

**The main characteristics of the source (per every type of the source)  
Rippikirjat - Catechetical lists (Communion books)**

<b>1. Official name of the source and its English translation</b>	Rippikirjat - Catechetical lists (Communion books)
<b>2. Purpose of the source:</b>	
2.a. Why was this source created?	The church law 1686: The law made parish registers mandatory in every parish.
2.b. Who created it?	The staff of parishes.
<b>3. Scope:</b> What group of the population was documented in this source?	Everybody in the parishes (parish members age over 15 years) in Karelia.
<b>4. Time period:</b> When the information of the sources was recorded? Please indicate the start and the end date.	From 1737 to 1950
<b>5. Geographical area:</b> What territory is covered by the source?	<a href="https://katiha.mamk.fi/map.jsp">https://katiha.mamk.fi/map.jsp</a>
<b>6. Content:</b> What was recorded?	
<b>7. Language of written material:</b> original sources and documentation	
<b>8. Preservation and storage:</b>	
8.a. Completely preserved	
8.b. Partially destroyed by personnel according to systematic criteria	
8.c. Partially destroyed or damaged for other reasons	Partially destroyed or damaged (cause of the war/churches were fired).
8.d. Reorganized by producer of the source	
8.e. Reorganized by record linkage procedures	
8.f. Where the original records are stored (name of the archive or institution)?	The Provincial Archives of Mikkeli
<b>9. Documentation:</b>	
9.a. Completely documented and accessible by:	
9.b. Partially documented and accessible by:	Description of the file is accessible by the front page of Karelian Database Foundation <a href="http://www.karjalatk.fi/index.php?lang=en">http://www.karjalatk.fi/index.php?lang=en</a> . Please choose Rekisteriseloste from the bottom of the page.
9.c. No documentation, but accessible by:	