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The CCDMD Website Directory is a handy tool for teachers and students. This compilation of more than 150 useful sites for English language learning will enhance any classroom activity. It features informed descriptions, straightforward search options, and excellent resources.

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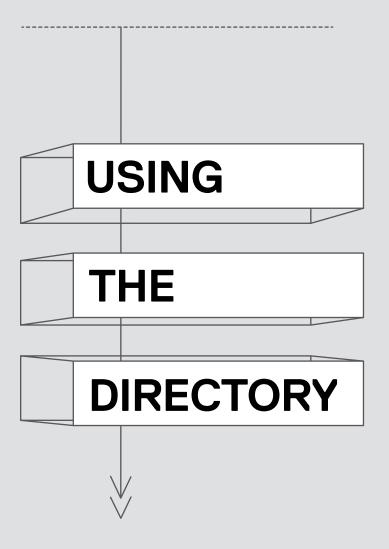
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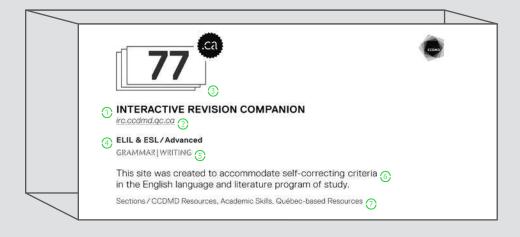
The English-Language Division of the CCDMD is very proud to publish the 6th edition of its *Website Directory* for English-Language Improvement 2013–2014. Updated with a new Grammar Section, this collection of over 150 basic-to-advanced resources for students learning English or using English for academic purposes is also available online at www.ccdmd.qc.ca/en/internet\_directory.

Like previous editions, our Website Directory includes an index to help you quickly find sites that interest you, and it also features user-friendly sections, from our Top 20 sites to websites related to the CCDMD, resources for building academic skills to those created by local institutions, not to mention sites just for teachers.

Preference has been given to sites with multimedia tools that are free, easy to use, and possess clear educational value. Following requests from teachers in the network, we have regrouped all grammar-related sites into a separate section. As the Internet is constantly evolving, we appreciate receiving your feedback if you discover any problems as you explore our Directory.

This useful guide is also available as a free, printable PDF. Please consult the website to get your copy!





### 1 TITLE

The Directory is organized in alphabetical order according to the title of each website. Each entry is numbered in Section 1/ Alphabetical List of Resources. This number is included if the entry is repeated in another section for easy reference back to the full description.

### (2) ADDRESS

The URL for each site is included.

### (3) ICONS

Image icons are included in each entry to provide further information. These include:



Entry number as listed in Section 1/ Alphabetical List of Resources



Entry number as listed in Sections 2-7; small number shows order, large number is the site reference



Canadian sites

New.

Sites not included in the previous Directory



**CCDMD** Resources

### 4 TARGET AUDIENCE AND LEVEL

Each description includes which target audience would benefit most from the website, as well as its level of difficulty.

### Target Audiences

ELIL English Language of Instruction and Literature (English Institutions)

ESL English as a Second Language (English and French Institutions)

### LEVELS

- Beginner
- Intermediate
- Advanced
- All levels

### (5) KEYWORDS

Keywords help students quickly find websites using specific information and are grouped into two categories: objectives and themes.

### Objectives

Objectives are English-language skills that improve learning, comprehension, and ability in core competencies.

- Grammar
- Listening
- Reading
- Speaking
- Vocabulary
- Watching
- Writing

### Themes

Themes are topic areas for students with diverse interests who may be enrolled in different disciplines.

- Applied English (B-Block)
- Art and Images
- History and Culture
- Literature
- News
- Science
- Social Science
- Sports
- Technical Language
- Translation

### (6) DESCRIPTIONS

The descriptions are notes, in point form, that describe what to expect when visiting a website. These notes refer to elements of each site that are most relevant for college students, as well as English learners in general.

### (7) SECTIONS

The websites are organized into sections to help you find what you need more easily. New to this year's edition is a grammar section.

Section 1 includes an alphabetical and numbered list of all websites with detailed descriptions. Sites repeated in other sections will feature a short description with a reference to the more detailed entry in Section 1.





This is a complete alphabetical and numbered list of all the English-language improvement websites in this Directory. Entries include web addresses and useful information such as target audiences and learning levels, keywords, and descriptions.

Shortened versions appear in all other sections.

# A LIST OF RESOURCES

77 Entry number as listed in Section 1/ Alphabetical List of Resources .ca Sites not included in the previous Directory CCDMD Resources



# 1000 IMAGES ON THE TIP OF MY TONGUE

http://expressions.ccdmd.qc.ca/

### ELIL & ESL/All levels

WATCHING | VOCABULARY | HISTORY AND CULTURE | TRANSLATION

This interactive site focuses on idiomatic expressions that have the same meaning in French, English, and Spanish, yet cannot be translated word for word. Each language has its own section – just choose which you want.

- over 1000 expressions and their equivalents organized by theme
- context of each expression provided and illustrated
- pronunciation tool
- exercises

Sections / CCDMD Resources, Québec-based Resources



# A+ RESEARCH AND WRITING FOR HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE STUDENTS

www.ipl.org/div/aplus

# ELIL & ESL/Intermediate-Advanced WRITING

With numerous helpful articles, this site offers a comprehensive initiation into the many skills involved in academic writing. The information presented will help students:

- get organized
- choose and develop a topic
- gather information
- form a thesis statement
- write the paper
- revise their writing

Sections / Academic Skills



# ACADEMIC SKILLS CENTRE (DAWSON COLLEGE)

http://bit.ly/dawsonacademicskills

### ELIL & ESL/All levels

GRAMMAR | READING | VOCABULARY | WRITING

This site provides CEGEP students with resources to improve their writing and to prepare for Québec's *Ministerial Examination of College English* (English Exit Exam). Find help with:

- essay writing
- note-taking
- test-taking
- time management

Sections / Top 20 Resources, Academic Skills, Québecbased Resources



New!

### THE ACADEMIC WORD LIST

www.victoria.ac.nz/lals/resources/academicwordlist/

### ELIL & ESL/Intermediate-Advanced

**VOCABULARY | WRITING** 

Averil Coxhead developed and evaluated The Academic Word List (AWL) for her MA thesis. This list is a very useful academic resource for both English teachers and learners.

