

Web sites from TEs.co.uk

SurLaLune Fairy Tale pages

<http://members.aol.com/surlalune/frytales/>

Includes the tales, their histories, similar tales from other cultures, bibliographies, and other materials.

Little Red Riding Hood

<http://www.pitt.edu/~dash/type0333.html>

Links to different versions of this famous fairy tale.

Internet Fairy Tale sites

<http://www.belinus.co.uk/fairytales/Homeextra.htm>

Links to a variety of sites, some suitable for use as Big Books.

Australian 'Dreamtime' legends

<http://www.artistwd.com/joyzine/australia/dreaming/>

Links to a number of stories, includes useful glossary of unusual words.

Book reviews

<http://www.cool-reads.co.uk>

Book reviews by children

Word level resources

Want to find some homophones? Look no further than

<http://www.cooper.com/homophonezone/>

<http://www.train.stockton.gov.uk/pages/viewpage.asp?uniqui...>

Word and text level resources for KS1 and 2 to download. Textease, Word and Powerpoint activities.

Narrative Writing

<http://kotn.ntu.ac.uk/>

Ideas and resources to support narrative writing, from advice from authors to collaborative projects with other schools.

<http://www.kidpub.org/kidpub/>

Site where children can publish their own stories. Examples of stories written by children.

Erin's Site

<http://www.cswnet.com/~erin/child.htm>

Suitable for KS1/2 teachers, KS2 pupils

Traditional poems are included on this site, along with other less well known offerings, although illustrations are scarce. Need to be copied into a word processor and font size increased to make them easily readable with a class

Haiku

<http://www.toyomasu.com/haiku/>

Suitable for KS2 teachers & pupils

A great many children love the challenge of writing haiku. This site defines the term, explains how to write it and provides masses of examples, both old and modern.

www.poeticexpressions.co.uk

Samples of poetic texts

<http://www.poetryzone.ndirect.co.uk/index2.htm>

Examples of children's poems, author interviews, ideas for teaching poetry etc

Myths

<http://www.mythweb.com/>

Suitable for KS1/2 teachers

Satisfyingly, subjects include gods, heroes and teachers. The site is very strong on Greek myths and the pages for teachers have some good ideas for creative writing, DT and art.

Aesop's Fables

<http://www.aesopfables.com>

Suitable for KS1/2 teachers

Covering many of these famous fables, this site also provides lesson plans and other practical ideas.

Festivals and celebrations around the world

Global legends

<http://204.98.17.1/lmc/myths.html>

Suitable for KS 1/2 teachers

Links to sites about myths from the Greek, Mayan and Irish traditions, fairy and folk tales, Indo-European tales and special encyclopaedias.

<http://www.channel4.com/learning/microsites/B/bookbox/hom...>

Really superb site (not a download I'm afraid) but supporting Literacy. Video clips of authors discussing and explaining how to write a story. Really short snapshot of how Susan Price opens a story to 'hook' her reader for example.

Myths Index

<http://www.mystical-www.co.uk/urbanidx.htm>

Suitable for KS1/2 teachers, KS2 pupils

A variety of stories listed thematically. Plus, an investigation into the legend of King Arthur.

On line Big Books

<http://www.mape.org.uk/activities/bigbooks/index.htm>

Selection of big book stories for KS1 and 2

www.naturegrid.org.uk/infant/bigbook.html

(Sebastian the Swan)

www.tcom.ohiou.edu/books/kids.htm

(Bearatrix Potter stories)

http://www.kidcrosswords.com/kidreader/aesops_fables/aeso...

(Aesops fables)

[http://www.kidcrosswords.com/kidreader/fisherman_and_his ...](http://www.kidcrosswords.com/kidreader/fisherman_and_his_...)

(The fisherman and his wife)

<http://www.sundhagen.com/babbooks/>

(On-line stories for kids)

<http://www.2simple.com/stories/>

Collection of on-line stories to support KS1 History unit. Require shockwave.

<http://tlfe.org.uk/clicker/flashhistoryks1/seaside.swf>

Link to clicker book on Seaside holidays in the past

<http://www.thelighthouseforeducation.co.uk/clicker/flashh...>

Link to clicker book of a Simple Florence Story

<http://ngfl.northumberland.gov.uk/english/littleredship/t...>

A series of activities and clipart to use with The Little Red Ship interactive stories. The stories are also available to download. Extra resources will be added to the site including a puppet theatre of the characters to use with the children

Text Level resources

Viking Quest

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/history/games/vikingquest/index.shtm...>

Interactive story based on the Vikings

Fun for Kids

<http://aatalbert.songbird.com/PapasPoems/>

Suitable for KS1 teachers & parents

An extensive collection of poetry suitable for reading to infant and pre-school children. Being a US site, not all the poems are suitable, so check out those that work best with your class.

