

**ACRL
Value of
Academic
Libraries
Discussion
Forum**



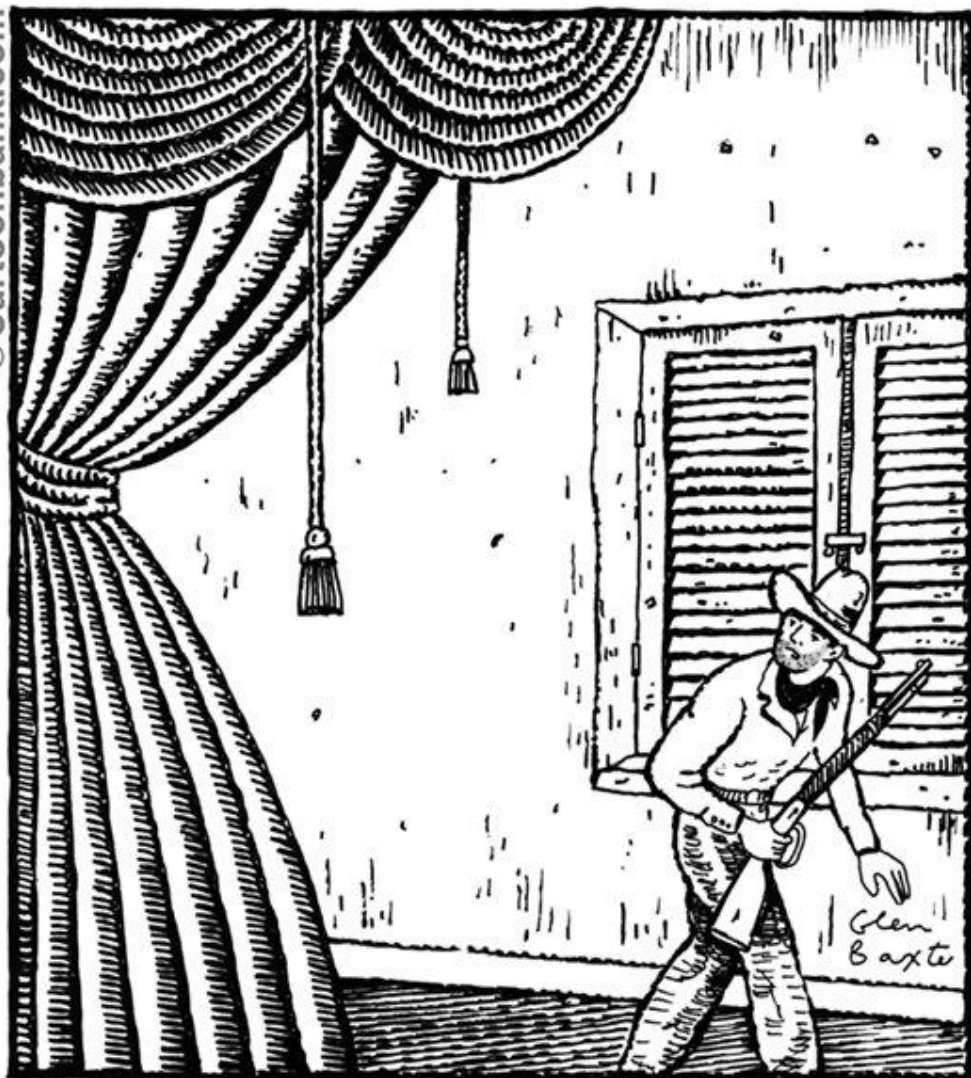
**CHANGE
AHEAD**

Mary Ellen Davis