- Information
- Sublists
- Headwords
- Frequent words
- Useful links

Sections / Academic Skills, Teacher Resources



### **AIRBORN**

http://www.kennethoppel.ca/airborn/newspaper01.shtml

### ELIL & ESL/Intermediate-Advanced

LITERATURE | READING

In this visually creative and original multimedia site, Kenneth Oppel uses his vision of a futuristic past to explore flying machines. Those who enjoy reading fantasy will love this site, which allows users to:

- navigate pseudo newspapers
- view intricate illustrations
- read three different stories



### **ALPHADICTIONARY**

www.alphadictionary.com

### ELIL & ESL/All levels

GRAMMAR | READING | VOCABULARY | WRITING |
APPLIED ENGLISH

This site provides access to several English dictionaries, including an extensive, alphabetically presented list of specialty dictionaries. It includes:

- dictionaries
- aames
- quizzes
- discussion groups
- linguistic analyses



### **ANGLIK**

www.anglik.net

### ESL/All levels

GRAMMAR | LISTENING | READING | SPEAKING | VOCABULARY | WRITING | ART AND IMAGES | HISTORY AND CULTURE | LITERATURE | NEWS

This hub lists over 30 links to innovative and unusual language improvement tools that explore diverse forms of culture and entertainment. Some of the activities available on the site include:

- song lyrics
- newspapers
- word games
- slang
- iokes
- quotations
- films
- pen pals



### **BASIC GRAMMAR EXERCISES**

www.autoenglish.org/basicgrammar.htm

### ESL/Beginner-Intermediate

GRAMMAR | LISTENING | READING | SPEAKING | VOCABULARY | WATCHING | WRITING | APPLIED ENGLISH | SOCIAL SCIENCE

This multi-purpose site offers a ton of exercises and quizzes for all levels of ESL, including:

- complete courses based on themes
- grammar notions with links to grammar and vocabulary quizzes
- listening and reading comprehension
- separate sections for teacher and student resources
- MP3 and video lesson links provide a wide range of learning options

Sections / Grammar Resources



### BBC WORLD SERVICE: LEARNING ENGLISH

www.bbc.co.uk/worldservice/learningenglish

### ESL/All levels

GRAMMAR | LISTENING | READING | VOCABULARY |
APPLIED ENGLISH | LITERATURE | NEWS | SOCIAL SCIENCE
ISPORTS

The British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC) offers ESL students a website based on the news of the day. Check out the following sections:

- General & Business English features Talk about English, which showcases podcasts to support English-language learners
- Grammar, Vocabulary & Pronunciation
- Community allows students to chat, participate in projects, and learn about others studying English around the world
- Words in the News offers opportunities to learn new vocabulary and read current news
- Quizzes offers an archive of tests with new ones featured weekly



### BEDFORD/ST. MARTIN'S

www.bedfordstmartins.com

### ELIL & ESL/Advanced

READING | WRITING

Citing research sources from the Internet is an ever-changing art that students who write essays and research papers need to master. This site offers easy-to-follow and up-to-date information on Internet source citations such as:

- Modern Language Association (MLA)
- American Psychological Association (APA)
- Chicago Manual of Style, and other styles

Sections / Academic Skills



# BEST INTERNET SITES FOR LEARNING ENGLISH

home.hiroshima-u.ac.jp/flare/EnglishStudySite.html

### ESL/All levels

LISTENING | READING | SPEAKING | WATCHING | WRITING | NEWS | SOCIAL SCIENCE

This simple site, geared primarily to Asian students, has a collection of valuable links to useful ESL activities and quizzes. It features:

- quick access to reputable sites
- sites organized by skill and level
- podcasts, tests, fun facts, etc.



# THE BEST SOURCE FOR CANADIAN SCIENCE

www.science.ca

### ELIL & ESL/Intermediate-Advanced

READING | APPLIED ENGLISH | SCIENCE

Sponsored by Canada's top scientific institutions, this website is sure to interest science buffs with its extensive information, activities, and references to everything related to Canadian science. It includes:

- profiles of Canadian scientists
- quizzes
- podcasts
- question and answer features
- links to other science-based websites



### **BLACK THEATRE WORKSHOP**

www.blacktheatreworkshop.ca

### ELIL & ESL/Intermediate-Advanced

WATCHING | ART AND IMAGES | LITERATURE

Created to encourage and promote the development of Black and Canadian Theatre, the site offers information on Black Theatre Workshop programming where students benefit from a wonderful variety of productions including:

- mainstage performances
- school tours
- poetry jams
- evening performances from a variety of local and international playwrights

Sections / Québec-based Resources. Teacher Resources



### BLINKX

www.blinkx.com

### ESL/Beginner-Intermediate

LISTENING | WATCHING | SPEAKING | ART AND IMAGES |
HISTORY AND CULTURE | NEWS | SOCIAL SCIENCE | SPORTS

This site offers over 35 million hours of video, searchable in various ways, such as *inform me* (news), *entertain me* (fun videos), and *give me* (create personalized channel). A great site to help improve comprehension skills, it includes:

- good quality videos
- useful for discussion or project-based activities

Sections / Top 20 Resources



# BREAKING NEWS ENGLISH: READY-TO-USE ESL LESSONS

www.breakingnewsenglish.com

### ESL/Beginner-Intermediate

LISTENING | READING | SPEAKING | VOCABULARY | WATCHING | WRITING | NEWS

While offering an opportunity to improve listening comprehension and reading skills with daily news stories, this site also provides:

- complete lesson plans for each news topic
- links to other sites for learning English



### BRITISH COUNCIL: LEARN ENGLISH CENTRAL

learnenglish.britishcouncil.org/en

### ESL/Beginner-Intermediate

GRAMMAR | LISTENING | READING | VOCABULARY | APPLIED ENGLISH | NEWS | SOCIAL SCIENCE

As the name implies, the purpose of the site is to facilitate online learning with the help of reading and listening exercises, games, and activities. It also allows users to learn about British culture and features:

- well-structured content
- easy to navigate
- business English activities



### **BUSINESS ENGLISH**

www.business-english.com

### ESL/Beginner-Intermediate

GRAMMAR | LISTENING | VOCABULARY | APPLIED ENGLISH

A straightforward, no-frills site that offers exercises to help with common business English phrases and expressions. Some topics include:

- meetings
- telephone use
- negotiations

Sections / Top 20 Resources



### **CAMBRIDGE DICTIONARIES ONLINE**

dictionary.cambridge.org

### **ELIL & ESL/All levels**

GRAMMAR | VOCABULARY | APPLIED ENGLISH

A free online dictionary from the reputable Cambridge University Press. Resources include:

- dictionaries (with American and British spellings)
- thesaurus
- visual thesaurus, offering word maps to stimulate vocabulary acquisition
- excellent blog About Words
- pronunciation dictionary



