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The essential 3XX fields commonly used in MARC21 records with their respective indicators, subfields, descriptions, and examples:

1. **300 - Physical Description:**

- **Indicators:** Indicator 1 specifies whether the physical description is formatted according to ISBD (International Standard Bibliographic Description) conventions.
- **Subfield \$a:** Extent (Example: 356 pages)
- **Subfield \$b:** Other physical details (Example: illustrations)
- **Subfield \$c:** Dimensions (Example: 23 cm)

2. **336 - Content Type:**

- **Indicators:** Both indicators are typically undefined or contain blank values.
- **Subfield \$a:** Content type term (Example: text)
- **Subfield \$b:** Content type code (Example: txt)

3. **337 - Media Type:**

- **Indicators:** Both indicators are typically undefined or contain blank values.
- **Subfield \$a:** Media type term (Example: unmediated)
- **Subfield \$b:** Media type code (Example: n)

4. **338 - Carrier Type:**

- **Indicators:** Both indicators are typically undefined or contain blank values.
- **Subfield \$a:** Carrier type term (Example: volume)
- **Subfield \$b:** Carrier type code (Example: nc)

5. **340 - Physical Medium:**

- **Indicators:** Both indicators are typically undefined or contain blank values.
- **Subfield \$a:** Material base and configuration (Example: microfilm reel)
- **Subfield \$b:** Dimensions (Example: 16 mm)

6. **347 - Digital File Characteristics:**

- **Indicators:** Both indicators are typically undefined or contain blank values.
- **Subfield \$a:** File type (Example: PDF)
- **Subfield \$b:** Encoding format (Example: application/pdf)

7. **380 - Form of Work:**

- **Indicators:** Both indicators are typically undefined or contain blank values.
- **Subfield \$a:** Form of work term (Example: novel)
- **Subfield \$b:** Form of work code (Example: a)

8. **384 - Medium of Performance:**

- **Indicators:** Both indicators are typically undefined or contain blank values.
- **Subfield \$a:** Instrumentation (Example: piano)
- **Subfield \$b:** Numeric designation of soloist/performer (Example: 1)

9. **500 - General Note:**

- **Indicators:** Indicator 1 specifies whether the note is linked to the title (value "0") or not (value "1").
- **Subfield \$a:** Note text (Example: Includes bibliographical references)

10. **505 - Contents Note:**

- **Indicators:** Indicator 1 specifies whether the note is linked to the title (value "0") or not (value "1").
- **Subfield \$a:** Contents note text (Example: Chapter 1: Introduction)

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