

Braille. A reading system used by some people who are blind. Braille is a system of raised dots, which are read through touch. There are several versions of braille available.

Literary braille comprises two grades:

Grade 1 Braille, also known as uncontracted braille, is in full spelling and consists of the letters of the alphabet, punctuation, numbers, and a number of composition signs which are special to braille.

Grade 2 Braille, also known as contracted or “English Braille,” consists of Grade 1 and 189 contractions and short-form words. The majority of people who read braille use Grade 2.

The requestor should indicate the grade of braille desired so the Department can request the proper grade from the braille vendor.