

WEBSITES FOR TEACHERS AND LEARNERS

www.eslgold.net

- Great audio and video content; click on *Listening* and you will have access to Randall's ESL Cyber Listening Lab (free); also check out the podcasts

www.esl-galaxy.com

www.english-4kids.com

www.readingonline.org (see Quick Links – ESL)

- Website of the International Reading Association

www.abcteach.com

- See Languages/ESL as well as Flashcards, Theme Units

www.nytimes.com/learning

- Click on *News Snapshot* – daily current events activity at a grade 3-5 reading level including printable student handout and teacher's page (It is American; you can pick and choose as appropriate); also see
- Lesson Plan Archive

www.britishcouncil/learnenglish

- Portal linking to all websites for teachers and learners of English

www.canadiangeographic.ca/atlas/

- Click on *CG kids atlas* for interactive component
- Has a daily featured lesson plan and featured Canadian place

www.cbc.ca

- Digital archives (see [Learn](#), for Teachers)
- See CBC Learning Online (video and audio resources as well as the Teacher's Lounge)

www.canadahistory.com

- Includes a Media Centre, but the site is still under construction

www.teacherplanet.com

www.usingenglish.com

- Tools and resources for students, teachers, learners and academics

www.tolearnenglish.com

- Includes online placement tests as well as lessons and exercises; your students can even find pen pals

www.softschools.com

- Includes worksheets, games, quizzes organized by grade and topic; most of which are completed online
- Also generates worksheets

www.marksesl.com

- Extensive teacher resources
- See *Best of the Web for Teachers*

www.tesomax.com/topsites/www.songsforteaching.com

- Lyrics, cds, downloads including an ESL area

www.eclecticenglish.com

- Lots of online practice for ESL learners
- A grammar test that gives a rough estimate of level of English

www.englishmeeting.com/esl_video_lessons_page.htm

- Featuring Dave Sperling of Dave's ESL Café
- Good audio/video content

www.statscan.ca/english/edu/index.htm

- I can only recommend *Kid's Zone: Canada Maps*, as the rest is too difficult and quite boring

www.pinkflamingoresources.blogspot.com

- Click on *Resources Homepage*
- Everything from ESL teaching resources to webpage creation; list of podcast sites designed for ESL listeners
- Tons of worksheets at ESL-PDF.com

www.bookbox.com

- Audio-visual stories for preschool and elementary levels; web-based jukebox of digital books in languages from around the world; hear the books read and see the text on screen in a multitude of languages
- Free registration. The site offers downloads of the stories for a fee, but the online books are free.

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ESL Internet Links

To access a link, press control on the keyboard and click it with the mouse.

Teacher resources

Catherine Brown: Accelerating Minds with Language. Huge resource base, including a large page of links (a few repeats may follow)

	http://www.acceleratingminds.com/resources.htm
Dave's ESL café	www.eslcafe.com
Lessons, strategies	www.eslpartyland.com
Tips, lessons	www.everythingesl.net
Games, worksheets	http://bogglesworldesl.com/
Some lessons, links	www.eslgames.com
General resource	http://www.usingenglish.com/
West Coast Reader	http://www.westcoastreader.ca/

Not ESL specific resources

Graphic organizers, lessons, outline maps (Houghton Mifflin)

	http://www.eduplace.com/main.html#ed_res
Word connections	http://www.visuwords.com/
Song Lyrics	www.lyrics.com
Award winning lit.	www.dawcl.com/search.asp
Free reading samples	http://www.readinga-z.com
National Film Board	www.nfb.ca/education
Learning Game links	http://www.mce.k12tn.net/games/games.htm
Olympics (Requires Login)	www.olympicschool.ca
Various free resources/instruction	http://paulhami.edublogs.org
Everything for literacy	http://www.readwritethink.org/index.asp
Post video/comment	http://voicethread.com/
WWF	http://www.schoolsforalivingplanet.com/
Teaching time	http://www.time-for-time.com/swf/myclox.swf
Audio Books online	http://downloads.bclibrary.ca/
Readability calculator	http://www.harrymclaughlin.com/SMOG.htm
Images from Canadian museums (artifacts, photos, paintings...)	http://www.virtualmuseum.ca/English/Gallery/index.html
Abstract Nouns	http://www.chompchomp.com/terms/abstractnoun.htm
General Lessons etc.	http://www.educationworld.com/
'Do Something' videos	http://www.karmatube.org/index.php
Smartboard lessons	http://education.smarttech.com/st/en-US/Ed+Resource/

Pay Sites (Some have a temporary free trial)

Discovery videos <http://streaming.discoveryeducation.com/index.cfm>
 Safe searches <http://www.nettrekker.ca/>

Teacher – Professional

Ministry ESL Policy and Guides <http://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/esl/>
 ESL PSA <http://bctf.ca/eslpsa/>
 SET BC/PSAP <http://www.setbc.org/>
 Ministry of Education Webcasts <http://www.insinc.com/ministryofeducation/>
 Teaching to diversity www.bctf.ca/TeachingtoDiversity
 VSB ESL <http://www.vsb.bc.ca/vsbprograms/kto12/ESL/default.htm>
 Inspiring talks <http://www.ted.com/>
<http://www.teslcanada.ca/>
http://www.tesol.org/s_tesol/index.asp
 The ESL Kids in My Class <http://web.deltasd.bc.ca/sites/files/shared/eslfaq.pdf>

Student Resources

Translation tool <http://www.translation.paralink.com/>
 Learn vocabulary while feeding the hungry <http://www.freerice.com/>
 Make comics online <http://www.makebeliefscomix.com/comix.php>
 Dictionary with word pronunciation <http://www.thefreedictionary.com/>
 Leveled activities <http://a4esl.org/>
 Variety of activities <http://www.manythings.org/>
 Environmental theme <http://www.ecokids.ca/pub/index.cfm>
 20 questions <http://www.20q.net/>
 Wacky Web Tales (Mad Libs) <http://www.eduplace.com/tales/>
 Online books <http://www.tumblebooks.com/talkingbooks/home.asp>

Parent Resources

Brochure for ESL parents <http://www.bctf.ca/parents.aspx?id=3666>
 Fast Facts about Learning a New Language
<http://www.vsb.bc.ca/NR/rdonlyres/E71FB2FA-6268-4B4B-AAFD-69B587540F2A/0/FastFactsAssumptions2.pdf>
 Newcomer's Guide <http://www.elsanet.org/education/index.html>
 Victoria READ Society <http://www.readsociety.bc.ca/Vrs.htm>
 BC Settlement http://www.welcomebc.ca/en/service_providers/bcsap.html
 Multilingual brochures <http://www.wstcoast.org/parents/multilingual.html>