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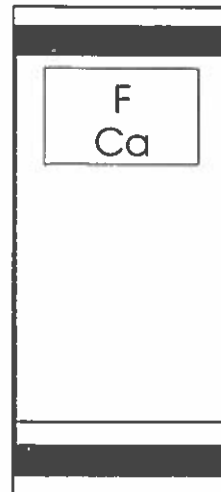
Fiction Call Numbers

Books have “addresses” just like houses do. A house has an address so people can find it. A book has an address for the same reason. A book’s address is called its call number, and it helps people find it on a bookshelf. The **call number** can be found on the book’s spine.

If a book is fiction, it will have an F on its spine with the call number. The F stands for **fiction**, and the book will be placed in the fiction section of the library. Fiction call numbers are made up from the first two letters of the author’s last name. Fiction books are placed on bookshelves in alphabetical order by their call numbers.

► Look at the examples below.

Jeff Carpenter wrote *Ants in My House*, a fiction book. If you weren’t sure if it was fiction or not, you could look at the spine for an *F*. What two letters do you think you would find under the *F*? The spine of the book would look like this:



My Night on Pluto was written by Fawn Faraway. It is a fiction book. What two letters make up its call number? Look at its spine. Is it correct?