On-line materials

http://www.learnenglish.org.uk/kidstopics_frame.html

Songs

<http://www.britishcouncil.org/kids-songs-clothes.htm>

Website KS2

<http://www.amblesideprimary.com/ambleweb/lookcover/lookco...>

IWB resources for primary – Look Cover Write, Check, See

<http://www.amblesideprimary.com/ambleweb/>

Old website

<http://ambleweb.digitalbrain.com/ambleweb/frontpage/prima...>

New address for Ambleside

<http://www.sln.org.uk/english/Primary%20Pages/p71111.htm>

New Primary Literacy objectives mapped out.

<http://www.lancsngfl.ac.uk/curriculum/math/index.php?cate...>

New Primary Numeracy objectives mapped out

http://www.icteachers.co.uk/resources/resources_literacy....

Planning page for activities for Primary

<http://www.icteachers.co.uk/resources/literacy/literacywe...>

Great web page which is hyperlinked to many very useful Primary websites

<http://www.crickweb.co.uk/ks2literacy.html>

IWB resources for Primary

<http://www.iwb.org.uk/>

IWB activities for Primary

<http://www.primaryresources.co.uk/ict/ict.htm>

Lots of primary resources

<http://www.funbrain.com/teachers/index.html>

Fun interactive games

<http://www.topmarks.co.uk/Interactive.aspx?s=literacy&a=k...>

A portal to lots of very good interactive activities for Key Stage 2

<http://www.teachingpets.co.uk/Literacy/Contents.htm>

Useful resources for KS1 and KS2 for a range of subjects

<http://www.readwritethink.org/lessons/index.asp>

Lesson plan ideas

<http://www.primaryideas.co.uk>

Big Writing ideas

<http://www.twentytwentyvision.org.uk>

Ros Wilson's Big Writing website

<http://www.enchantedlearning.com/crafts/origami/fortunete...>

How to make an origami fortune teller VCOP but multiple uses

www.fieryyideas.com

Ros Wilson ideas for electronic downloads e.g Big Writing Games

<http://www.instantdisplay.co.uk/free.htm>

Silly Sentence openers amongst these displays for KS2 and KS1.

<http://www.thepuncs.com/index.html>

The Puncs a group of characters for each punctuation mark. Good idea but costs £4 could get students to invent their own.

<http://www.readwritethink.org/>

Place for some interactive tools and lesson plans.

<http://www.readwritethink.org/materials/acrostic/>

Create an online acrostic poem, which encourages planning and then offers support with starting words. There is a word limit though.

<http://www.readwritethink.org/materials/diamante/>

Diamante poems which recap synonyms, antonyms, adjectives and -ing words.

<http://www.readwritethink.org/lessons/index.asp?grade=1&strand=0&engagement=0&display.x=21&display.y=10>

Lesson plan selector for KS2

<http://www.readwritethink.org/lessons/index.asp?grade=1&strand=0&engagement=0&display.x=21&display.y=10>

Online templates for weaker students for: Newspapers, brochures, booklets and flyers.

Presentational features can be used.

<http://www.learnenglish.org.uk/>

Quizzes, games, interactive ideas

<http://www.britishcouncil.org/kids-games-fun.htm>

British Council, learning English great for EAL and weaker students.

<http://www.teachers-take-away.co.uk/>

Resources for display, but they cost £25 for the lot.

Website Key Stage 3 and why

www.simple.com

2simple Website for electronic resources e.g. 2simple 2connect

http://www.robertpowellpublications.com/interactive_FAQ_1...

Interactive games which include Question of, Blockbusters and Dominoes

<http://aspirations.english.cam.ac.uk/converse/home.acds>

- Good for First World War recruitment resources

www.rsc.org.uk

Royal Shakespeare Company

<http://www.standards.dfes.gov.uk/secondary/keystage3/subj...>

RSC Audio of 'Much Ado About Nothing'

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/ks3bitesize/>

Useful games and for revision

Website LEA

<http://c9s.e2bn.net/e2bn/leas/c99/schools/c97/accounts/pn...>

Cambridge Advisory Service website which has the MTP for each Year group.

<http://www.thegrid.org.uk/learning/english/>

Great for schemes of work

<http://www.lancsngfl.ac.uk/nationalstrategy/literacy/inde...>

Lancashire LEA website for Primary Literacy

<http://www.dcseducation.org/v.asp?folderid=920&schoolid=&...>

Devon Primary LEA for mixed years

<http://www.norfolkesinet.org.uk/pages/viewpage.asp?uniqid...>

Norfolk County Council – Thinking Schools for Thinking children, interesting ideas on learning, character, plot, genre. Resources available.

