj
- .54.L39 Lawh-i-Hawdaj
- .54.L42 Lawh-i-Hikmat
- .54.L43 Lawh-i-Hirtik
- .54.L44 Lawh-i-Huriyyih
- .54.L45 Lawh-i-Husayn
- .54.L46 Lawh-i-Ibn-i-Dhi'b (Epistle to the Son of the Wolf)
- .54.L47 Lawh-i-Ittihad
- .54.L48 Lawh-i-Jamal
- .54.L49 Lawh-i-Karim
- .54.L52 Lawh-i-Karmil (Tablet of Carmel)
- .54.L53 Lawh-i-Kullu't-Ta'am
- .54.L54 Lawh-i-Malikh (Tablet to Queen Victoria)
- .54.L55 Lawh-i-Malik-i-Rus (Tablet to Czar Alexander II)
- .54.L56 Lawh-i-Mallahu'l-Quds (Tablet of the Holy Mariner)
- .54.L57 Lawh-i-Manikji Sahib
- .54.L58 Lawh-i-Maqsud
- .54.L59 Lawh-i-Maryam
- .54.L62 Lawh-i-Mawhid
- .54.L63 Lawh-i-Mubahilih
- .54.L64 Lawh-i-Napulyun I (First Tablet to Napoleon III)
- .54.L65 Lawh-i-Napulyun II (Second Tablet to Napoleon III)
- .54.L66 Lawh-i-Nasir
- .54.L67 Lawh-i-Nuqtih
- .54.L68 Lawh-i-Pap (Tablet to Pope Pius IX)
- .54.L69 Lawh-i-Pisar 'Amm
- .54.L72 Lawh-i-Qina'
- .54.L73 Lawh-i-Quds
- .54.L74 Lawh-i-Rafi'
- .54.L75 Lawh-i-Ra'is
- .54.L76 Lawh-i-Raqsha
- .54.L77 Lawh-i-Rasul
- .54.L78 Lawh-i-Ruh
- .54.L79 Lawh-i-Ru'ya
- .54.L82 Lawh-i-Sahab
- .54.L83 Lawh-i-Salman I
- .54.L84 Lawh-i-Salman II
- .54.L85 Lawh-i-Samsun
- .54.L86 Lawh-i-Sayyah
- .54.L87 Lawh-i-Shaykh Fani
- .54.L88 Lawh-i-Sultan
- .54.L89 Lawh-i-Tawhid
- .54.L92 Lawh-i-Tibb
- .54.L93 Lawh-i-Tuqa
- .54.L94 Lawh-i-Yusuf
- .54.L95 Lawh-i-Zaynu'l-Muqarrabin
- .54.L96 Lawh-i-Ziyarih
- .54.M2 Madinatu'r-Rida
- .54.M3 Madinatu't-Tawhid
- .54.M4 Mathnavi
- .54.M8 Munajathay-i-Siyam
- .54.Q2 Qad-Ihtaraqa'l-Mukhlisun (Fire Tablet)
- .54.Q3 Qasidiy-i-Varaqa'iyiyih
- .54.R3 Rashh-i-'Ama
- .54.R5 Ridvanu'l-'Adl
- .54.R6 Ridvanu'l-Iqrar
- .54.S2 Sahifiy-i-Shattiyyih
- .54.S3 Salat-i-Mayyit
- .54.S4 Saqi Az Ghayb-i-Baqa