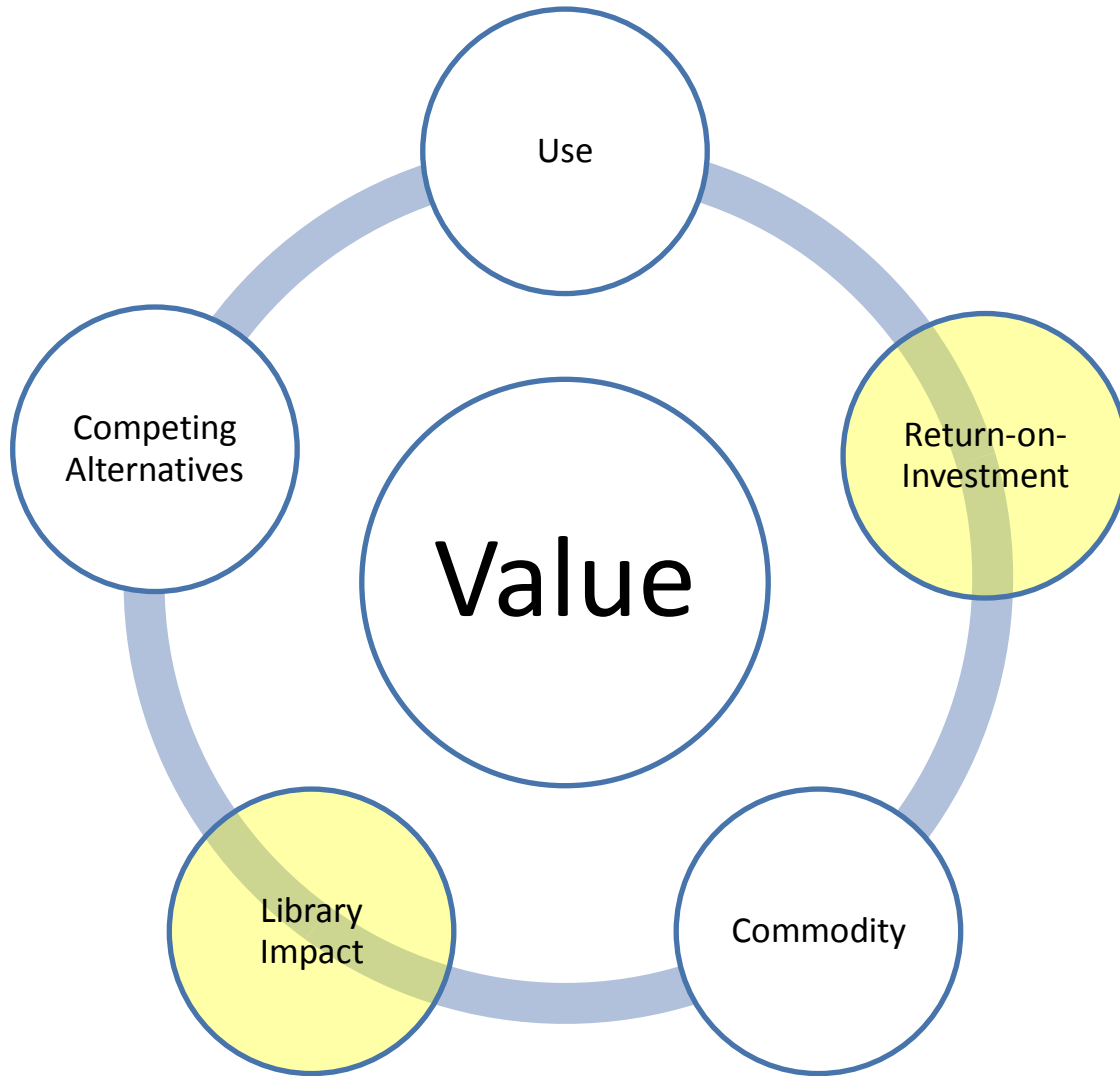
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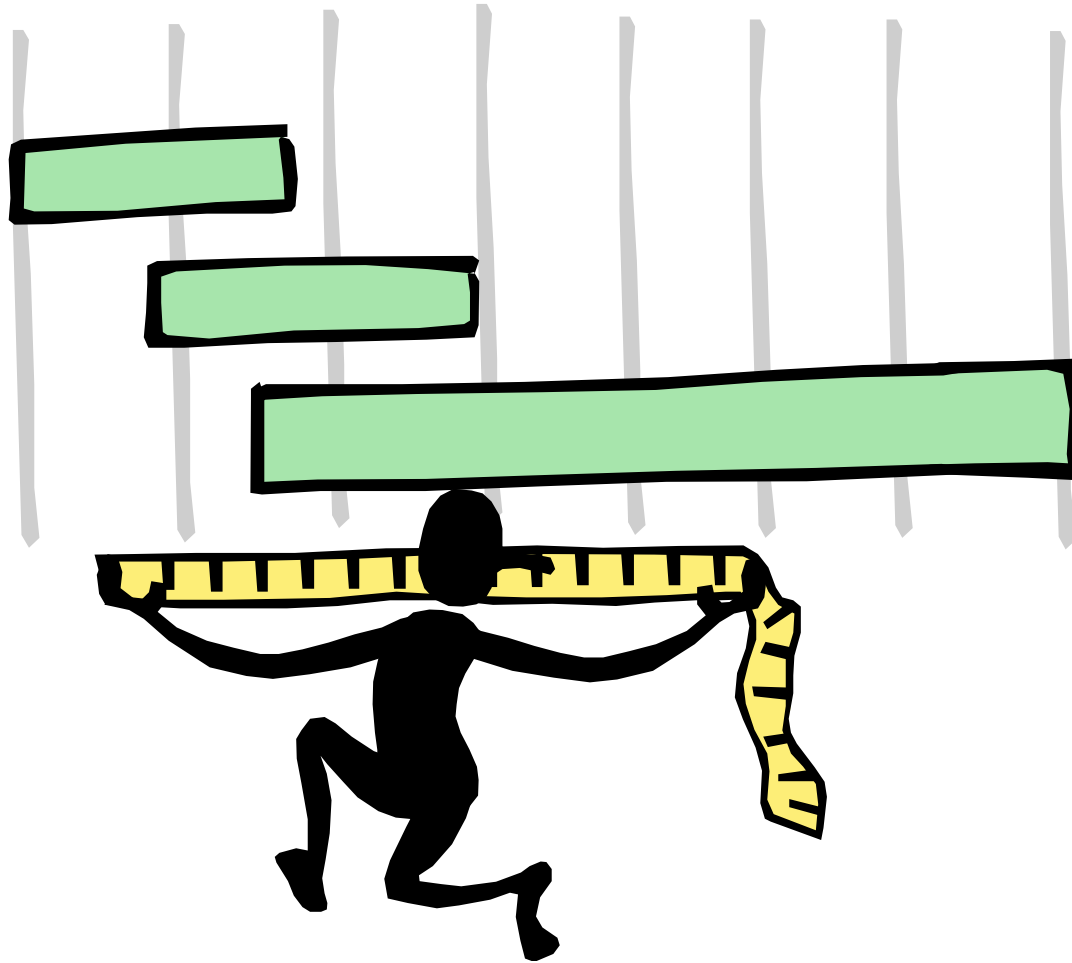


