A book has been damaged – what now?

It frequently happens that users try to repair the damaged book on their own for best intentions. They worry that they have to pay for the repair. Mostly they use a conventional transparent adhesive tape.

But:

There is nothing worse for a book than a “repair” with any kind of adhesive tape.

Why?

- Straps of adhesive tape turn yellow
- The adhesive becomes brittle, the plastic strap falls off and what remains is an ugly stain that cannot be removed.
- Subsequent adhesive bonding with glue does not adhere to the plastic of the adhesive tape.
- It is very difficult and takes a lot of time to remove the straps of adhesive tape from the book.

Therefore:

- Please help us to save costs for repairing and binding books by never “repairing” books by yourself.

Especially:

- Check your books for any damages when you borrow them.
- Please report any damage you might have unwillingly caused to our staff at the circulation desk (don’t worry, we will not ask you to pay for every loose page.)

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