.54.S5 Shikkar Shikan Shavand
 .54.S6 Subhana Rabbiya'l-'Ala
 .54.S7 Subhanika Ya Hu
 .54.S8 Suratu'llah
 .54.S911 Suriy-i- Ahzan
 .54.S913 Suriy-i-Amin
 .54.S915 Suriy-i-Amr
 .54.S917 Suriy-i-A'rab
 .54.S919 Suriy-i-Ashab
 .54.S921 Suriy-i-Asma
 .54.S923 Suriy-i-Bayan
 .54.S925 Suriy-i-Damm
 .54.S927 Suriy-i-Dhabih
 .54.S929 Suriy-i-Dhibh
 .54.S931 Suriy-i-Dhikr
 .54.S933 Suriy-i-Fadl
 .54.S935 Suriy-i-Fath
 .54.S937 Suriy-i-Fu'ad
 .54.S939 Suriy-i-Ghusn (Tablet of the Branch)
 .54.S941 Suriy-i-Hajj I
 .54.S943 Suriy-i-Hajj II
 .54.S945 Suriy-i-Haykal
 .54.S947 Suriy-i-Hifz
 .54.S949 Suriy-i-Hijr
 .54.S951 Suriy-i-'Ibad
 .54.S953 Suriy-i-Ism
 .54.S955 Suriy-i-Ismuna'l-Mursil
 .54.S957 Suriy-i-Javad
 .54.S959 Suriy-i-Khitab
 .54.S961 Suriy-i-Ma'ani
 .54.S93 Suriy-i-Man'
 .54.S965 Suriy-i-Muluk (Tablet of the Kings)
 .54.S967 Suriy-i-Nida
 .54.S969 Suriy-i-Nush
 .54.S971 Suriy-i-Qadir
 .54.S973 Suriy-i-Qahir
 .54.S975 Suriy-i-Qalam
 .54.S977 Suriy-i-Qamis
 .54.S979 Suriy-i-Sabr
 .54.S981 Suriy-i-Sultan
 .54.S983 Suriy-i-Vafa
 .54.S985 Suriy-i-Ziyarih

.54.S987 Suriy-i-Zubur
 .54.S989 Suriy-i-Zuhur
 .54.T2 Tafsir-i-Hu
 .54.T3 Tafsir-i-Hurufat-i-Maqatta'ih
 .54.T4 Tafsir-i-Suriy-i-Va'sh-Shams
 .54.T5 Tajalliyat
 .54.T6 Tarazat
 .54.Z3 Ziyarat-namih (Tablet of Visitation)
 .54.Z4 Ziyarat-namiy-i-Awliya
 .54.Z5 Ziyarat-namiy-i-Bábu'l-Báb va Quddus
 .54.Z6 Ziyarat-namiy-i-Bayt
 .54.Z7 Ziyarat-namiy-i-Maryam
 .54.Z8 Ziyarat-namiy-i-Siyyidu'sh-Shuhada

.6 Works of (or recorded teachings of) 'Abdu'l-Bahá

.61 Works ABOUT the writings of 'Abdu'l-Bahá

Add to base numbers 294.61, 294.63 notation following 294.1, 294.3

.62 General Collections

.63 Special Collections

.64 Specific works revealed by 'Abdu'l-Bahá

(Arranged alphabetically, using Cutter numbers - as follows)

.64.A5 Alvah-i-Tablighiy-Imrika (Tablets of the Divine plan)
 .64.A6 Alvah-i-Vasaya (Will and Testament)
 .64.L12 Lawh-i-Aflakiyyih
 .64.L14 Lawh-i-'Ahd va Mithaq
 .64.L16 Lawh-i-'Ammih
 .64.L18 Lawh-i-Ayat
 .64.L22 Lawh-i-Du Niday-i-Falah va Najah
 .64.L24 Lawh-i-Duktur Fural (Tablet to Dr. Forel)
 .64.L26 Lawh-i-Haft Sham'
 .64.L28 Lawh-i-Hizat Bayti
 .64.L32 Lawh-i-Khurasan
 .64.L34 Lawh-i-Lahih
 .64.L36 Lawh-i-Mahfil-i-Shawr
 .64.L38 Lawh-i-Muhabbat
 .64.L42 Lawh-i-Tanzih va Taqdis
 .64.L44 Lawh-i-Tarbiyat
 .64.M3 Madaniyyih (Secret of Divine Civilization)
 .64.M4 Maqality-i-Sayyah (Traveller's Narrative)
 .64.M8 Mufavidat (Some Answered Questions)
 .64.S3 Sharh-i-Fass-i-Nigin-i-Ism-i-A'zam
 .64.S4 Sharh-i-Shuhaday-i-Yazd va Isfahan

- .64.S5 Siyasiyyih
- .64.T2 Tadhkiratu'l-Vafa (Memorials of the Faithful)
- .64.T3 Tafsir-i-Bismi'Ilahi'r-Rahmani'r-Rahim
- .64.T4 Tafsir-i-Kuntu Kanzan Makhfiyyan
- .64.Z5 Ziyarat-namih (Tablet Of Visitation)

.7 Other authoritative Bahá'í writings

Include here only writings with a “quasi-scriptural” authority. 294.72 – 294.78 naturally follow the same pattern as 294.71.