A WIND OF CHANGE WAS SWEEPING THROUGH
THE OLD BUNKHOUSE, AND ZEKE DIDN'T
CARE FOR IT ONE LITTLE BIT.

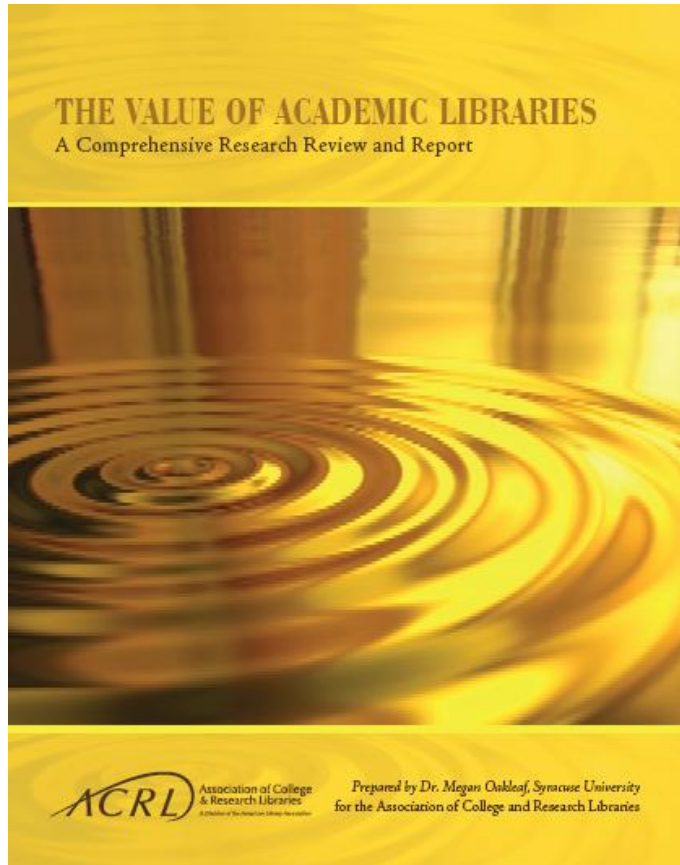


what do
we mean
by value?

What's the Evidence?



The Value of Academic Libraries: An ACRL Initiative



- Align libraries with institutional outcomes.
- Empower libraries to carry out work locally.
- Create shared knowledge and understanding.
- Contribute to higher education assessment.

