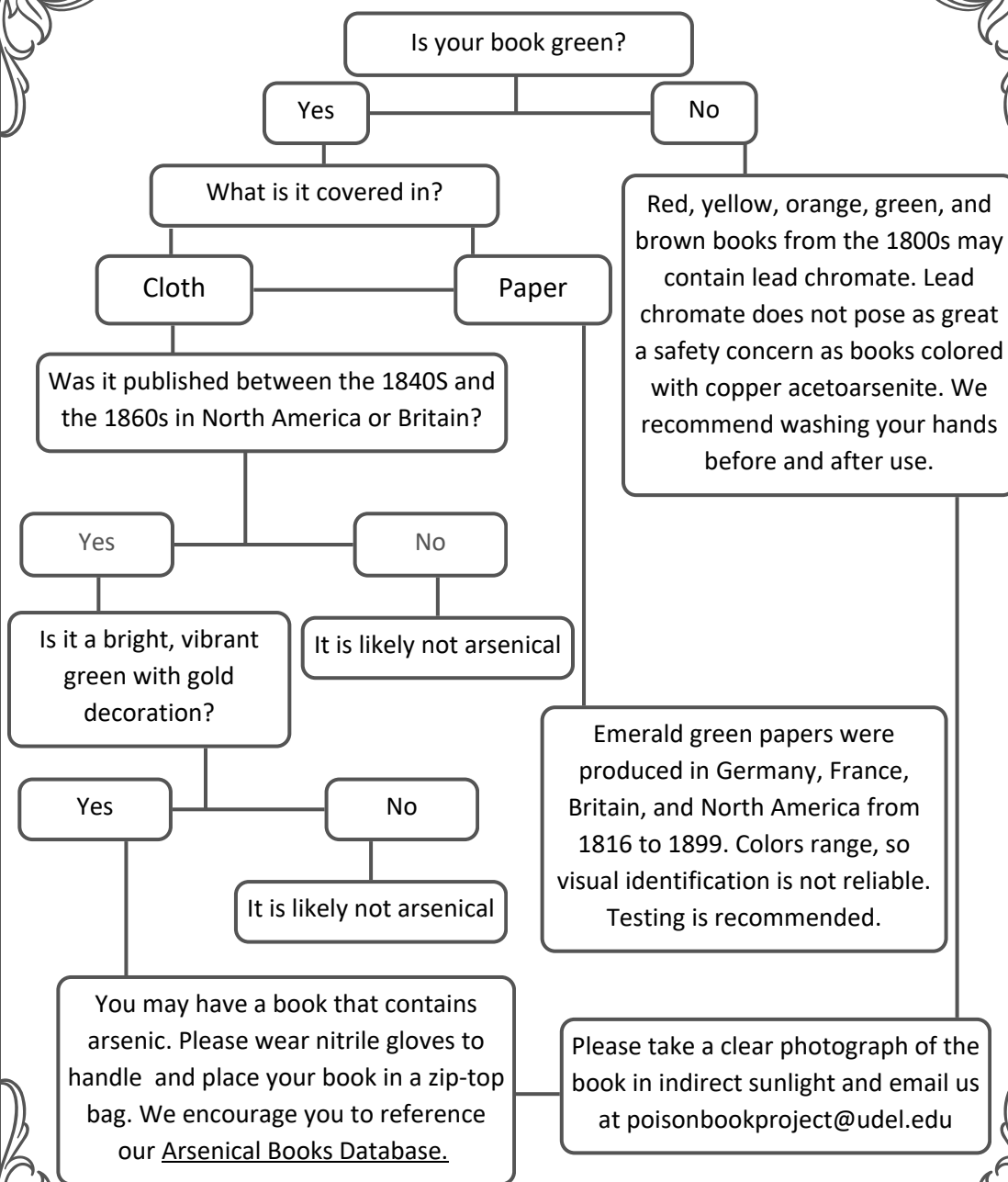



# DO YOU HAVE A POISON BOOK?



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# HOW TO PHOTOGRAPH A SUSPECTED POISON BOOK

1. If you suspect that your book contains arsenic, we encourage you to wear a pair of nitrile gloves while handling. It is always best practice to wash your hands before and after handling historical books.
2. It is best to photograph your book in natural but indirect light. We suggest placing a disposable piece of paper on a flat surface in front of a window on a sunny day. Make sure the book is not directly in a ray of sun. Please take a focused photo. Smartphone photos are fine.
3. Email the photo of your book, to the [poisonbookproject@udel.edu](mailto:poisonbookproject@udel.edu). Please provide the title of the book, the place of publication, and the year of publication (this information can usually be found at the bottom or back of the title page).

## SAMPLE IMAGE



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