### **CAMPUS ACCESS**

www.campusaccess.com

### ELIL & ESL/Intermediate-Advanced

READING | HISTORY AND CULTURE

International and ESL students can practise English skills on this site while researching a college career in Canada. This complete resource guide for the Canadian student offers information on the following areas:

- exam prep tips
- internships
- education
- careers
- financial aid
- student life



### CANADA IN THE MAKING

www.canadiana.ca/citm

### ELIL & ESL/Intermediate-Advanced

READING | ART AND IMAGES | HISTORY AND CULTURE | SCIENCE | SOCIAL SCIENCE

Through this site, Canadian history is portrayed in the words of its people by combining original narrative texts with primary historical documents. Lesson plans are also available in many subject areas. Explore the history of:

- Canada's Aboriginal peoples
- Canada's constitution
- pioneers
- immigrants



# CANADIAN ASSOCIATION OF SECOND LANGUAGE TEACHERS (CASALT)

www.caslt.org

### FSI / All levels

LISTENING | READING | SPEAKING | WATCHING | WRITING

Information and resources for second language teachers, including:

- newsletters
- conferences
- teaching materials
- reports on teaching methods
- support for new teachers

Sections / Teacher Resources



### CANADIAN ENCYCLOPEDIA

www.thecanadianencyclopedia.com

### ELIL & ESL/Intermediate-Advanced

LISTENING | READING | APPLIED ENGLISH | ART AND IMAGES | HISTORY AND CULTURE | SCIENCE | SOCIAL SCIENCE

This encyclopedia is the most comprehensive, objective, and accurate source of information on Canada. Use the site to research any of the 8 million words and 20 000 articles on Canadiana. In the *Explore* section, find exciting activities such as:

- gallery (thematic search engine)
- quote or fact of the day
- Canucklehead quiz
- games and animations
- a searchable historical timeline



### CAPS (CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY)

http://bit.ly/capsconcordia

### **ELIL**

APPLIED ENGLISH

The Concordia Career and Placement Centre aims to educate students about the job market and career options. The site:

- provides coaching through the job search process
- facilitates access to relevant summer, parttime, internship, and entry-level positions
- links to a variety of places for updating language skills in Montréal

Sections / Québec-based Resources



# CBC (CANADIAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION)

www.cbc.ca

### ELIL & ESL/All levels

LISTENING | READING | WATCHING | HISTORY AND CULTURE | NEWS | SCIENCE | SOCIAL SCIENCE | SPORTS

One of the nation's major cultural institutions, the CBC has documented the news and Canadian history since the 1930s. Via its website, learners access a wide variety of information relevant to all facets of Canadian culture, such as news, sports, and entertainment. Don't forget to scroll down to access CBC features, radio, and television. Local, regional, and top news stories are here, as well CBC resources, such as books and digital archives.

- documentaries
- CBC Player (for videos)
- CBC shop



### **CBC DIGITAL ARCHIVES**

archives.cbc.ca

### **ELIL & ESL/All levels**

LISTENING | READING | WATCHING | HISTORY AND CULTURE | NEWS | SCIENCE | SOCIAL SCIENCE | SPORTS

A vast collection of free radio and television clips to help improve listening and comprehension skills. Access audio and video by entering search terms or browsing categories like Economy & Business, Arts & Entertainment, Environment, Health, Lifestyle, Politics, Science & Technology, Society, Sports, and War & Conflict. The site also features:

- current and past events via sections like On This Day, Great Interviews, and Guess Who
- educational materials organized by level (intended for Grades 6–12, but also useful for adult beginning and intermediate-English learners)



### **CBC ESL**

www.cbc.ca/edmonton/learning-english/index.html

### ESL/All levels

LISTENING | READING | VOCABULARY | WATCHING | HISTORY AND CULTURE | SCIENCE | SOCIAL SCIENCE | SPORTS

This Ottawa-based site has ten English lessons for all levels with a focus on introducing new-comers to Canadian culture. It allows you to:

- view media clips
- follow along with a transcript
- participate in Before you listen/watch, While you Listen/watch, and After you Listen/ watch activities



### **CBC RADIO**

http://www.cbc.ca/player/Radio/

### ELIL & ESL/All levels

LISTENING | HISTORY AND CULTURE | NEWS | SCIENCE | SOCIAL SCIENCE | SPORTS

Improve listening comprehension and vocabulary with CBC Radio One, where programs are listed by city (news and talk shows) or access CBC Radio Two (music with commentary). The spoken English is clear and of excellent quality. The site features:

- regularly updated content
- varied subjects
- current events
- lists of other CBC Radio sites arranged by topic



### **CBC VIDEO**

www.cbc.ca/video

### ELIL & ESL/All levels

WATCHING | HISTORY AND CULTURE | NEWS | SCIENCE | SOCIAL SCIENCE | SPORTS

Yet another fantastic CBC resource to practise comprehension skills is this video site, where you can view television shows, news, and sports.

- watch popular television shows such as Dragon's Den, Market Place, The Fifth Estate, and The National
- CBC Radio can also be accessed through this site



### **CENTAUR THEATRE**

www.centaurtheatre.com

### ELIL & ESL/Intermediate-Advanced

WATCHING | LITERATURE

Montréal's premier English-language theatre, Centaur Theatre Company, is located in Old Montréal and presents both classic and contemporary plays. The theatre:

- offers students a special rate to attend world-class productions
- is acknowledged as a leader in presenting translated French-language plays from Québec

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# CENTRE FOR CANADIAN LANGUAGE BENCHMARKS (CCLB)

www.language.ca

### ESL/All levels

APPLIED ENGLISH | HISTORY AND CULTURE

The CCLB develops national standards for the development of benchmarks and promotes programs to assist immigrants in attaining these standards. For professionals, the site provides information on:

- language benchmark definitions and specifications
- language proficiency
- approved CLB tests
- specific placement exams
- workplace assessment and assessment centres

Sections / Teacher Resources



# CHURCHILL HOUSE SCHOOL OF ENGLISH LANGUAGE

www.churchillhouse.com/en/online-english

### ESL/All levels

GRAMMAR | READING | VOCABULARY | WRITING

Packed with clear and easy to follow activities for beginner to advanced students, this British site is a good place to go for grammar help. It includes:

- online placement tests
- exam guides
- grammar exercises
- reading activities
- useful discussions on its forum

Sections / Grammar Resources



### **COLLABORIZE CLASSROOM**

collaborizeclassroom.com

### ELIL & ESL/All levels

LISTENING | READING | SPEAKING | WATCHING

This site provides a user-friendly discussion and learning platform for students in any discipline. Easy to set up and visually attractive, it offers opportunities to:

- create interactive content including polls, forums, and guizzes
- engage students in debates and discussions
- invent questions while embedding video, artwork, or articles

Sections / Teacher Resources



# COLLEGE ENGLISH PREP ONLINE (CEPO)

www.ccdmd.qc.ca/en/cepo

### ELIL & ESL/Intermediate-Advanced

LISTENING | READING | SPEAKING | VOCABULARY | WRITING | LITERATURE

Designed to help improve essay-writing skills and build self-study using literature, this site facilitates students' ability to:

- listen to and read literary selections
- learn and practise how to identify and analyze literary texts
- record answers to exercises and verify pronunciation
- develop effective writing techniques

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### COMMON CRAFT

www.commoncraft.com

### **ELIL & ESL/All levels**

LISTENING | WATCHING | SOCIAL SCIENCE

Offering clear and simple explanations of web technology and money management, this site uses short videos and cartoon cut-outs to teach basic concepts, with clear explanations offered in "plain" English. Topics include:

- social media
- podcasting
- cloud concepts



### **CRISSCROSS WORDS 3.3**

www.ccdmd.qc.ca/eng/catalog/crisscross-words

### ELIL & ESL/All levels

APPLIED ENGLISH | VOCABULARY

Crisscross Words is free downloadable software created to facilitate the acquisition of specialized vocabulary quickly. Users can:

- design and create personal dictionaries from which crossword puzzles can be generated
- convert the puzzles directly into HTML to be used on the Internet
- access an example of a dictionary and puzzle on modern history

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# CRITICALLY ANALYZING INFORMATION SOURCES (CORNELL UNIVERSITY)

http://bit.ly/analyzeinformation

### ELIL & ESL/All levels

WRITING

This site helps with essays and research papers, taking users through a process that facilitates:

- a critical assessment of print and online sources to help decide whether they are appropriate or not
- an analysis of content information

Sections / Academic Skills



### **DAVE'S ESL CAFE**

www.eslcafe.com

### ESL/All levels

GRAMMAR | READING | LISTENING | VOCABULARY | WRITING

Welcoming and popular, *Dave's ESL Cafe* is not *just* about Dave Sperling, but the personal way he presents the material distinguishes this site from others like it. Found in almost every ESL directory, the *Cafe* offers links to material for students and teachers. Despite an abundance of commercial links, students have free access to:

- grammar exercises
- a Help Centre
- discussion forums



### **DICTIONARY.COM**

dictionary.reference.com

### ELIL & ESL/All levels

**VOCABULARY** 

This free extensive dictionary search engine also includes a comprehensive online thesaurus. Fun extras include:

- a crossword solver
- word games
- word of the day, and more

Sections / Top 20 Resources



### **EARLY CANADIANA ONLINE**

http://eco.canadiana.ca/?usrlang=en

### ELIL & ESL/Intermediate-Advanced

READING | ART AND IMAGES | HISTORY AND CULTURE | SOCIAL SCIENCE

Produced by *Canadiana.org*, this evolving digital library includes seven online collections representing over three million pages of early Canadian texts. From this site, it is possible to access:

- early Canadiana Online (online collection of print heritage)
- Canadiana Discovery Portal (a Canadianaspecific search engine)
- publications (regular newsletters pertaining to Canadiana.org)

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### **EDU (YOUTUBE)**

www.youtube.com/edu

### ELIL & ESL/All levels

LISTENING | SPEAKING | VOCABULARY | WATCHING |
APPLIED ENGLISH | ART AND IMAGES | HISTORY AND
CULTURE | NEWS | SCIENCE | SOCIAL SCIENCE | SPORTS

This site is a great option for teachers in need of free video content. It features:

- short, topical, current events stories for discussions with students or starting points for projects
- opportunities for students to create their own videos to be uploaded and rated by fellow students
- search function by education levels

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### **ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE**

www.rong-chang.com

### ESL/Beginner-Intermediate

GRAMMAR|LISTENING|READING|SPEAKING|VOCABULARY|WRITING

This site offers complete support for ESL students, with its own material, as well as links to other useful resources. Interesting features include:

- Pronouncing Dictionary of the Most Common Proper Nouns
- ESL Online Talk Community
- Ron's ESL Bloas
- Ask an Expert Teacher feature
- 100 Short Stories for ESL Learners allows students to listen to a text as it is read aloud, with accompanying grammar, comprehension, and dictation exercises

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### **ENGLISH CENTRAL**

www.enalishcentral.com

### ESL/All levels

LISTENING | SPEAKING | WATCHING | NEWS | SOCIAL SCIENCE

This site allows users to watch video clips while a script scrolls underneath, with a facility to click on words for pronunciation and a definition. Students can hook up a microphone and record their own voices reading the script along with the video. The site offers:

- current themes and topics
- excellent pronunciation practice

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### **ENGLISH CLUB**

www.englishclub.com

### ESL/Beginner-Intermediate

GRAMMAR | LISTENING | READING | SPEAKING | VOCABULARY | WRITING | ART AND IMAGES | HISTORY AND CULTURE | LITERATURE | NEWS

Originating in Cambridge, England, the site uses the *Concise Oxford Dictionary of Current English* as a reference, but includes pages from Canadian and American English sources, and points out the differences where applicable. Students can create a personal webpage and find other schools and pen pals. It includes:

- access to English grammar
- discussions with other users
- games and guizzes
- vocabulary and pronunciation practice

Sections / Grammar Resources



# ENGLISH EXIT EXAM (MINISTERIAL EXAMINATION OF COLLEGE ENGLISH LANGUAGE OF INSTRUCTION AND LITERATURE)

http://www.mesrst.gouv.qc.ca/en/commun/epreuveuniforme-danglais-en-anglais-seulement/

### ELIL

READING | WRITING

Everything you ever wanted to know about Québec's English Exit Exam (EEE) for CEGEP students, but never dared to ask! It includes:

- a general introduction to the exam
- an explanation of the criteria for passing it
- the exam schedule
- links to past exam guestions
- an FAQ document: All You Need to Know: A-Z
- the Marking Guide with sample student essays and marking explanations

Sections / Academic Skills, Québec-based Resources



### ENGLISH EXIT EXAM PREPARATION FOR ENGLISH CEGEPS (QUÉBEC COLLEGE LEVEL)

http://bit.ly/eeeccdmd

### EL II

LITERATURE | READING | WRITING

This resource provides readings, as well as readings with exercises in PDF format that help students prepare for the Québec College English Exit Exam. The exercises cover content from the following categories used to grade the exam:

