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Stacked sends shock through book world

The prospect of Pamela Anderson dabbling in bookselling causes consternation, poll shows

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Jane Austen is spinning in her grave, and D.H. Lawrence is not too amused, either.

Book lovers everywhere are shocked, shocked by the prospect of Pamela Anderson dabbling in the bookselling world, according to a poll conducted by Victoria, B. C., online bookseller [Abebooks.com](#).

Anderson's new primetime sitcom, *Stacked*, is set in a family-run bookstore called The Stacks. The former VIP and Baywatch star plays a jet-set party girl who decides to make a fresh start in life by getting a job as a store clerk. *Stacked* debuts tonight on the Fox network. Time -- and ratings -- will determine whether *Stacked* will be renewed this fall or else be shelved.

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Pamela Anderson stars in the Fox comedy series *Stacked*, set in a family-run bookstore.

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more than 70 million books for sale, and daily attracts hundreds of thousands of bookworms and professional booksellers to its Web site.

More than 300 respondents completed the online poll. Just 29 per cent of respondents said they would watch the first show. A deluded 35 per cent said they believed *Stacked* might encourage book buyers to buy more books.

More than a third, however -- 39 per cent -- said they would buy a book from Anderson, and nearly half -- 49 per cent -- admitted they would hire Anderson to work in their bookstore.

Abebooks.com also asked for suggestions about what Anderson's favourite book might be. Madonna's *Sex* led the field, along with *Kama Sutra* and *The Joy of Sex*. Wittier suggestions included *The Two Towers*, *The Climbers' Guide to the Grand Tetons* and *Tommy the Tank Engine*. Literary suggestions ranged from *War and Peace* to *Ulysses*, while one online visitor touchingly proposed *Romeo and Juliet*.

Two second-hand bookstore owners had conflicting opinions about *Stacked*, according to Abebooks' Richard Davies. Jeannie Mancini, owner of Books Unlimited in San Mateo, Calif., suggested some casual viewers might even be prompted to watch the show and then find their local bookstore, while Barbara Young, owner of The Old Book Shop in Tubac, Ariz., said *Stacked* looks "tacky," based on the promos.

Why get your binding in a knot over a silly TV show, though?

"It reflects on the business we're in," Davies said. "Books are our business. We're intrigued and fascinated by how it's going to turn out. On the other hand, that double entendre [*Stacked*] is not the kind of gag you normally associate with our business. Selling books is not sexy."

Davies insists he's keeping an open mind, however.

"We'll see. We're open-minded and open for business."

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