.71 Works of (or recorded teachings of) Shoghi Effendi

- .711 Works ABOUT the writings of Shoghi Effendi

Add to base numbers 294.711, 294.713 notation following 294.1, 294.3

- .712 General Collections
- .713 Special Collections
- .714 Specific works revealed by Shoghi Effendi

Where appropriate – use Cutter numbers for *specific works* of Shoghi Effendi, as for the Báb, Bahá'u'lláh and 'Abdu'l-Bahá.

.72 Works of Hands of the Cause of God

.73 Messages from, rulings by the U.H.J.

Add to base numbers 294.731, 294.733 notation following 294.1, 294.3

.75 Recognised rulings by N.S.A.s

.76 “ “ “ L.S.A.s

.78 Recognised rulings by other Administrative bodies

295 The Teachings (God, ethics, principles)

[.0 Schools and kinds of theology]

Do not use 295.0 – class all “deviant” Bahá'í works under 292.7 (covenant breakers).

.1 God

.11 Oneness of God

Class Bahá'í discussions or refutations of Trinitarian, polytheistic, pantheistic etc. conceptions of God under 295.11 – adding to the base number 295.11 notation following 205.11 as appropriate.

.12 Existence, knowability, attributes of God

.121 Existence of God

- .121 2 Proofs
- [.121 3 Agnosticism]
- [.121 5 Atheism]

Do NOT use 295.1213 or 295.1215. Class Bahá'í discussions, refutations of atheism, agnosticism at 291.61633, 291.61634.

.123 Knowability of God

- .123 1 Unknowable in essence
- .123 2 Knowable through logic
- .123 4 Knowable through faith
- .123 6 Knowable through tradition
- .123 8 Acceptance through revelation by manifestations

.125 Attributes of God

- .125 2 Goodness of God
- .125 3 God the creator
- .125 4 Just ruler of the universe

Include here Theodicy (vindication of God's justice in permitting evil and suffering to exist).

- .125 41 Sovereignty, kingdom of God
- .125 42 Wisdom, omniscience
- .125 43 Mercy of God

.125 5 Other attributes and titles

Including omnipotence, transcendence etc.

.129 Greatest Name

.15 Love of God

.18 Primal will, Holy Spirit

.2 Spiritual Beings

.21 Manifestations of God

Use “293.1” for The Báb and “293.2” for Bahá'u'lláh – unless the nature of Manifestation itself is the primary subject

.211 Unity of the manifestations of God

.212 Relation of Manifestation to God

.213 Most Great Infallibility

.214 Revelation, progressive revelation

For works specifically on authorship, inerrancy of scripture, see under 294.1

.215 Miracles

.216 Prophecy

.217 Previous manifestations from a Bahá'í standpoint

Add to the base number 295.217 notation following 2 defining the religion founded by the manifestation concerned – for example:

- .217 6 Moses
- .217 7 Jesus
- .217 8 Muhammad

.219 Future Manifestations

.25 Spirit beings

- .255 Good spirits, Angels etc.

.3 Humanity**.31 Creation, purpose, relation to God**

.311 Faith, belief and doubt

For proofs of the existence of God use 295.121 – for faith as a virtue, use 295.472

.312 Man created to know and love God

.313 Recognition of Manifestation

.315 Dependence

.315 5 Submission to the will of God

.32 Nature of humanity and human society - relation to natural world

For the virtue of love and respect for the natural world use 295.432.

.321 Oneness of humankind

For racial prejudice and racism use 295.4153

.322 Equality of men and women

For Sexism use 295.4155

.324 Immortality of the human spirit

For works on Heaven and Hell use 295.344. Class here works on death.

.324 2 Reincarnation, karma (Fallacy of)

For the effect of good works on salvation, use 295.34855

.325 Free will and predestination**.326 Relation of humankind to the natural world**

For Oneness of religion and science in general - use 295.414

.326 3 Nature of creation

.326 35 Eternal

.326 37 Kingdoms

.326 5 Evolution

For the relationship between the Bahá'í Faith and science, use 291.75

.33 Eschatology

.333 Resurrection, return

.335 Day of God; last days

.337 Calamity

.34 Salvation etc.**.342 Good and evil****.344 Heaven and Hell****.348 Salvation, divine forgiveness**

.348 5 Grace and good works

.348 53 Grace

.348 55 Good works

.4 Principles, morals, personal ethics

Class at 295.4 general works on “living the life”. For religious *occupational* ethics see 295.5.