<http://www.acrl.ala.org/value/>

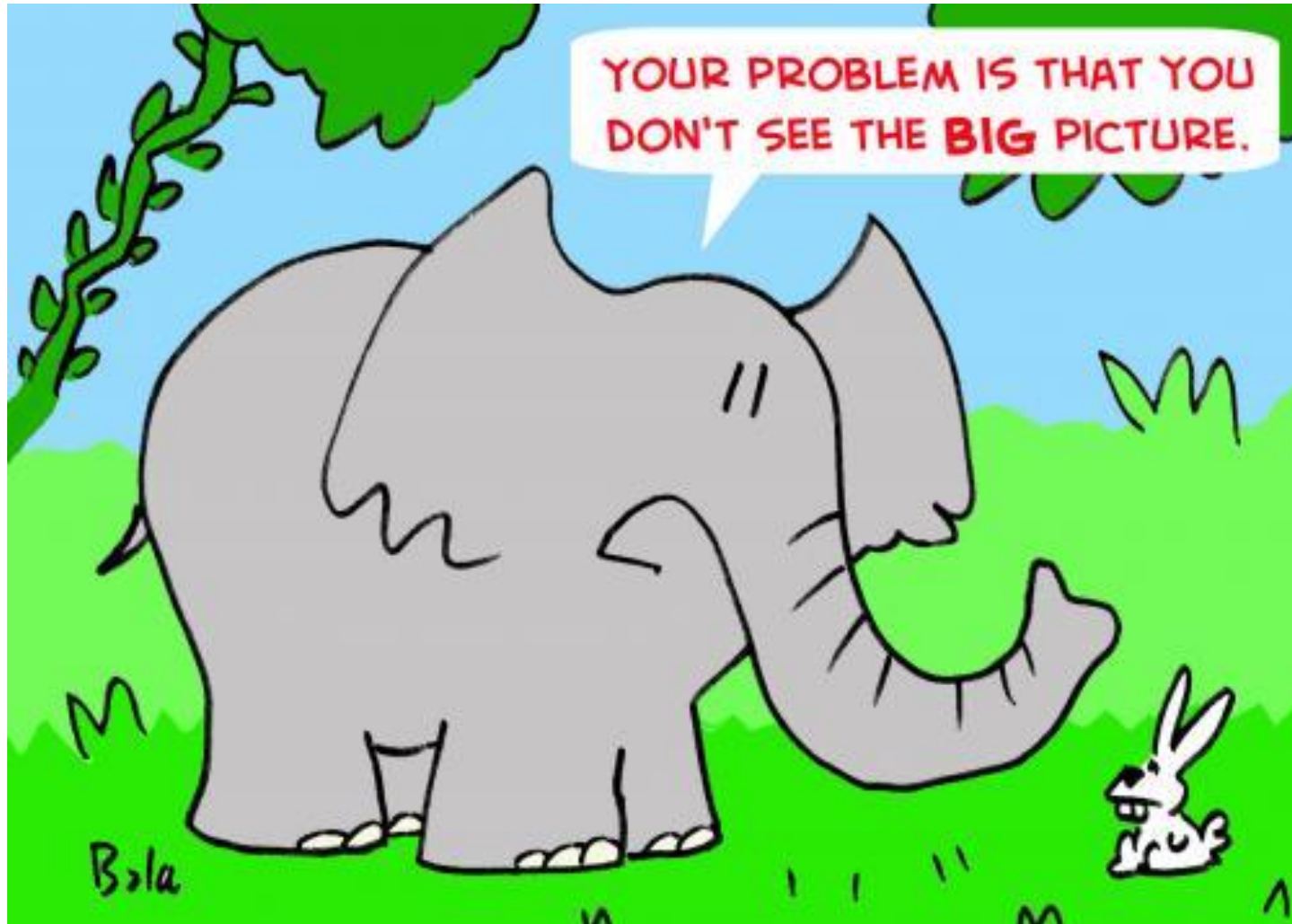
value to
overarching
institution





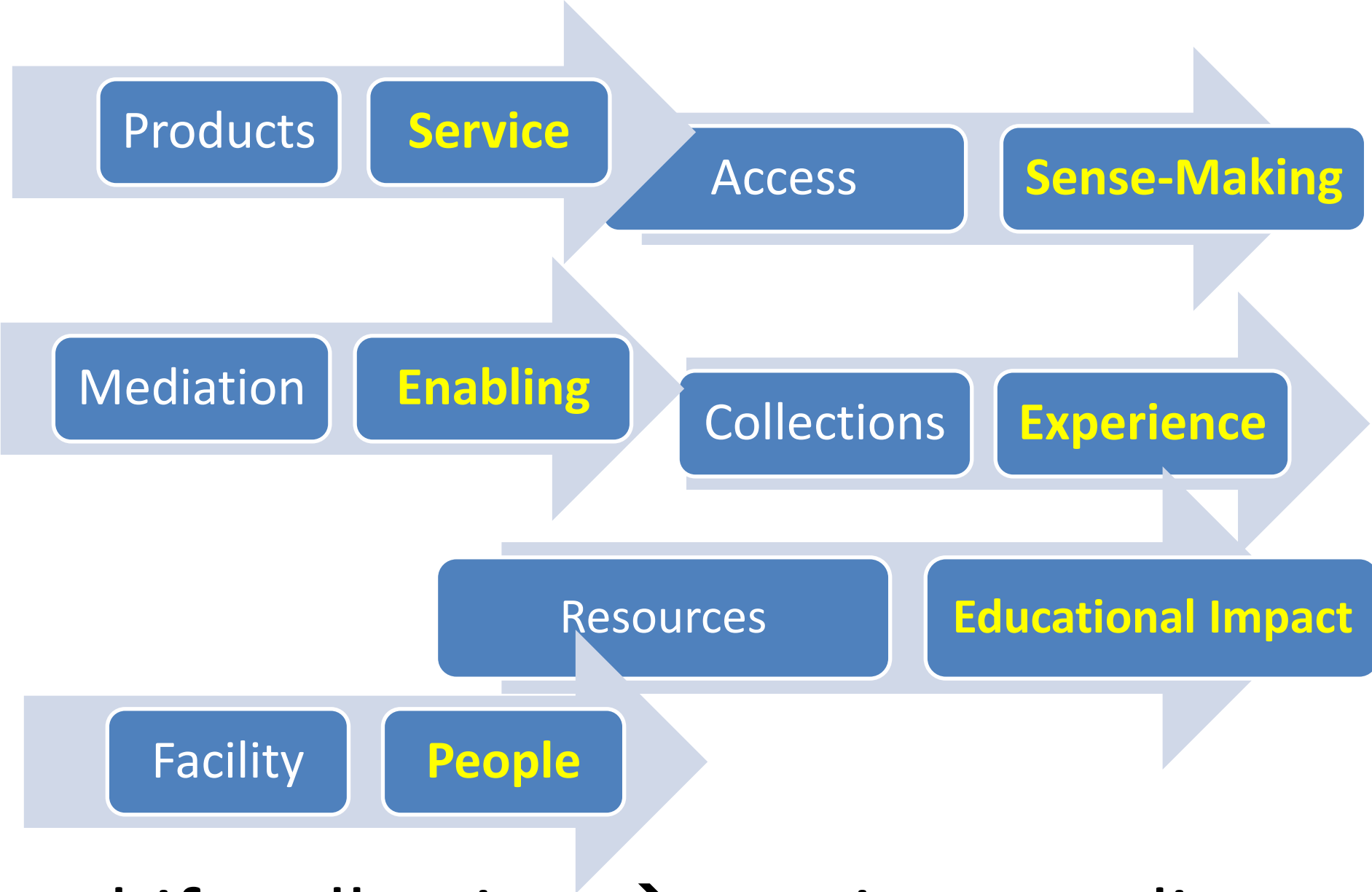
help
we have
undervalued
libraries

use is not enough





recognize our
focus on
outcomes



shift collection → service paradigm



ask & answer:

what do libraries enable people to do?

what do they use the information for?



what do
individual
users do?
and what
impact does
that have?