<http://www.learninglogs.co.uk/>

Learning logs website

Website Publishers

<http://www.harcourt.co.uk/Series/Secondary/HeinemannLiter...>

Free teaching materials for Heinemann texts

<http://www.oup.co.uk/oxed/secondary/english/rollercoaster...>

Schemes of work for Oxford Rollercoaster series including: 'Boy in the Striped Pyjamas', 'Abomination' etc.

<http://www.oup.com/oxed/secondary/english/>

Oxford University Press pages

<http://www.spartacus.schoolnet.co.uk/REVprimary.htm>

Fantastic for historical context and research

<http://www.collinseducation.com/autosites/findResource.as...>

Collins Educational resources, schemes of work

<http://www.collinseducation.com/autosites/findResource.as...>

Collins Readers schemes of work

<http://www.penguinreaders.com/pr/resources/index.html>

Penguin readers from Easy starts and L1 to Level 6. Also includes audio CD's and downloadable pdfs of worksheets and activities for each reader. Have to login.

<http://www.harcourt.co.uk/Secondary/EnglishAndMedia/Engli...>

Great free resources in Heinemann Literature

<http://www.chalkface.com/?>

Resources that you can buy.

Website KS4 and Media Studies

<http://www.mediaedu.co.uk/>

Fabulous and essential for Media Studies

<http://www.filmeducation.org/>

Film resources, sign up and they will send resources for free.

<http://www.spartacus.schoolnet.co.uk/>

Historical research

<http://wordsmith.org>

www.poemhunter.com

For finding poems

Google Earth – for resources relating to places

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/ks2bitesize/>

Useful games and lessons for below level 3

<http://www.tes.co.uk/resources/home.aspx>

Go to Resources, log on and then you can search for many, many ideas.

<http://www.poetryclass.net/lessona.htm>

Poetry website using the senses.

<http://www.standards.dfes.gov.uk/secondary/keystage3/all/...>

Schemes of work for teaching the novel

<http://www.wsu.edu:8080/~taflinge/sitcom.html>

Sitcom website

<http://www.mediaed.org/resources>

Great media portal, endless links

<http://www.answers.com/topic/list-of-sitcoms>

Comprehensive list of sitcoms

<http://valdefierro.com/bandex.html>

American sitcoms abroad

<http://www.mediaedu.co.uk/page184/sitcoms.html>

Mediaedu's sitcom portal

<http://www.kudlian.net/products/podcaster/education.html>

Podcasting information

<http://www.literaryconnections.co.uk/resources/teaching.h...>

A great place with so many useful ideas and helpful advice.

<http://www.britishcouncil.org/learnenglish/>

TEFL teachers need to know about this

http://www.lausd.k12.ca.us/Belmont_HS/mice/index.html

Online guide to 'Of Mice and Men' useful for vocabulary, maps and pictures, idioms and chapter summaries

<http://www.teachernet.gov.uk/teachingandlearning/resource...>

Practical support pack for all subjects and Key Stages

<http://www.chompchomp.com/terms.htm>

Grammar terms

<http://www.universalteacher.org.uk/>

Useful for notes

<http://www.s-cool.co.uk/default.asp>

For students

<http://www.teacherxpress.com/>

Website portal for all subjects v. useful

<http://papertoys.com/>

Paper toy templates

<http://www.englishbiz.co.uk/>

English revision – advice for different types of writing

<http://www.dowlingcentral.com/MrsD/area/literature/LitTerms.html>

Literature terms and quizzes

http://www.standards.dfes.gov.uk/secondary/keystage3/all/respub/en_tran_y7_y10

Transition materials for non-fiction from Year 7-10

<http://www.novelguide.com/>

Novel guide

<http://www.reall-languages.com/languages.htm>

Interactive games for English, Languages, Art, Maths

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/drama/shakespeare/60secondshakespeare/watch/>

60 second Shakespeare links

<http://www.poetryclass.net/index.htm>

Poetry website and links

http://www.banbury.oxon.sch.uk/faculties/english/resources/poems_from_different_cultures_guide.pdf

Poems from Different culture notes

<http://www.geoffbarton.co.uk/>

Great Grammar resources

<http://www.brainybetty.com/default.htm>

Great power point backgrounds and other

<http://www.morelearning.net/>

Free resources for English

<http://www.podcastrevision.co.uk/>

Podcast revision for students for English

<http://englishgallery.wetpaint.com/page/CGSE+Key+Stage+4?t=anon>

Scheme of work

<http://www.universalteacher.org.uk/default.htm>

Useful for notes including Poems from Different Cultures

<http://www.allisonmedia.net/>

Excellent Media resources website

<http://www.ugo.com/channels/comics/heroMachine2/heromachine2.asp>

Make your own super hero.