- comprehension and insight
- organization of response
- expression

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### **ENGLISH LANGUAGE IMPROVEMENT**

www.englishlanguageimprovement.blogspot.com

### ESL/All levels

GRAMMAR|LISTENING|READING|WRITING|VOCABULARY

This site has links to tests and exercises on the four skills. Such as:

- videos
- free lessons
- tips on speaking English fluently

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### **ENGLISH LESSONS AND TESTS**

www.englishlearner.com

### ESL/All levels

GRAMMAR|LISTENING|READING|WRITING|VOCABULARY

With a nice conversational tone and a sense of humour, this site provides many simple and effective lessons and tests. Types of activities include:

- arammar
- reading comprehension
- vocabulary

Sections / Top 20 Resources



# ENGLISH NOW: AN ONLINE TUTORIAL (VANIER COLLEGE)

http://bit.ly/englishnow

### ELIL & ESL/All levels

GRAMMAR | LISTENING | READING | WRITING | VOCABULARY

This site offers great material to help you learn how and when to use each of the English verb tenses. Concepts are presented through stories or texts written by Vanier students. The themes are intercultural, and many focus on current events in and around Montréal.

The tutorial features:

- carefully sequenced exercises
- reading comprehension practice
- vocabulary
- listening skills

Note: Make sure the volume on your computer is turned way up! Sections / Top 20 Resources, Québec-based Resources



# ENGLISH ONLINE (UNIVERSITÉ DE FRANCHE-CONTÉ, FRANCE)

eolf.univ-fcomte.fr

### FSI / All levels

GRAMMAR | LISTENING | READING | SPEAKING | WATCHING | WRITING

This site presents activities for all levels divided by skill, with sections covering:

- listening
- grammar
- pronunciation
- academic reading and writing
- links to other resources



### ENGLISH PAGE

www.englishpage.com/index.html

### ESL/All levels

GRAMMAR

This excellent ESL site has both explanations and online grammar exercises which would be of use to all levels. In addition, there are links to reading and listening sources as well as online games. This site is both practical and fun.

- Grammar tutorials
- Online exercises
- Student forums
- ESL games

Sections / Grammar Resources



# ENGLISH PRONUNCIATION/LISTENING (OKANAGAN COLLEGE)

international.ouc.bc.ca/pronunciation

### ESL/All levels

LISTENING | SPEAKING | WATCHING

Check out this site for some of the best free pronunciation material available. There are 13 units to help second-language learners improve their pronunciation and listening skills. It includes:

- a focus on a different target sound in each unit
- video demonstrations that show clearly how to pronounce target sounds
- practice exercises to accompany explanations



### **ENGLISH-TEST.NET**

www.english-test.net

### ESL/All levels

GRAMMAR | READING | SPEAKING | VOCABULARY | WRITING | APPLIED ENGLISH | LITERATURE | SOCIAL SCIENCE

This site lists easily accessible online tests pertaining to various English grammar topics, special themes, and TOEFL-style exam preparation organized into levels of difficulty. Some of the language areas covered include:

- grammar
- vocabulary
- business English
- common errors
- idioms

Sections / Grammar Resources



### **ENGLISH-TEST.US**

english-test.us

### ESL/All levels

LISTENING | READING | WRITING | GRAMMAR | VOCABULARY | APPLIED ENGLISH

This site helps test ESL skills and determines students' levels. Teachers will find this site useful as a grammar review because many different grammar points are evaluated and the quizzes are easy to find. It also includes:

- business English
- games and activities
- grammar quizzes
- idioms
- synonym practice
- vocabulary

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New!

www.esldesk.com

### ESL/Beginner-Intermediate

GRAMMAR | READING | VOCABULARY

This site for ESL learners has explanations and exercises related to grammar, reading, and vocabulary. Of particular interest is the ESL reader, which allows learners to paste a text into the tool, and the tool provides references for each word. This allows readers to develop their comprehension.

- Grammar
- Reading comprehension tool (online)
- Spelling
- Vocabulary

Sections / Teacher Resources



### **ESL BLUES**

ww2.college-em.gc.ca/prof/epritchard

### ESL/All levels

GRAMMAR | READING | VOCABULARY | WRITING | HISTORY AND CULTURE | SOCIAL SCIENCE

Developed by Eifion Pritchard, an English teacher at Collège Édouard-Montpetit in Longueuil, Québec, this site is packed with helpful resources for ESL and other learners. Many of the activities focus on the Montréal area events and situations and include:

- content arranged by topic (parts of speech, verb tenses, etc.) and type (grammar tutorials, etc.)
- multiple ways to search for information (general and specific)
- various levels of pre-tests are offered and errors lead students to other quizzes, exercises, and specific sections of the site that they may find helpful

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### ESL GOLD New

www.eslgold.com

### ESL/ Beginner-Intermediate

GRAMMAR | LISTENING | READING | SPEAKING | VOCABULARY

This ESL study and learning materials site is very complete. You will find many ESL activities here for both students and teachers, some of which include:

- Conversation ideas
- Words in the news
- Reading exercises
- Grammar explanations

Sections / Teacher Resources



# ESLNOTES.COM: THE ENGLISH LEARNER MOVIE GUIDES

www.eslnotes.com

### ESL/All levels

READING | VOCABULARY | WATCHING

Don't expect to find free movies on this site – just a multitude of guides that provide:

- easy accessibility guides are listed by movie title
- plot summaries of popular films
- character lists
- glossaries
- brief discussions of cultural references



### **ESL PARTYLAND**

www.eslpartyland.com

### ESL/Beginner-Intermediate

GRAMMAR | LISTENING | READING | VOCABULARY | WATCHING | WRITING | APPLIED ENGLISH | SOCIAL SCIENCE

This site offers ESL teaching and learning materials ideas, using music, film, and video to help practise conversation, grammar, listening, and speaking skills. It features:

- clear division of teaching and learning sections
- English lessons, quizzes, and games
- lesson plans, teaching strategies, and resources

Sections / Grammar Resources



# ESL READING: ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNING MATERIALS FOR STUDENTS & TEACHERS

www.eslreading.org

### ESL/Beginner-Intermediate

LISTENING | READING | NEWS | SOCIAL SCIENCE

This British site offers various categories such as true stories, ghost stories, comedy, and animals to improve ESL reading. It includes:

- short readings with one question at the end to check comprehension
- a listening section with narrated slide shows songs, videos, poems, and podcasts



### **ESOL COURSES**

www.esolcourses.com

### ESL/All levels

GRAMMAR | LISTENING | READING | VOCABULARY | WATCHING | WRITING | APPLIED ENGLISH | SOCIAL SCIENCE

For beginner-to-advanced students, this UK site offers a wide variety of activities for grammar and vocabulary improvement. It includes:

- opportunities to listen to songs and fill in the gaps
- interactive games like crosswords, picture matching, and word searches
- exercises for all skills and levels, well-organized into sections



# EVALUATING INTERNET SOURCES (UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA)

http://bit.ly/evalinternetsources

ELIL & ESL/All levels
WRITING

This site shows how to evaluate Internet sources before using them in a research paper, including:

- types of sources
- types of materials
- Internet sources

Sections / Academic Skills



### **EXAM ENGLISH**

www.examenglish.com

### ESL/All levels

GRAMMAR | LISTENING | READING | VOCABULARY | WRITING | APPLIED ENGLISH

This is a great resource for those preparing for an English language exam, such as TOEFL, IELTS, and the Cambridge University exams. It includes:

- major tests described in detail
- free online English tests for practice
- possibility of purchasing learning materials



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FILM ENGLISH http://film-english.com/

### ELIL & ESL/All levels

APPLIED ENGLISH | SOCIAL SCIENCE

Excellent site offering English lessons based on short films. You can:

- learn the specific language used in the film
- find current and popular videos offering comprehensive activities for all levels of language learners

Sections / Teacher Resources



# THE FIRST WORLD WAR POETRY DIGITAL ARCHIVE (OXFORD UNIVERSITY)

www.oucs.ox.ac.uk/ww1lit

### ELIL & ESL/Intermediate-Advanced

LISTENING | READING | WATCHING | ART AND IMAGES | HISTORY AND CULTURE | LITERATURE | SOCIAL SCIENCE

This UK site showcases primary sources with a focus on World War I, with poetry, photographs, and contemporary video and audio clips of interviews with veterans. The *Education* area includes resources for students, teachers, and higher education professionals. A variety of thoughtful tools are provided, including:

- Path Creation Tool enables users to create a project out of the material they view on the site
- Online Tutorials that allow students to analyze selected works in detail

Sections / Teacher Resources



### FOUNDATIONS OF EFFECTIVE TUTORING RESOURCE FOR ENGLISH COLLEGES

www.ccdmd.qc.ca/en/tutoring/

### ELIL/Intermediate-Advanced

READING I WATCHING I WRITING

Students helping students is a common practice in education and this site trains students in their role as a helper (tutor). Well organized into three sections (tutor, trainer, management), it features:

- five modules with PDFs pertaining to tutoring techniques
- videos to ensure techniques are applied
- attention paid to active listening, learning disabilities, and understanding differences

Sections / CCDMD Resources, Academic Skills, Québecbased Resources, Teacher Resources



### THE GAZETTE

www.montrealgazette.com

### **ELIL & ESL/All levels**

LISTENING | READING | VOCABULARY | WATCHING | WRITING | HISTORY AND CULTURE | LITERATURE | NEWS | SOCIAL SCIENCE | SPORTS

The Gazette is Québec's largest Englishlanguage newspaper and a great resource to find local content and articles relevant to news and events in the province. For non-subscribers, you can access up to 25 articles each month. It features:

- real-time online news updates
- an RSS feed
- other links to keep connected to breaking news

Sections / Québec-based Resources



### FREE RICE

www.freerice.com

### ELIL & ESL/All levels

GRAMMAR | VOCABULARY | LITERATURE

An initiative of the UN World Food Program, the site features a multiple-choice vocabulary quiz that presents a word and four potential definitions. For each multiple-choice question answered, a donation is made to needy people around the world. Teachers could use this tool to challenge students to compete for the highest score.

- various quizzes on other topics, including English grammar are offered under the Subjects tab.
- incorrect answers are replaced with easier questions, but are repeated later for a second chance
- subjects covered: math, chemistry, English grammar and vocabulary, geography, art, German, French, Italian, and Spanish



### New!

# GENERAL AND ACADEMIC WORD LIST EXERCISES

www.enalishvocabularvexercises.com/AWL/index.htm

### ELIL & ESL/Intermediate-Advanced

**VOCABULARY** 

This site contains practice exercises relating to the academic word list. You will find:

- general vocabulary exercises
- academic word list exercises
- weekly study guide

Sections / Academic Skills, Teacher Resources



### THE GLOBE AND MAIL

www.theglobeandmail.com

### **ELIL & ESL/All levels**

LISTENING | READING | VOCABULARY | WATCHING | WRITING | HISTORY AND CULTURE | LITERATURE | NEWS | SOCIAL SCIENCE | SPORTS

The Globe and Mail is Canada's oldest national newspaper. Rich in information on a variety of subjects, it offers national and international content on current affairs. For non-subscribers, you can access up to 25 articles each month. It includes:

- daily book reviews
- up-to-the-minute news
- editorials, blogs, and current news from the Canadian literature scene
- streamed audio and video segments



## GOODREADS New!

www.goodreads.com

### ELIL & ESL/Intermediate-Advanced

READING | LITERATURE

This is a book lovers' site and a great place to find reviews of novels to consider using in class. It includes:

- book summaries
- book reviews
- blogs
- trivia
- quizzes
- quotes

Sections / Teacher Resources



### **GRAMMAR BYTES!**

www.chompchomp.com

### ELIL & ESL/All levels

GRAMMAR | WRITING | APPLIED ENGLISH | SOCIAL SCIENCE

A simple and useful grammar site that features:

- printable hand-outs and fun interactive exercises
- ability to do a handout and check answers online
- impressive graphics
- useful videos
- downloadable PowerPoint presentations that comically and colourfully illustrate lessons

Sections / Grammar Resources



### GRAND DICTIONNAIRE TERMINOLOGIQUE (OFFICE QUÉBÉ-COIS DE LA LANGUE FRANÇAISE)

www.oqlf.gouv.qc.ca/ressources/gdt.html

### ELIL & ESL/All levels

VOCABULARY | WRITING | APPLIED ENGLISH | TRANSLATION

Every trade and specialized domain has its own jargon. This site is a fine tool for anyone that wants to research technical language often missing from most dictionaries. It includes a vast dictionary of technical terminology and features:

- translations and definitions for terms in French, English or Latin
- specialized terms and expressions for specific domains

Note: The site is presented in French.