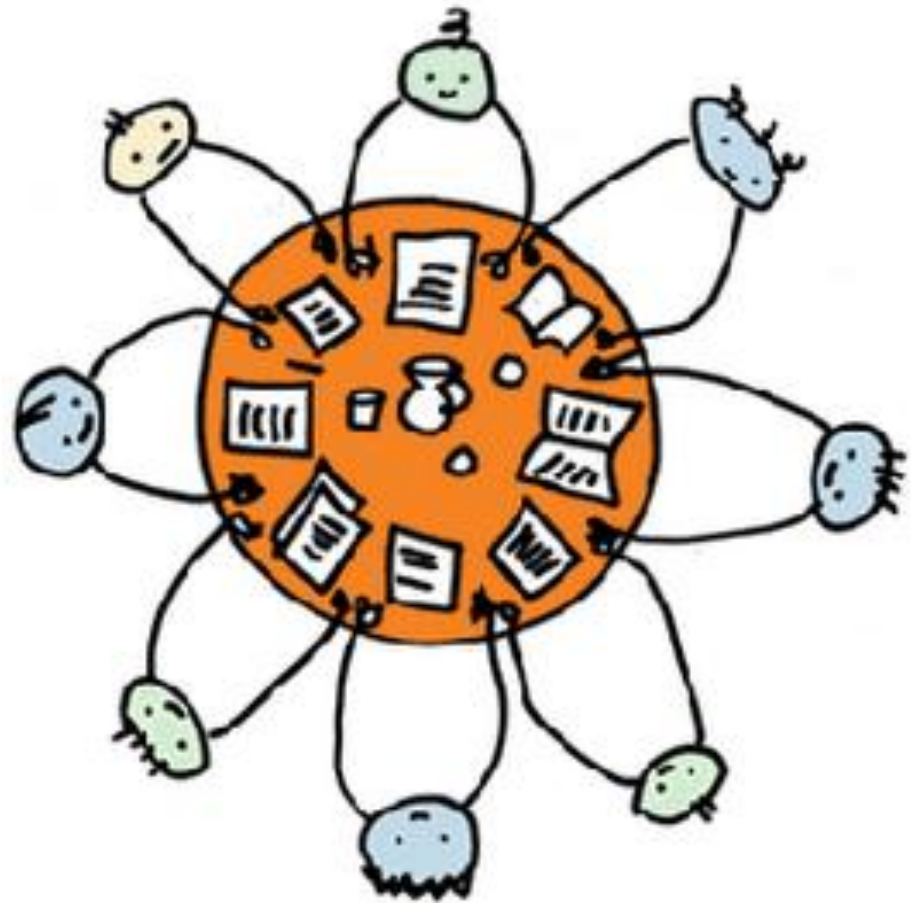
maintain privacy of individuals



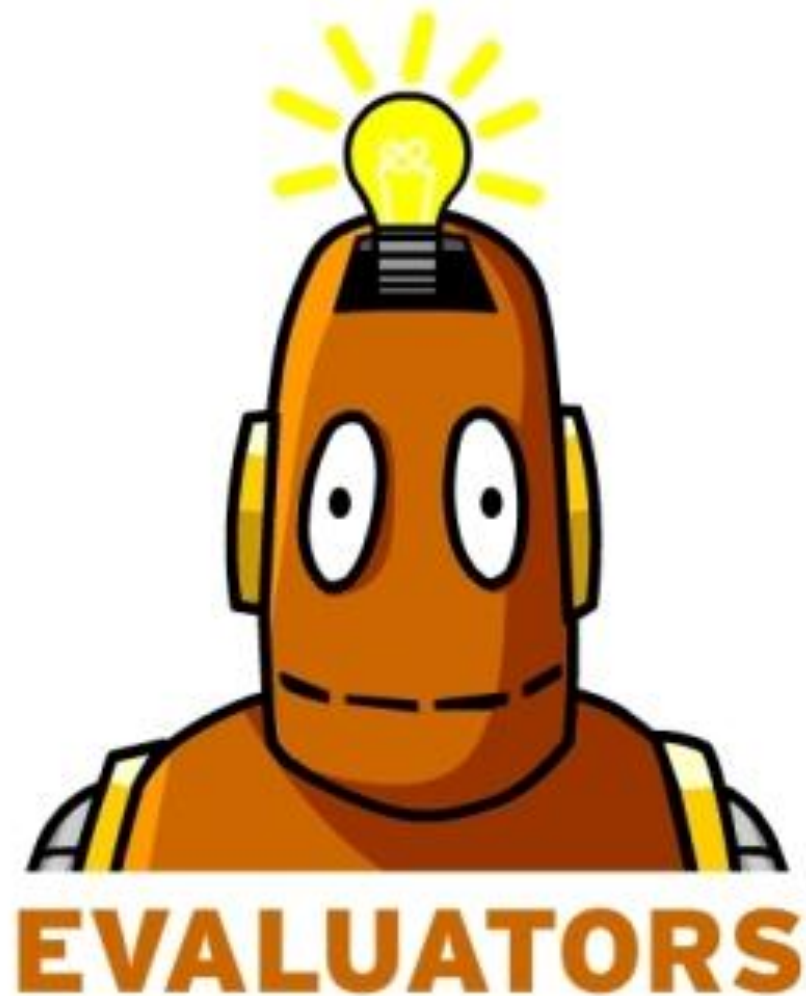


generate data
that plays well
with
assessment
management
systems

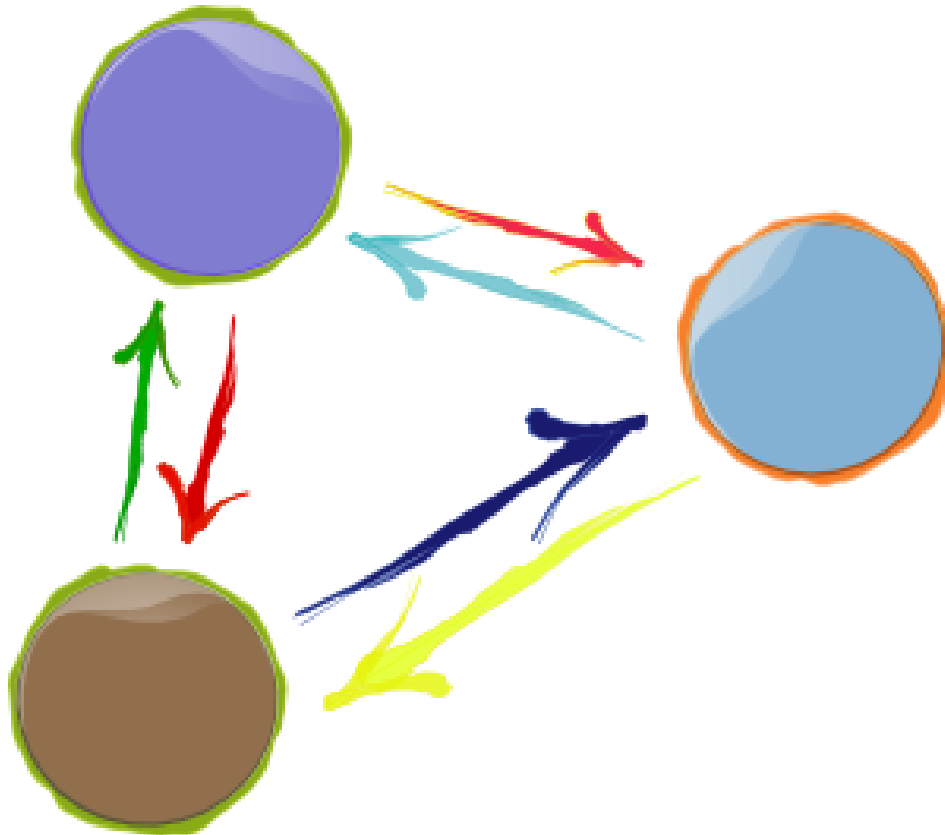
help libraries
“come to the
table” in
national
assessment
venues