<http://www.ipcmedia.com/>

Great for magazine front covers

<http://www.filmeducation.org/secondary/concept/index.html>

Film concepts and tasks

<http://www.victorianweb.org/>

Great for Victorian research for high achieving GCSE students or A Levels

<http://www.tate.org.uk/>

Visual stimuli Hogarth for Victorian Literature, amongst many others. Gin Lane and Beer Street by Hogarth useful for showing the affluent rich and poor – although not Victorian – before hand.

<http://u.cc.utah.edu/~tsk2/omfpage.html>

Dust heaps – the poor in Victorian society – visual image

<http://humwww.ucsc.edu/dickens/omf/1865.html>

Victorian London 1865 as part of a Charles Dickens project.

Website Teaching and learning resources generic

<http://www.independentthinking.co.uk/>

Innovative thoughts about teaching

www.visualthesaurus.com

Fantastic for varying vocabulary

<http://www.readwritethink.org/materials/timeline/index.html>

Interactive time line can be created.

<http://hans.presto.tripod.com/funfonts.html>

Fun fonts – have to pay for some

<http://cooltext.com/Fonts>

Free fonts including a range of handwriting fonts

<http://www.moorstation.org/fontennium/fontennium.htm>

Old fashioned fonts

<http://www.specialtyfonts.com/>

For special days e.g. Valentine's Day

<http://www.typhenow.net/themed.htm>

Fonts linked to films

<http://www.steljes.co.uk/ProductsServices/Services/Training/TrainingCalendar.htm>

SMART board training

<http://www.teachernet.gov.uk/teachingandlearning/resource...>

Page for lesson plans

www.zoho.com

Online office suite – looks like Word – useful for saving work and being able to go to a website and picking up your work

<http://www.nc.uk.net/webdav/harmonise?Page/@id=6004&Subject/@id=5985>

National Curriculum online for all KS

<http://www.ncaction.org.uk/>

Students' work

<http://www.animationlibrary.com/>

Free animation library

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/history/interactive/timelines/british/index.shtml>

Interactive timeline for historical events

<http://www.techcrunch.com/get-youtube-movie/>

To be able to download Youtube video (legality?)

http://www.lancsngfl.ac.uk/nationalstrategy/literacy/index.php?category_id=156&s=46c607d554316aba69f00008a1db94fc

Wow word prompts from Lancashire NGFL

http://forms.real.com/netzip/intl/intl_getrde601.html?lang=en&h=software-dl.real.com&f=windows/installer/R40UKD/RealPlayer11BETA.exe&p=RealPlayer&oem=rp11b_en_uk&src=fd_uk_playerpg_3module3&tagtype=ie&type=rp11b_en_uk

New version of Real Player If you have the most up-to-date version of the realplayer (the beta version on the relaplayer site) it gives you the option to download most video content from the net. The only ones I have found where this doesn't work are some on the bbc website. I used realplyer to download lots of videos from youtube for a 1960s project I'm doing in September

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http://www.softsland.com/pdf_to_word_converter/download.html

PDF to Word converter

From the Full English – Teaching and Learning strategies

<https://www.blogger.com/start>

Starting up a blog

<http://www.americanrhetoric.com/>

Essential speeches, includes top 100 speeches, movie speeches, audio not visuals.

<http://www.applesandsnakes.org./artists.php>

Poem of the month, by a contemporary poet.

www.imdb.com

Internet Movie Data Base

<http://www.iwmcollections.org.uk/>

Imperial War Collections – First World War Poetry

www.npg.org.uk

National Portrait Gallery – creative writing about a person's life from only seeing their picture.

www.moneyinstructor.com

Fake money but also lessons about money (\$)

www.teach-nology.com

Go to Worksheets> Bingo card generator

3x3 card or

Word scrambler – can then copy and paste into SMART or Word

Lots of other 'generators' as well

<http://www.demgames.org/>

Citizenship games which are free to play. Captain Campaign etc

www.ziv.jerusalem.k12.il/engjacket.doc

Template for a book jacket

<http://www.acs.ucalgary.ca/~dkbrown/storclas.html>

Electronic books

<http://www.mind-mapping.co.uk/>

Tony Buzan includes 'How to Mind Map'

<http://www.wilderdom.com/games/>

Team games, ice breakers lots of very cool games

Great for end of term 'fun' lessons

<http://www.ipl.org/div/kidspage/hello/>

Say Hello and other short phrases in lots of different languages

<http://www.cs.unb.ca/profs/fritz/cs3503/sixhat35.htm>

Information and types of questions for De Bono's Six Hats

<http://www.headfirst.com.au/cms/pages/!/display.html>

Thinking skills

<http://puzzlemaker.school.discovery.com/>

Free for making word searches but be warned, they cannot be saved

<http://www.online-literature.com/>

Lots of preC20 works of literature in full.

<http://www.storylineonline.net/>

Actors reading stories mainly primary

<http://www.rsc.org.uk/explore/>

RSC Shakespeare resources including picture galleries etc.

