An Overview of AI Services in Korean Libraries

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Artificial Intelligence (AI)

What is it and why does it matter?
AI (Artificial Intelligence)

...software used to perform tasks or produce output previously thought to require human intelligence, esp. by using machine learning to extrapolate from large collections of data.

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Generative AI

Artificial intelligence designed to produce output, esp. text or images, previously thought to require human intelligence, typically by using machine learning to extrapolate from large collections of data; (also) a system, piece of software, etc., used to create content in this way

OED
with Generative AI,

Are we done for?
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AI Services In Korean Libraries

- **Library Service**
  - Suwon Women’s University
  - National Assembly Library of Korea

- **Programming and events**
  - Yonsei University Library
  - Sejong City Library

- **Database Integrations**
  - DBpia
Chatbot elf: e-library Friend 2018

- First in the nation to introduce this service
- Available 365, 24/7
- Users can ask through the chatbot on the website or via Kakao Talk
- Can issue Temporary Mobile Student ID
- Can review checked-out books and do renewals
- Search for books and place holds
- Library Hours and provides user guide for the library
- 80% relevant answers
Suwon Women’s University
National Assembly Library

Argos (https://argos.nanet.go.kr/) 2019

- AI legislative activities analysis service for the Assembly Library
- Monitors news and social media to display auto extracted information in various ways.
Current issue
  ○ Issue Keyword (as of date)
  ● Big Data Analysis
  ● Analysis Report
  ● News and Social Media Analysis
  ● Law and Statistics
    ○ AI chat available
Y-Smart Space 2020

- Space to actualize ideas using AI and other digital developments such as Internet of Things, virtual reality, etc.
Yonsei University Library

Digital Transformation Academy 2020

- Education on AI, Data Analysis, Python etc.
- Provided in the form of courses, workshops etc.
AI Creative Workshop 2023

- **AI Picture Book Service**
- **Patrons fill out the form with picture book content**
- **Library staff fill out the prompt on AI program (K-AI Grimm)**
- **Adjust as needed to make the book content into a PDF**
- **Post on the library website**
- **Sometimes print and bind to make into an actual book**
## Sejong City Library

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K-AI Grimm platform
DBpia

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AI idea

- Research topic recommendations
- Generates a sample outline/ table of contents
- Linked with resources from DBPia
- Can set notifications for due date reminder
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Thank You!

Questions?

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