including accreditation



facilitate interactions with librarians as
research consultants and teachers



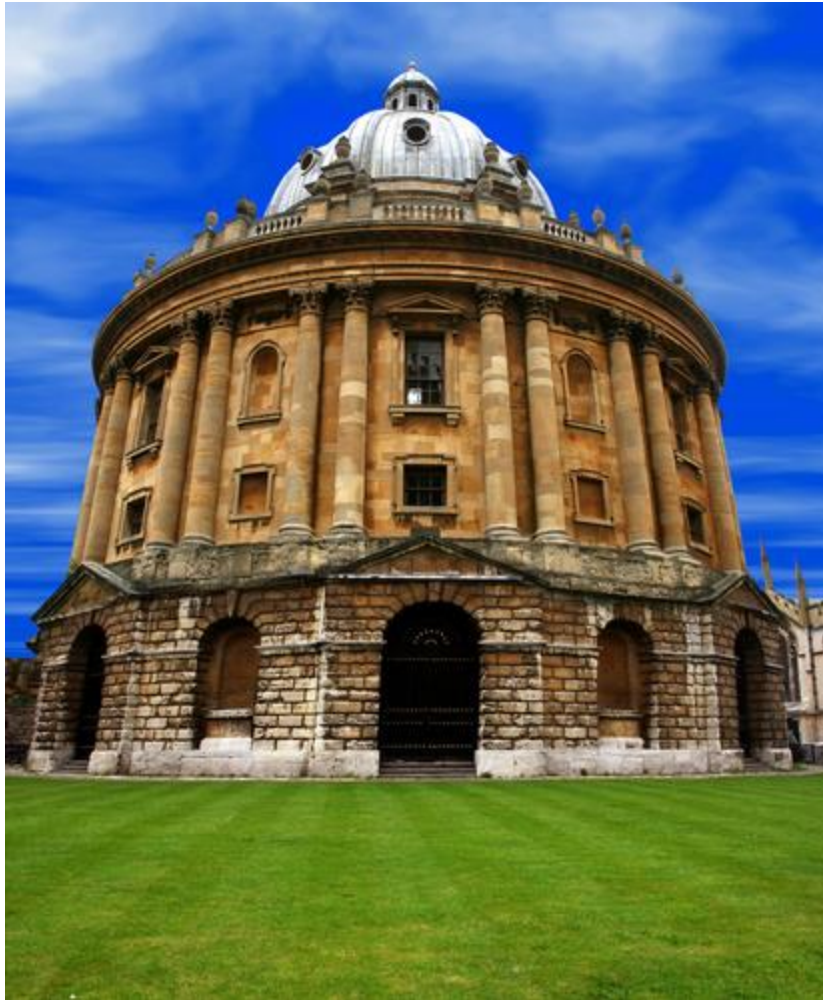
and help us track the impact!



help
students
and faculty
manage
their
information
projects

integrate
instructional
content
developed by
librarians





what is
unique to an
individual
library?

what's so special?