Sections / Québec-based Resources



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# GUIDE TO GRAMMAR AND WRITING New!

http://arammar.ccc.commnet.edu/arammar/index.htm

### **ELIL & ESL/All levels**

**GRAMMAR | WRITING** 

This highly recommended guide to grammar and writing contains explanations, as well as exercises on a variety of topics:

- Words and sentences
- Paragraphs
- Essays and research papers
- Grammar quizzes (170+)
- Additional resources (business letters, memos)

Sections / Teacher Resources, Grammar Resources

### A GUIDE FOR UNIVERSITY LEARNING (UNIVERSITY OF GUELPH)

http://bit.ly/guideuniversitylearn

### **ELIL & ESL/All levels**

GRAMMAR | READING | VOCABULARY | WRITING

Modern, colourful, and user-friendly, this excellent site provides details on how to succeed as a student. It includes:

- a step-by-step guide on how to study for and take exams
- examples of how to learn from course plans, textbooks and lectures
- practice activities
- Top ten take-aways for retaining and developing study abilities

Sections / Academic Skills



### HONGKIAT.COM

http://bit.ly/hongkiatebooks

### ELIL & ESL/All levels

READING | LITERATURE | APPLIED ENGLISH

This simple directory helps find the best places on the web to download free ebooks. It features:

- books available for a wide variety of domains and programs
- good content for blogging and class activities

Sections / Teacher Resources



### HYPERGRAMMAR (UNIVERSITY OF OTTAWA)

http://bit.lv/hvperarammar

### **ELIL & ESL/All levels**

GRAMMAR | READING | WRITING | APPLIED ENGLISH

This extensive grammar site, offered by the University of Ottawa's Writing Centre, introduces students to the inner workings of the English language through a series of linked subjects, all clearly indicated in blue. It features:

- clear, concise, well-written information
- ability to choose a subject and follow a link for a deeper understanding and further explanations

Sections / Grammar Resources



# HYPERTEXT WRITER'S GUIDE (UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA)

web.uvic.ca/wguide/welcome.html

### ELIL & ESL/All levels

READING | VOCABULARY | WRITING | APPLIED ENGLISH

Every step of the essay-writing process is covered in this text-based site. Learn about different types of essays, style and content, and the terms necessary to write an essay on literature. Use this site to plan, research, revise, and proofread essays. It includes:

- a table of contents and an index for easy accessibility
- details on how to prepare a bibliography
- opportunities to learn different types of essays, style and content
- literary terms for literature essays

Sections / Top 20 Resources, Academic Skills



### IMMIGRATION ET COMMUNAUTÉS CULTURELLES (GOVERNMENT OF QUÉBEC)

http://bit.ly/immigrationculture

### **ELIL & ESL/All levels**

GRAMMAR | LISTENING | READING | VOCABULARY | WATCHING | WRITING | HISTORY AND CULTURE

This is an important site for new immigrants, as it provides valuable information about settling in, housing, and language training. It features:

- organizations that offer free, low-tuition, or paid courses
- useful information on trades, job search, and language requirements needed for employment
- online government forms and electronic services

Sections / Québec-based Resources



# IMPROVE YOUR WRITING (UNIVERSITY OF BRISTOL)

http://bit.lv/improvevourwriting

### **ELIL & ESL/Advanced**

GRAMMAR | WRITING | APPLIED ENGLISH

This site provides clear explanations of various elements of grammar, punctuation, and writing style. Particularly useful for advanced ESL students, it offers:

- concise and clear explanations
- interactive exercises
- solutions for common problems such as common problems, punctuation and style

Sections / Teacher Resources, Grammar Resources





# INTERACTIVE REVISION COMPANION

irc.ccdmd.qc.ca

### ELIL & ESL / Intermediate-Advanced

GRAMMAR | WRITING

This site was created to accommodate additional criteria in the English language and literature program of study. It:

- focuses on the criteria 'Expression' for the EEE
- includes an interactive revision companion that addresses common language problems
- is divided into 3 sections: document, sentences and words

Sections / CCDMD Resources, Academic Skills, Québecbased Resources



# INTERESTING THINGS FOR ESL STUDENTS

www.manythings.org

### ESL/ Beginner-Intermediate

GRAMMAR | LISTENING | READING | SPEAKING | VOCABULARY | WRITING | LITERATURE

This site has a varied collection of amusing and unusual offerings prepared by ESL teachers that use diverse learning strategies. It will appeal to different learners and exercise multiple skills. It permits students to:

- practise grammar, vocabulary, listening, spelling, and pronunciation
- have fun while improving English skills



# INTERNATIONAL HERALD TRIBUNE (NEW YORK TIMES)

www.iht.com

### ESL & ESL/All levels

LISTENING | READING | WATCHING | HISTORY AND CULTURE | LITERATURE | NEWS | SOCIAL SCIENCE | SPORTS

One of the most sophisticated and well-written sources for news, the international edition of *The New York Times* provides quality reading accompanied by audio and video material. It features:

- articles about current subjects
- opportunities to participate in discussions via blogs



### **ITOOLS: LANGUAGE TOOLBOX**

www.itools.com/lang

### ELIL & ESL/All levels

READING | SPEAKING | VOCABULARY | WRITING | APPLIED ENGLISH | LITERATURE

Need to look something up? This is the place to go. The site features multiple search engines to meet all research needs. Its search engine function includes:

- language
- research
- finance
- map quest



New!

### **JEOPARDY LABS**

https://jeopardylabs.com/

### ELIL & ESL/All levels

GRAMMAR | LITERATURE | CULTURE

Create colourful interactive jeopardy quizzes with this easy and interactive site. You can:

- browse ready-made templates for a wide variety of quizzes
- use this excellent tool for review

Sections / Teacher Resources



# LANGCANADA.CA: L2 EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES DATABASE

www.langcanada.ca

### ESL/All levels

GRAMMAR | LISTENING | READING | SPEAKING | VO-CABULARY | WRITING | ART AND IMAGES | HISTORY AND CULTURE | SCIENCE | SOCIAL SCIENCE

This CASLT-managed site is a one-stop Internet resource for learning a second official language. It features:

- accessibility for both French and English-learners
- superb search engines focus on Educational Resources, Training Organization and Research
- advanced search options find content according to topic, learning level, language skill, teaching or learning resource
- Educational Resources by theme offer unique language learning materials



# THE LANGUAGE AND READING COMPANION

http://larc.ccdmd.gc.ca/

### ESL/All levels

LISTENING | READING | VOCABULARY |
APPLIED ENGLISH | LITERATURE

This website provides ESL students with narrated college-level texts, so they can follow along and improve both their comprehension and pronunciation. It includes:

- useful field-specific English lessons (humanities, etc.)
- vocabulary exercises
- comprehension questions in NetQuiz

Sections / CCDMD Resources, Québec-based Resources



# THE LEARNING CENTRE (JOHN ABBOTT COLLEGE)

http://www.johnabbott.qc.ca/academic-success-centre-formerly-the-learning-centre

### ELIL & ESL/Intermediate-Advanced

GRAMMAR | LISTENING | READING | VOCABULARY | WRITING

John Abbott College provides students with many resources to help them be successful in their college studies, including:

