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- virtual learning environments (VLE)
- problems of pricing and access with individually ordered or packaged electronic journals
- budgeting issues in electronic resources
- management of electronic-only versions of journals
- electronic vs. paper serials—including selection criteria of each
- copyright law—and its impact on electronic acquisitions
- subscriptions to databases and the variations in depth and quality of indexing
- the challenges in creation of an electronic collection of historical annual reports
- costs and delivery options for unbundled and integrated media materials
- systematic incentives to implement archiving of peer-reviewed papers produced by faculty
- PDA serials issues

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