<http://www.teachers-pet.org/whatistp.html>

Can create word jumbles, crosswords, flashcards etc.

<http://www.spelling.hemscott.net/>

Spelling website

<http://www.globaldimension.org.uk/default.aspx>

Global issues with links to free resources and resources to purchase.

<http://www.teachingideas.co.uk/more/timefiller/contents.htm>

Teaching displays and activities for the start of lessons.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/history/interactive/timelines/british/index.shtml>

Very useful timeline of British events. Journeys can be taken in relation to: Slavery, Women's Rights, Technology and the Kings and Queens.

From Teacher's TV

Website Teachers' comments

www.achuka.co.uk

Contains the latest news about books for young readers, including lists of awards, profiles, interviews, etc. Try also www.lib.lsu.edu/hum/authors.html

www.aqa.org.uk

Contains information on the AQA exam specifications.

www.bbc.co.uk/education

Contains KS3 and GCSE revision activities for pupils, teachers' lesson plans and resources and weekly articles for parents. For access to audio and video news footage try

www.bbc.co.uk/news or www.itn.co.uk

www.becta.org.uk

The Government's lead agency for ICT in education. This site provides advice on ICT for teachers in every curriculum area.

www.bfi.org.uk

Contains useful documents, planning and resources for film and media literacy.

www.bgfl.org.uk

Bolton's virtual teaching and learning centre. Contains links to other websites.

www.bibliomania.com

Provides useful summaries, character studies and valuable brief biographies of authors, plus classic texts that can be downloaded for use.

www.booktrust.org.uk/

Contains reader recommendations, resources from around the world, suggestions for reading clubs, book lists, profiles of authors, etc.

www.booktrusted.co.uk

A good website for children's book-related information of all kinds.

www.byteachers.org.uk

Contains free teaching resources and materials. The 'Virtual School' provides a range of online lessons.

www.channel4.com/learning/main/secondary

Provides access to online learning for the classroom. Just click on 'English'.

www.ebicom.net/-tct/history.htm

Contains information on all aspects of drama history, providing the essential points about theatre design, playwrights and plays for each era.

www.edexcel.org.uk

Contains information on the Edexcel exam specifications.

www.eduseek.com

A general education site, providing a focus on English Language and Literature.

www.e-gfl.org/

The award-winning Essex Grid for Learning website. Contains teaching resources and links to relevant Key Stage 3 National Strategy sites.

www.embc.org.uk

Access to the East Midlands Broadband Consortium, which delivers the Northamptonshire eLearning Portal – www.northamptonshire.gov.uk

www.english1.org.uk

Has links to hundreds of sites and helpful information and resources.

www.englishandmedia.co.uk

Contains details of published materials and some exemplar units of work.

www.englishbiz.co.uk

A GCSE English Language and Literature revision site.

www.englishonline.co.uk

Offers a range of web-delivered, whole-school interactive activities to use in the English classroom and ICT suite. Suitable for all Key Stages. Includes the collapse tool:

www.englishonline.co.uk/freesite_tour/resource/wordlab/collapser.html

www.englishplus.com

A site designed to help with grammar and punctuation.

www.englishresources.co.uk

Excellent on GCSE. Some good resources for work on the anthology.

www.english-teaching.co.uk

Range of resources, ready to print worksheets, some better than others. Will need to pay a subscription to access further resources.

www.filmeducation.org.uk

Provides information on films. Click on the 'Secondary Resources' menu to compare text and film scenarios. Also register for free CDs containing latest film trailers.

www.childdrama.com

Provides drama lesson plans and playlets.

www.guardiancentury.co.uk

This 'Guardian' newspaper archive provides a wealth of news reports from 1899 to 1999. Ideal for studying the language, style and layout newspaper reports.

www.heinemann.co.uk

"UK's leading educational publisher." Use this site to find out about their latest products, view sample pages and discover free resources.

www.hi8us.co.uk

An ambitious still-developing site. The Edrama project encourages pupils to create their own dramas and scripts, using virtual characters and actors.

www.jubileebooks.co.uk

A company designed to offer a wide choice of books and resources from all relevant publishers and to offer expert and impartial advice on choosing them. This site also provides information about book boxes, book fairs and school visits.

www.kidsreview.org.uk

Contains a database of book reviews written by children for children. After being supplied with a password, children can add their own book reviews to the site.

www.learn.co.uk

The Guardian education page. Access to subscription sites available through this site.

www.learningdiscovery.co.uk

The website for Northamptonshire's Learning Discovery Centre. Contains, among other things, exciting details and developments as a result of the NIAS/LDC ICT/e-learning in English Project, including useful free downloads for use in the classroom.

www.leics.gov.uk/education

Contains examples of KS3 units of work and advice on whole school literacy.