In this schedule, vice is seen as a deficiency of its corresponding virtue. E.g., a work on *pride* (as a vice) is classed at the number for *humility*

.41 Justice, fair-mindedness

Use a number under 296 for Bahá'í *law* on any 295.4 subject.

.412 Independent investigation of truth**.414 Harmony of religion and science**

For general works about the relationship between the Bahá'í Faith and science, prefer 291.75. Use this number for the oneness of Science and religion *as a virtue or principle*.

.415 Prejudice and intolerance (Elimination of)

.415 1 Religious intolerance

.415 3 Racism and Ethnicism

.415 5 Sexism

.415 7 Ageism

.415 8 Intolerance of people suffering from illnesses and handicaps

.42 Honour, purity

.421 Self-respect, honour

.422 Honesty, ethical dealing

.423 Thrift

.424 Truthfulness

.426 Trustworthiness

.427 Matching words with deeds

.428 Chastity, sexual morals

.429 Purity

.43 Kindliness and related virtues

.432 Concern for the environment

.432 5 Kindness to animals

.432 7 Vegetarianism

.433 “Golden Rule”

.433 3 Sympathy and empathy

.433 7 Respect for others' rights

.434 Generosity, charity, care for the poor and sick

.435 Encouragement

.436 Courtesy and tact

.437 Hospitality

.439 Forgiveness, tolerance

.44 Love and related virtues

- .443 Love
- .445 Friendliness, friendship

.45 Selflessness and related virtues

- .452 Sacrifice
- .454 Service

.46 Humility and related virtues

- .461 Humility
- .463 Reverence
- .465 Obedience
- .466 Patience
- .468 Dignity

.47 Faith and related virtues

- .472 Faith
- .473 Courage
- .474 Happiness
- .475 Hope
- .476 Steadfastness and perseverance
- .477 Sincerity
- .478 Zeal

.49 Other qualities and virtues**.5 Occupational ethics**

Add to the base number 295.5 the Dewey number for the discipline involved – e.g. medical ethics 294.561. Class honesty at 295.422.

.6 Social teachings

Works treating the practical relationships between the Faith and social questions should generally be classed under 291.73 .

Class teachings concerning the social nature of humanity under 295.32
Use 296.5 for social *laws*.

.63 Teachings concerning Peace and War

- .633 Pacifism

Doctrines absolutely forbidding war in any circumstances.

- .634 Lesser peace
- .634 5 Collective security

For international cooperation in general use 295.655

- .635 Most Great Peace
- .636 Warfare
- .636 3 Just war

War necessarily waged, for a just cause.

- .636 8 Holy war

.64 International standards

- .643 International standard measure
- .645 International standard script
- .646 Universal second language

.65 Government

- .653 Individuals and the state
 - .653 2 Obedience to government
 - .653 23 Military service
- .655 International cooperation, world federation
 - .655 2 International executive
 - .655 3 International legislature
 - .655 4 International law
- .656 Political systems
 - .656 3 Republicanism
 - .656 5 Royalism

.66 Teachings concerning economics

For the specific virtues of justice, honesty, thrift, generosity etc. see numbers under 295.4

- .663 Spiritual solution to the economic question

.67 Teachings concerning social life, customs and change

- .673 Social life and customs
- .675 Social change

296 Laws, prescriptions and proscriptions

For scriptural and legislative *sources* of Bahá'í law use appropriate division of "294" - e.g. The Kitáb-i-Aqdas at 294.54.K6.

3 Personal laws**.31 Membership of the Bahá'í community**

- .311 Declaration**
- .312 Suspension of voting rights**
- .313 Expulsion**
- .314 Resignation**
- .315 Membership of (or involvement with) non-Bahá'í bodies**
 - .315 2 Interfaith bodies
 - .315 3 Charitable and "service" organisations
 - .315 5 Other religious bodies
 - .315 7 Secret societies etc.
 - .315 8 Political parties etc.

Here include participation in partisan politics.