articulate why library information
is special

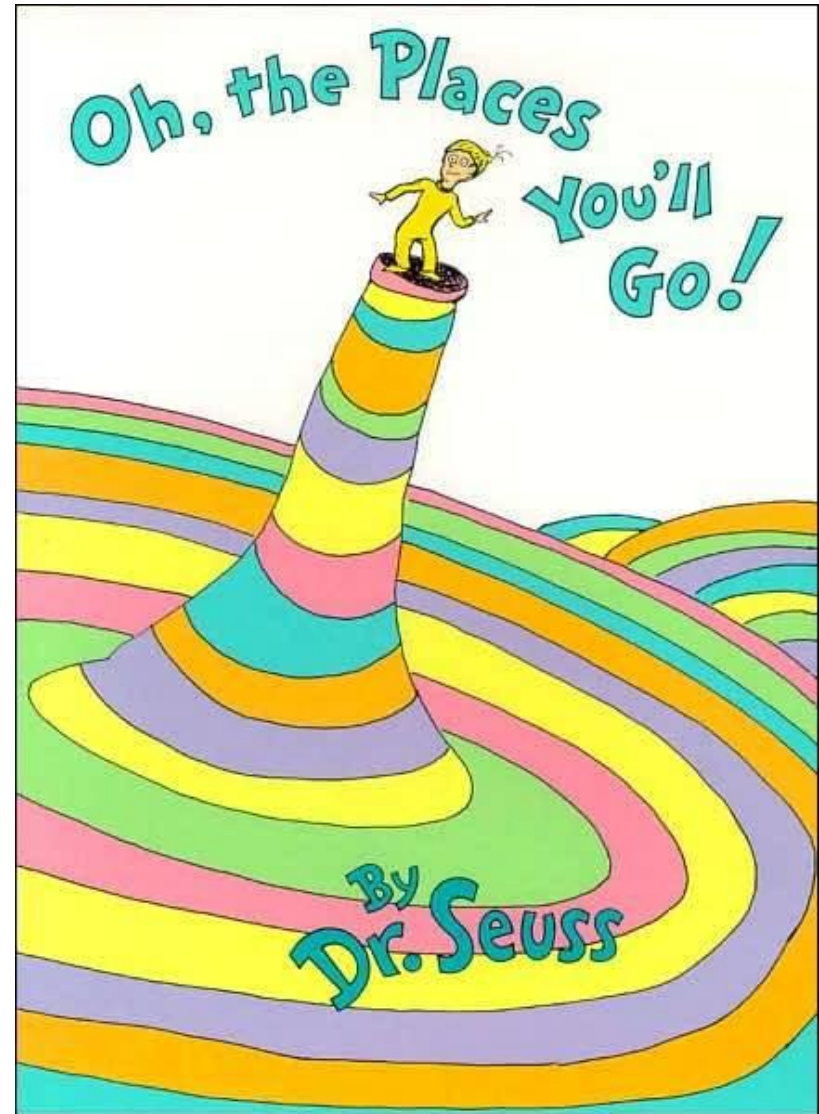


to administrators, faculty, parents,
students

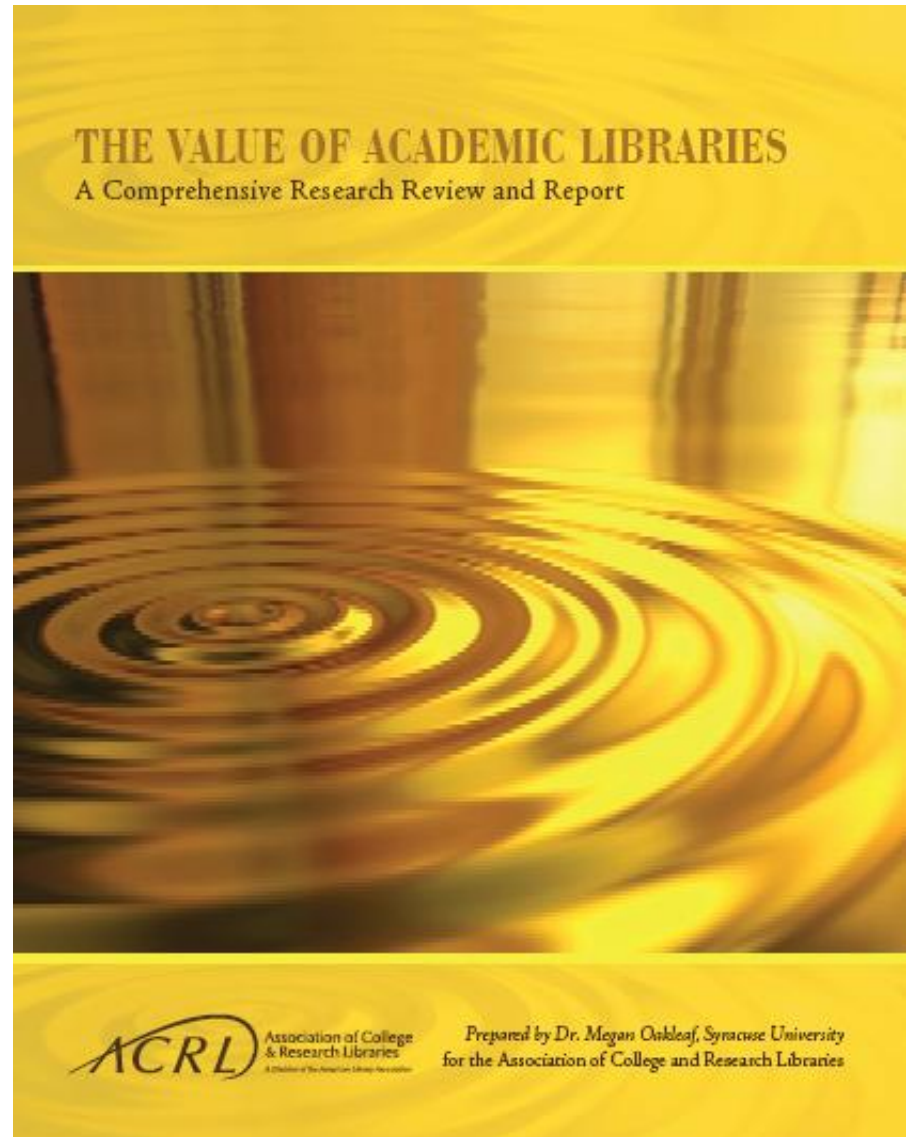
show them the money



connect
K-12 to 13-16



publish quality
work related
to
the VAL
research
agenda



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A Comprehensive Research Review and Report

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questions, comments,
& more!

