BOOK BANS TO AI
CHANGING THE NARRATIVE IN LIBRARIES
Once upon a time...
Choose your Dewey
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“The librarian must be the librarian militant before he can be the librarian triumphant” – Melvil Dewey
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• Pragmatism
• “The self is not something ready-made, but something in continuous formation through choice of action.” – John Dewey
• “I believe that education is the fundamental method of social progress and reform.” – John Dewey
Rejected the “progressive education movement” because it was merely a reaction and rejection of what was...not what could be
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- Power of narratives
  - Shush to groomer in 5 Years
- We can change the narrative too
  - From "objective" (passive) to trusted professional facilitators with a host of tools
- When you talk of war, you must talk of casualties and enemies
  - The risk of othering
- Narratives are most powerful when driven by local realities and allies
• AI is here
  • In your collections
  • In the life of your communities
    • Search, music, fitness, employment

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  • AI can potentially generate 97 million new roles

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• We must ensure that the same tech giants that embraced confrontation for engagement don’t use AI to isolate and disconnect

• We must weave our communities together to saves lives

• We don’t have customers, we have neighbors and members and citizens
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