.316 Obligations and privileges

- .316 4 Contributions to the cause
- .316 5 Obligatory prayer and repeating holy verses

For comprehensive works on Bahá'í personal devotions use

- .316 7 Privilege of voting in Bahá'í elections

For loss of voting and administrative rights see "296.312".

.32 Laws of personal conduct

.322 Laws affecting sexual conduct

Class rape at 296.32474. For marriage laws use 296.553 – for chastity as a virtue, use 295.427

- .322 2 Adultery and fornication
- .322 4 Homosexuality
- .322 6 Birth control; abortion

.324 Laws concerning respect of the body, of human life

- .324 5 Use of alcohol and other drugs
- .324 7 Violence
- .324 72 Assault
- .324 74 Rape
- .324 75 Murder and manslaughter - suicide
- .324 77 Warfare
- .324 778 Holy War

.326 Laws concerning respect of property

- .326 3 Theft
- .326 5 Fraud
- .326 7 Malicious damage, arson etc.

.327 Laws of respect for other's rights

- .327 6 Backbiting
- .327 8 Discrimination

.328 Other "personal" laws

- .328 2 Gambling
- .328 4 Involvement with psychic phenomena

.5 Social laws

.53 Theocracy, religious government

For the relationship between the Faith and the secular state use 291.732 – for teachings on relations with secular government use 295.65.

.532 Laws governing international matters

- .532 5 Laws relating to U.H.J.

.533 Laws governing communities

- .533 5 Laws relating to N.S.A.s and L.S.A.s

.55 Laws of family life

.552 Duties of children to parents

For duties of parents to children use 296.555.

.553 Marriage

For laws of sexual conduct and adultery etc. see 296.322

- .553 1 Monogamy – plurality of spouses
- .553 3 Courtship, betrothal
- .553 4 Parental consent
- .553 6 Dowry
- .553 8 Divorce
- .553 83 Year of patience

.554 Law concerned with death

- .554 3 Treatment of human remains, burial
- .554 5 Laws of inheritance

.555 Responsibility for children

- .555 7 Responsibility for education of children

.57 Crime and punishment

- .572 Religious sanctions
- .575 Fines and confiscations
- .578 Imprisonment
- .578 9 Life imprisonment
- .579 Capital punishment

297 Feasts & holy days - the Bahá'í calendar

Collections of scriptural readings suitable for a particular occasion, are classed at 294.327, 294.4327 etc. Works on the preparation of worship for particular occasions, including specific programs, are classed at 298.857.

.3 The Nineteen Day Feast

- .331 Bahá (Splendour)
- .332 Jalal (Glory)
- .333 Jamal (Beauty)
- .334 'Azamat (Grandeur)
- .335 Nur (Light)
- .341 Rahmat (Mercy)
- .342 Kalimat (words)
- .343 Kamal (Perfection)
- .344 'Izzat (Might)
- .351 Mashiyat (Will)
- .352 'Ilm (Knowledge)
- .353 Qudrat (Power)
- .354 Qawl (Speech)
- .354 Masa'il (Questions)
- .361 Sharaf (Honour)
- .362 Sultan (Sovereignty)

- .363 Mulk (Dominion)
 - .364 Ala (Loftiness)
 - .4 The days of Ha (Intercalary days)**
 - .5 Naw Ruz (Bahá'í New Year)**
 - .6 Ridvan**
 - .601 First day of Ridvan
 - .609 Ninth day of Ridvan
 - .612 Twelfth day of Ridvan.
 - .7 Holy Anniversaries.**
 - .73 The Declaration of the Báb
 - .74 The Passing of Bahá'u'lláh
 - .75 The Martyrdom of the Báb
 - .76 The Birth of the Báb
 - .77 The Birth of Bahá'u'lláh
 - .78 The Day of the Covenant
 - .79 The Passing of 'Abdu'l-Bahá
 - .8 Other specifically Bahá'í anniversaries**
 - .9 Other anniversaries etc.**
 - .93 World Religion day
 - .94 Race Unity Day
 - .95 World Peace Day
 - .96 United Nations Day
 - .98 Human Rights Day
- 298 Religious life and practice**
- .1 The Covenant**
 - .11 Eternal (Greater) Covenant**
 - .12 Specific (Lesser) Covenant**
 - .13 Covenant-breaking**