www.literacytrust.org.uk/readingconnects

A National Literacy trust initiative designed to "provide the way in to the resources, links and ideas schools need to help them develop a reading ethos." Provides links to a variety of organisations and resources, a guide to storytellers and authors, funding advice, websites to inspire teenagers to read and research, statistics and case studies about reading.

www.nate.org.uk

National Association for the Teaching of English. Contains information on current issues, units of work (including group and guided reading) and details of published resources.

www.ncaction.org.uk/subjects/english

Uses pupils' work and case study materials to show what the National Curriculum in English looks like in practice.

www.ncbc.co.uk

Norfolk Children's Book Centre site – provides information on storytellers, authors, conferences, INSET and mail order purchases.

www.ngfl.gov.uk

National Grid for Learning – the gateway to educational resources on the internet. See www.tre.ngfl.gov.uk for the teacher resource exchange, in which teachers share and evaluate resources for English teaching and learning.

www.northants-ecl.gov.uk/apps/LIS/LRE/HME.asp

Northamptonshire's Learning Resources for Education website. Contains links to sites for a variety of authors, poets and illustrators, as well as 'Text Talk' (a themed book reviewing site) and a 'Literacy Support Page', which links to all major children's book awards and shortlists.

www.novelguide.com

Provides useful summaries, quotes, character studies and valuable brief biographies of authors.

www.ocr.org.uk

Contains information on the OCR exam specifications.

www.poetryclass.net

Contains resources and lessons re: teaching of poetry in KS1 - 4.

www.qca.org.uk

The Qualifications and Curriculum Authority website – contains details about National tests and research/case studies re: assessment, learning, etc.

www.randomhouse.co.uk

This publisher's site contains extracts of their latest texts.

www.readingclub.org.uk

Education Extra's website, containing information on reading clubs and programmes, reading games and activities, suitable texts, etc.

www.rhymezone.com

Enter a word and the online rhyming dictionary comes up with a range of alternatives.

www.schoolsnet.com

Provides online teaching resources for all subjects.

<http://scriptorium.lib.duke.edu/adaccess>

Hosts advertising used across different decades for a range of products/services.

www.shakespeare.org.uk

The Shakespeare Birthplace Trust site includes information about the centre and a short developing collection of A-level essays.

www.shakespeare-online.com

A vast resource for students and teachers - includes essays.

www.shared-visions.com/explore/english

This site reminds students about the basics of grammar.

www.universalteacher.org.uk

Andrew Moore's teaching resources website. Contains resources for teachers and students of English Language, Literature and Drama and basic information about how to acquire skills in ICT and internet technologies.

www.sln.org.uk

Staffordshire County Council's website. The 'web projects' contains information on teaching resources to support English.

www.smartgroups.com/groups/english.teaching

Provides an opportunity for you to share information and network with other people – an online community.

www.spelling.hemscott.net

Provides plenty of reference, exercises and puzzles and advice for parents.

www.standards.dfes.gov.uk/keystage3

Contains National Strategy materials and updates. Access the Primary web by substituting 'literacy' for 'keystage3'.

www.teachernet.gov.uk

Provides access to lesson plans, learning links with the local community and comprehensive directories for Community Learning Grids, teaching unions and other affiliated bodies.

www.teacherxpress.com

"The education web – all in one place – for busy teachers". It contains links to many new sites

in all subject areas.

www.teachit.co.uk

Schemes of work and printable resources provided by teachers. You can pay a subscription for access to extra resources.

www.tes.co.uk/staffroom

Like the newspaper, this contains updates on current issues, job advertisements, teaching materials, etc

www.theatrehistory.com

Provides information about theatre, plays and playwrights.

www.thegrid.org.uk/learning

Hertfordshire's website (a KS3 National Strategy Pilot Authority) – contains tips and resources for teachers on approaches to reading (shared and guided), writing, speaking and listening and the new KS3 SATs.

www.the-times.co.uk

'The Times' online – contains details of the latest news stories as well as feature articles. See also www.mirror.co.uk

for a tabloid version

www.wrx.zen.co.uk/britnews.htm

Gives links to all online British newspapers and some magazines - local, national and regional.

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English teaching links

Our new links page has gone WIKI! You can now add, edit or delete links and even create whole new sections. Use this page to help other teachers find other great websites and resources by suggesting new sites or adding comments to existing links.

[You have to be a Teachit subscriber to get such 'awesome' power. Once signed in it should be self explanatory ... give it a whirl!]

Links

Jump to useful teaching links:

Essentials for English teachers National Association for Teaching of English The organisation that represents English teachers. Read about the wider issues and get involved with your community. Edit

English & Media Centre

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Andrew Moore's English site free resources for English teachers.

