

Choice of Books

Your opinion is an important asset

Are you a pupil, a student, a teacher, a scholar, an artist, or do you simply love books? The Hellenic Book Club invites you to participate in the Program of the Choice of its books.

Put in your enthusiasm, your knowledge, your responsibility, your critical look, but above all your feeling and evaluate books taken from the wealth of the worldwide cultural offering.

Your opinion means for us strength, it offers a work of culture and by offering one becomes richer.

Your judgement helps our social work, because it enriches thanks to your spontaneous and responsible evaluation, the most important of our programs. That is, the Choice of Books.

Novelty

A unique system of evaluation

made from readers and addressed to other readers

9.000 choices make the difference

The significant contribution of the HBC to quality books is based on a unique in its domain system of evaluation.

Each book, in order to be evaluated, is read by common people who love reading, have a criterion and sensibilities.

Thus, the evaluation of the HBC's books is made **by readers**, is addressed **to other readers** and is expressed in the vast domain "**Book and Life**" by covering the whole spectrum of culture.

Through this system we've been **evaluating, choosing** and **proposing** so far **9.000 books** -out of which **430 kinds** covering all of the readers' preferences- proposed by **560 publishers**.

Quality is our choice

Far from the systems of commercialisation of books, dissociating itself from the logic of publishing low quality books, a logic which have certain publishers, having quality as its unique compass, the HBC brings finally to readers books that can be read, that educate, divert, elevate the spirit. Books chosen with care, which distinguish themselves by their quality stars, printed in the logo of the HBC.

- inspired
- excellent
- very good

These distinctive signs guarantee that the books which come down to you, belong to the best of Greek and foreign literature.

“Culture is quality!”

I.M Panagiotopoulos

“The spirit blows where it wants...”

Neither all writers, nor all their books have the gift of the spirit.

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“I do not know how it can choose without me, with which criteria it opts for quality, by feeling the texture of love between the index-finger and the thumb and from the softness, the warmth and the courtesy my heart expresses itself and nods.”

N. Grigoriadis

We are... an open book!

Hellenic Book Club is a cultural, voluntary, non-profit organization. **Founded in 1977**, it has 11 members as its management board.

Its philosophy is based on the triptych: **quality, whole man and new culture.**

Its action is expressed in many ways through its **24 programs** and its **2000 cultural events.**

- 660 lending libraries of high legibility mainly in villages situated at the frontier or isolated ones of Greece as well as abroad
- 600 book fairs covering all the spectrum of knowledge
- The publication of the periodical “Book and Life”
- Creative dialogues among bibliophiles
- 660 events named “Let’s discuss with a book”
- The programs of the EU called Leucippus, Prometheus, Athena
- 160 Weeks of Books
- A bibliophiles’ action in Greece and abroad
- Creative libraries named “Philostratus”
- Lending libraries for enterprises called “Philitas”
- The edition of “Scattered Birds”, ideas, ideas, ideas
- 100 pedagogical-recreational activities
- Cultural excursions
- Book festivals

We’ve made our choices and we support them

- our passion for good books
- their promotion and their propagation
- the fostering of reading
- the renewal of the relation with knowledge, inspiration, recreation that offers a good book
- the strengthening of the creative contact with the readers
- the connection of books with everyday life
- the distinguishment of the modern face of a Greece which reads, reflects, fights
- the offer of a work of culture