For specific covenant-breakers or covenant-breaking groups, see under 292.7.
 - .2 Pilgrimage and Holy places**
 - .21 Bahá'í Pilgrimage**
 - .213 Accounts of particular pilgrimages
 - .215 Pilgrim's notes

For *authoritative* notes of talks by (for instance) 'Abdu'l-Bahá or Shoghi Effendi consider classing in appropriate subdivision of 294.
 - .26 Bahá'í Holy places**
 - .261 In the Holy Land (Israel/Palestine)**
 - .261 1 Holy places in Haifa
 - .261 11 Shrine of the Báb
 - .261 115 Shrine of 'Abdu'l-Bahá

- .261 13 House of 'Abdu'l-Bahá
- .261 2 Holy places at Bahjí
- .261 23 The Mansion
- .261 25 The Shrine of Bahá'u'lláh
- .261 3 Holy places in 'Akká
- .261 32 The Barracks
- .261 321 Cell of Bahá'u'lláh
- .261 35 The house of Udi Khammar
- .261 37 The house of Abbud
- .261 38 The house of 'Abdu'llah Pasha
- .261 39 Bahá'í cemeteries in 'Akká
- .261 9 Elsewhere in the Holy Land
- .261 92 Mazra'ih
- .261 95 Gardens near 'Akká
- .261 953 Ridvan garden
- .261 955 Firdaws
- .261 957 Ashraf

.262 In Iran (Persia)

- .262 1 House of the Báb (Shiraz)

.263 In Former Ottoman Empire

- .263 2 House of Bahá'u'lláh (Baghdad)

.264 Elsewhere**.3 Personal Devotions****.33 Prayer****.35 Reading, reciting scripture****.4 Ritual self-denial – fasting – asceticism****.44 Dietary self-denial**

- .443 Fasting

Class periods of fast in 297

.5 Meditation and mysticism, religious experience**.53 Meditation****.58 Mysticism****.6 Other Mystic Practices****.62 Religious healing****.68 Divination, prophecy**

For prophecy enshrined in scripture, see 294 – for prophecies of Manifestation see 295.21.

.7 Deepening – religious education (Bahá'í)

Class here Bahá'í learning, the Bahá'í Faith as an academic subject. Class teaching, pioneering under 299.8.

.72 Importance in general spiritual development

.73 Methods of deepening

- .731 Self deepening
- .732 Informal gatherings, firesides
- .733 Formal institutes etc.
- .734 Bahá'í summer schools

.75 Deepening particular groups of people

- .753 By age group
 - .753 3 Young people
 - .753 33 Children

Including "Rose Gardens" (Children's classes)

- .753 35 Youth
- .755 By socio-economic class
(Include deepening indigenous people.)
- .756 By ethnicity, nationality
- .757 New and isolated believers
 - .757 3 New believers
 - .757 5 Isolated believers

.76 Deepening on particular subjects

Add to the base number 298.76 the numbers following 29 in 291-299 – e.g. learning about scripture 298.764 – Deepening on the covenant 298.7681. Actual deepening materials would in most cases be best classed with the subject concerned, or under the appropriate division of 294.

.8 Bahá'í Worship

Including individual and community praise of God, celebration of nineteen day feasts, holy days, special occasions – temple services (unity feasts) and other interfaith worship.

Class personal prayer, reading of scripture at 298.3.

.81 Essentially non-ritual nature**.82 Prayer and scriptural readings in acts of worship**

- .823 Congregational prayer
- .824 Reading, reciting, chanting of scripture in worship

.84 Use of music in worship

Class religious music in general at 781.7 or 782.22

- .844 Song books, "Hymnals" etc.

.85 Celebration of particular occasions

- .853 Bahá'í weddings
- .854 Bahá'í funerals
- .857 Feasts, Holy days etc.

Add to the base number 298.857 notation following 297. For collections

of scripture suitable for the celebration of particular feasts, holy days – see 294.

- .858 Times of the day

Including dawn prayers

- .89 Unity feasts, Temple services and other interfaith worship

.9 Charity, donations to the Cause

For the virtue of generosity, charitableness, use "295.434" – for the *obligation* to contribute to the cause under Bahá'í law use 296.3164.