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The English Gallery A website created by an English Teacher for English teachers! It contains whole schemes of work for both KS3 and KS4. Each scheme also has high quality resources included as well as simple and clear lesson plans to guide teachers through each activity. Some

schemes and resources have also been differentiated for G&T/SEN/EAL pupils. [Edit](#)

Literary Connections links, books and resources for secondary English - mainly but not exclusively for literature. [Edit](#)

Language in Use resources for the study of language.

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The English Language List (email discussion group for A/AS Lang.)

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Geoff Barton including resources for whole school literacy.

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The English Association

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The English Review from Philip Allan Updates - magazines for A/AS students.

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NCTE US version of NATE and of course bigger. Useful but very busy discussion lists - join and be prepared for hundreds of mails! [Edit](#)

Teacher's Pet Text Tool for Teachers The Teacher's Pet Text Tool is a free add-on for Microsoft Word that can help you transform any text into a fun classroom activity. Developed by a teacher, here are just some of the things the tool can do: Crosswords Flashcards Bingo Cards Jumbles Gap-fill / Cloze tests [Edit](#)

English Department, The Association of Teacher Websites

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Competitions Christopher Tower Poetry Competition organised by ChristChurch, Oxford University.

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Are you running a competition you think we should know about? Drop us a mail!

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The Trollope Short Story Competition for secondary students between the ages of fifteen and nineteen and based on a work of Trollope. [Edit](#)

Scriblist..com Internet collaborative writing project. Become a published author in 6 months.
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Debating competition
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Write Here, Write Now writing competition for years 4 and 5.
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National Poetry Competition from the Poetry Society and
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TES Write Away Competition Win cash prizes and laptop computers with this competition aimed at encouraging young people's writing (aged 11-14). Winning entries are published and a downloadable resource booklet available on the site. Edit

Parliamentary Press Gallery Essay Contest for years 10 to 13.
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Foyle Young Poets of the Year Award
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Newsday Can your school produce a newspaper and/or a news website in a single day?
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Exam boards SQA
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CCEA (Northern Ireland)
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Educational organisations Year of reading organisation a site for teachers, parents, libraries, businesses etc. Includes suggestions on how to get involved. [Edit](#)

National Literacy Trust includes details about a range of initiatives: The National Reading Campaign, Reading Champions (celebrating positive role models for young male readers) and Reading is Fundamental which provides free books for children, interviews with famous readers and competitions. Children can also publish their own book reviews or participate in online writing projects. [Edit](#)

Book Trust funded by the Arts Council, this simple site is easily navigable and fulfils its aim of 'bringing books and people together' by offering recommended reads for children organised by age group and reading ability, best books of the year, bestsellers and awards. [Edit](#)

Becta Schools site the agency which supports all four UK education departments in their strategic ICT developments. [Edit](#)

My Home Library encourage young readers to build their own collection of favourite books .. [Edit](#)

ACCAC Welsh version of the above. [Edit](#)

Ofsted as above, but more so. [Edit](#)

QCA confusing structure means you have to dig around to find essential info about SATs etc. [Edit](#)

Teachernet a portal for teachers. Will take you to other .gov sites and other resources. [Edit](#)

TDA The Training and Development Agency for Schools (formerly TTA) - for trainers and trainees. [Edit](#)

DfES not exactly entertaining, but possibly useful. [Edit](#)

National Grid for Learning this site focuses on IT in learning. Recommended - a trip to the Virtual Teacher Centre holding classroom materials and essential links. Worth a look, though can be difficult to navigate. [Edit](#)

National Curriculum online searchable, downloadable information on the new NC.

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The Standards site a user friendly site (the best of the government's educational offering) with information on the new schemes of work. Edit

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Teaching portals English Teaching in the UK a good starting point for your research...

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Association of Teacher Websites loads of free resources from teacher built web sites.

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Online Teachers Net another teachers' portal, including jobs and curriculum links.

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TEEM 'Teachers Evaluating Educational Materials' - worth a look if you're considering buying software or for their growing list of evaluated web sites (note, though, that sites have to pay to be evaluated) Edit

Topmarks a very useful but increasingly unwieldy choice of teaching resources on the web.

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Schoolzone a comprehensive site for teachers, including news, information, an online staffroom and classroom resources. Edit

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The media - Educational / literary London Review of Books Online

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Radio 4 site Hours could be usefully spent browsing here.

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The Times Literary Supplement

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BBC includes the Bitesize Revision section, and the fantastic

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Channel4 Learning includes Netnotes, free online resources linked to programme output and videos. Edit

Times Educational Supplement an online version.

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The media - News - Broadcast ITN

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Channel 4 news

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CNN

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BBC News Check out their daily email of customisable news which could be enormously valuable as part of a classroom project. Or, for a genuine newsroom feel, why not download a 'News Ticker', a toolbar which sits on your screen and is constantly updated with headlines?

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BBC Newsround Pupil friendly online news.