299 Institutions and organisations, administration**.03 Directories****.06 Statistics****1 General Administrative Topics****.11 General administration**

For subjects not allowed for below - add to the base number 209.11 the numbers following 65 in 651-659 – e.g. General Office administration 299.111. For public relations, advertising use proclamation at 299.53, rather than 299.119.

.15 Bahá'í elections

For the privilege of voting in Bahá'í elections, and removal of this privilege, see 296.3167.

- .158 Conventions etc. called for the purpose of holding elections

.18 Conferences and regional meetings**.2 Administrative Centres and Houses of Worship****.22 The World Centre (Haifa)****.24 National & Local centres**

(e.g.) Australian National Centre 299.2494

.26 Houses of worship

(e.g.) The Indian Temple 299.2654

.3 Administrative Institutions

Committees or sub-organisations of any institution are numbered after a 0 (zero) - the numbers 2-8 are used to locate the committee (where this is appropriate) thus a committee of the U.H.J. might be 299.34202 - a committee of the N.S.A. of Australia might be 299.3439403.

.34 Governing institutions (the Rulers)

- .341 The Guardianship

For works specifically on Shoghi Effendi, use 293.4 – for works on other "Guardians", class under covenant breakers, at 292.78.

- .342 The Universal House of Justice
- .343 National Spiritual Assemblies
- (e.g.) The NSA of the United States 299.34373
- .345 Local Spiritual Assemblies
- .346 Isolated believers and communities too small or immature to form an L.S.A. (Groups)
- .38 Protective & teaching institutions (the Learned)**
- For teaching itself use 299.8.
- .382 The Hands of the Cause of God
- For consideration of Hands *as individuals*, including biography, use 293.5. For general consideration of Bahá'í history during the period of the stewardship of the Hands – prefer 292.534.
- .383 International teaching centre
- .384 Continental Boards of Counsellors
- .386 Auxiliary Boards
 - .386 3 For propagation
 - .386 5 For protection
- .4 Bahá'í clubs, societies etc.**
- .42 General**
- .422 International
- .424 National and Local
- .425 Institutional
 - .425 7 University Bahá'í societies
- .45 Special interest groups**
- .450 2 Bahá'í library groups & associations
- .451 Bahá'í philosophical societies etc.
- .452 Bahá'í religious, theological societies etc.
- .453 Bahá'í social welfare & educational societies
- Including Women's groups.
- .454 Bahá'í Esperanto clubs etc.
- .455 Bahá'í scientific associations etc.
- .456 Bahá'í technical groups (e.g. computer clubs)
- .457 Bahá'í artistic societies
- .458 Bahá'í literary societies
- .459 Bahá'í historical societies
- .8 Teaching, Consolidation & Pioneering**
- Define "teaching" as the introduction of non-Bahá'ís to the Faith – for religious education of Bahá'ís use "deepening" (298.7). Class institutions of the Faith connected with teaching under 299.38
- .801 Importance of**
- .802 Role in spiritual development**

.81 Plans & campaigns

For history, achievements etc. of particular plans – see appropriate heading under 292.5 or 299.82.

.82 History of teaching**.83 Proclamation & Advertising**

- .835 Advertising the faith, publicity
- .837 Formal proclamation

.84 Particular teaching methods

- .842 Personal teaching
- .844 Firesides
- .845 Travel teaching
- .846 Public meetings
- .847 Mass teaching
 - .847 3 "Street preaching"
 - .847 5 "Door-knocking"
- .848 Use of the media

.85 Teaching particular groups of people

- .853 By age group
 - .853 3 Young people
 - .853 33 Children
 - .853 35 Youth
- .855 By socio-economic class
(Include teaching indigenous people.)
- .856 By ethnicity, nationality
- .858 Teaching people of particular religious background

.86 Consolidation

- .862 Community Development
- .863 New believers

Use this number for the general care and nurture of new believers, especially as part of the consolidation process. For *deepening* new believers, use 298.7573.

- .867 Isolated believers

Use this number for the general care and nurture of isolated believers. For *deepening* isolated believers, use 298.7575. For the place of isolated believers in the administrative structure, use 299.346.

.87 Pioneering

For works about *individual pioneers* (including Knights of Bahá'u'lláh) and all biography in this area, use appropriate division under 293.

- .872 History of pioneering
- .876 In particular countries, regions etc