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The media - News - Broadsheets The Guardian

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The media - News - International The Paperboy Visit this site for access to news from around the world.

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The New York Times

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The Washington Post

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Publishing companies Virago Features: Reading guides.

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Heinemann Features: sample free resources, eg practice tests for years 7 and 8 and sample modules for A2 AQA specifications. Schemes of work for New Windmills novels. Edit

Random House Features: ebooks*, Toni Morrison.

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Scholastic.com: Harry Potter is the star of this Publisher's site, but it also includes the Goosebump series, with areas for teachers, kids and parents. Edit

Penguin Classics Features: featured articles, for example Elaine Showalter on Zola, teachers' guides (mainly Shakespeare). Edit

Macmillan Education

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Penguin Features: ebooks* such as Stone Cold and English Passengers.

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Oxford University Press Features: children's fiction section with tips for creative writing from Gillian Cross and recommended books. Edit

Cambridge University Press Features: interactive English Basics exercises.

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Faber and Faber Features: author interviews, eg Ishiguro, Heaney.

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Bloomsbury Features: beautiful, interactive Harry Potter sub site, writers' area, reviews, first chapters and a free online database of reference works. [Edit](#)

Longman Features: useful teaching tips and some classroom resources.

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Hodder Literature Features: a selection of novels for the Key Stage 3 classroom from authors such as David Almond, along with free resource material including lesson plans and photocopiable worksheets. [Edit](#)

Collins Education Features: details on all Collins titles for frameworking, fiction, poetry, drama etc and a number of free downloads. [Edit](#)

Harper Collins Features: author pages including Tolkein, Lessing and Woolf, extracts, author clips and reading guides for a range of books. [Edit](#)

Harcourt Part of Heinemann, this link takes you to free resources for a variety of KS3 , 4 and 5 texts. [Edit](#)

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Generally literary ibiblio another vast e-library.

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Bibliomania.com a very easy to use library of classic e-texts, searchable and downloadable. Now also includes study guides. [Edit](#)

Bartleby Great Books Online a database of the classic texts.

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Page by page books classic (US) texts online.

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Centurions A BBC site containing information on the greatest writers, painters, architects, film-makers, designers, sculptors and poets of our century. [Edit](#)

19th Century British and Irish Authors a massive gateway site to all the known websites on 19th century British and Irish authors; a good starting point for anyone carrying out research

into 19th century writers. Also includes links to other, earlier, writers. Edit

eserver.org vast amount of online Arts materials.

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Bookhooks illustrated book reports online.

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Thesaurus.com lots of useful info and activities for playing around with words.

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Humbul Humanities Hub aims to be UK higher and further education's first choice for accessing online humanities resources. Edit

About's Arts Index and another!

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Books Unlimited from the Guardian - really useful research starting point - includes information about authors, reviews, first chapters, top tens. Edit

The Poetry Archive Aims to be 'the world's largest and best equipped collection of poets reading their own work'. Unique recordings - and teaching materials too. Edit

Save the Children's Back to School Site a new site to raise awareness of displaced children around the world, and to help teachers with the citizenship component of the national curriculum, containing structured lesson plans in Art, English, Drama and PSHE. Edit

National Poetry Day (9th October 2003). This year's theme is Britain. Take part in the Poetry Landmarks initiative - a project to map poetry related things on an interactive map, use the teacher's toolkit for help with planning an event, how to order a poster and a selection of lesson plans, or submit your own three lines to Roger McGough's patchwork poem. Edit

National Children's Book Week Visit to find out about organising your own event or to order / download lovely resources. Edit

BBC Arts Web guide try the publishers section. Handy.

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Art in Time Literary history with an artistic twist.

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Talking to .. Jane Austen, Charles Dickens, George Orwell, William Shakespeare, Virginia Woolf.

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Young Writer Magazine a platform for writers aged 18 and under, including lots of ideas,

competitions etc. A useful teacher resource although aimed primarily at young people. Edit

Heath Anthology of American Literature

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The Poetry Book Society

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Luminarium v. useful for Literary research.

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Living Words Education at the British Library.

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Novel Guide another good place to start your literary research.

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Spark Notes from Harvard. Solid stuff for learning about a range of texts (including Shakespeare, Animal Farm, Lord of the Flies, Beloved, Of Mice and Men, The Handmaid's Tale ...)

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4literature.net a free etext library of classic texts.

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<http://www.lovereadingschools> reluctant readers survey The National Literacy Trust and Lovereading4schools want your help in choosing books for reluctant readers. Edit

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ICT Eduforum ICT tutorials, forums, review and more ...

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Google.co.uk probably the best search engine?

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Half Baked Software use this free tool to create your own educational interactive exercises. (We'll even publish them here at Teachit if you like!) Edit

Question Tools or, use this one!

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