- peer tutoring information
- academic tutoring (Read/Write Lab)
- study skills and workshops
- English Exit Exam and workshops
- tip sheets and handouts
- help for students with learning and physical disabilities

Sections / Top 20 Resources, Academic Skills, Québecbased resources



# THE LEARNING CENTRE (VANIER COLLEGE)

www.vaniercollege.qc.ca/tlc

### ELIL & ESL/Intermediate-Advanced

GRAMMAR | VOCABULARY | WRITING

An information hub designed for English students at Vanier College, this site also contains useful tools for those interested in perfecting English-language skills or planning to take Québec's Ministerial Examination of College English. It features:

- an English Exit Exam section with a wealth of information to help pass the test
- tip sheets, explanations of the marking criteria, and sample student essays
- links to English Now, an online tutorial for second-language students
- access to CEPO, the CCDMD's College English Prep Online website

Sections / Academic Skills, Québec-based Resources



### LEARNING ENGLISH ONLINE

www.englisch-hilfen.de/en/words/zitate.htm

### ESL/All levels

GRAMMAR | WRITING | APPLIED ENGLISH |
SOCIAL SCIENCE

This site based in Germany provides a wide selection of printable handouts for testing grammar and vocabulary. It features:

- answers provided on separate sheets
- good selection of quick online vocabulary games
- useful links for teachers and literature



# LEARNING TOOLBOX (JAMES MADISON UNIVERSITY)

coe.jmu.edu/learningToolbox

### ELIL & ESL/All levels

GRAMMAR | READING | SPEAKING | VOCABULARY | WRITING | LITERATURE

Designed for teachers, students, and parents and commissioned by the U.S. Department of Education, this site aims to help students with mild learning disabilities meet the rigorous requirements of high school and college. It features:

- areas of concentration like Math, Organization, Study Skills, Test Taking Skills, Note Taking, Reading, Writing, and Advanced Thinking
- pedagogically sound simple techniques, visual games, and mnemonics
- tools and techniques to make learners more comfortable with study processes



### LIBRARY SPOT: DICTIONARIES

www.libraryspot.com/dictionaries

### ELIL & ESL/All levels

READING | VOCABULARY | WRITING | APPLIED ENGLISH |

This site is what its name suggests – a starting point for finding reference tools. The *StartSpot Network* also provides links to many other topic areas via a menu at the top of the homepage. The site features:

- excellent resources for reference tools, library information, and reading material
- links to many other topic areas





### A LISTENING COMPANION

rea.ccdmd.qc.ca/ri/listening

### ESL/Beginner

LISTENING | VOCABULARY | WATCHING

This collection of over 200 copyright-free video segments with complementary exercises allows students to become better acquainted with a diverse range of Anglophone speakers. It features:

- practical everyday language
- vocabulary exercises
- comprehension questions in Netquiz
- transcripts of all video content

Sections / CCDMD Resources, Québec-based Resources



### LITERATURE.ORG: THE ONLINE LITERATURE LIBRARY

www.literature.org/authors

### ELIL & ESL/All levels

GRAMMAR | READING | VOCABULARY | WRITING |
LITERATURE

A collection of literary classics available in the public domain and listed by author, the site features:

- easy onscreen reading
- texts that may be copied or printed

Sections / Teacher Resources



### **LOOKWAYUP**

lookwayup.com

### **ELIL & ESL/All levels**

READING | VOCABULARY | WRITING | APPLIED ENGLISH

This site is an online dictionary with over 250,000 entries. It features:

- free browser installation
- thesaurus
- spell-check that recognizes phonetic spellings
- six-language translation dictionary



### **LOUVRE MUSEUM**

www.louvre.fr/en

### **ELIL & ESL/All levels**

APPLIED ENGLISH | VOCABULARY | ART AND IMAGES | HISTORY AND CULTURE

The Louvre website has a lot to offer students learning English. An interactive site, it includes virtual tours with descriptions of artworks. It also features:

- an opportunity to create a personal space with an album of favourite artworks
- content organized according to theme and by exhibition



### MACLEAN'S MAGAZINE

www2.macleans.ca/

### ELIL & ESL/All levels

LISTENING | READING | VOCABULARY | HISTORY AND CULTURE | LITERATURE | NEWS | SOCIAL SCIENCE

Maclean's is Canada's national weekly current affairs magazine with over 2.4 million readers. Find strong investigative reporting and exclusive stories from leading journalists in the fields of international affairs, social issues, national politics, business, and culture. It features:

- excellent articles for class discussions
- updated literature and movie reviews
- blogs, columnists, and videos about current events and in-depth issues



### MCCORD MUSEUM

www.mccord-museum.gc.ca

### **ELIL & ESL/All levels**

LISTENING | READING | SPEAKING | VOCABULARY | WATCHING | WRITING | ART AND IMAGES | HISTORY AND CULTURE | LITERATURE | SCIENCE | SOCIAL SCIENCE

Explore Montréal's McCord Museum and delve into the last 10,000 years of Canadian history. Try these links from the homepage:

- virtual tours with film, still images, sound, and high-quality text
- dynamic games and lessons for varied historical content
- Keys to History Games: practise English with topics about Canada's history
- Keys to History Thematic Tours: choose a tour, click on View the Movie Clip, and watch movies about Canadian history

Sections / Québec-based Resources, Teacher Resources



### **MEDIA AWARENESS NETWORK**

www.media-awareness.ca

### **ELIL & ESL/All levels**

READING | WRITING | VOCABULARY | ART AND IMAGES | HISTORY AND CULTURE | NEWS | SCIENCE

Intended to foster media awareness to teachers and students, the site offers well-written articles addressing media violence, stereotyping, and information privacy. It features:

- easy access through colour-coded pages
- opportunities to collect content while browsing
- educational games, news, blogs, and a resource catalogue
- search by grade level, subject, province/territory



# MEDLINE PLUS: TRUSTED HEALTH INFORMATION FOR YOU

http://bit.lv/medlineplusterms

### ELIL & ESL/All levels

LISTENING | READING | VOCABULARY | APPLIED ENGLISH | SCIENCE | TECHNICAL LANGUAGE

Designed by the U.S. National Library of Medicine and the National Institutes of Health, this is an excellent resource for students in medical fields. A great source of material for oral and written projects, it offers:

- alphabetical listing of medical terms
- excellent interactive materials
- help for improving reading and listening comprehension skills
- information that is easy to read and understand
- read-along audio-tutorials supported by comprehension questions



# MERRIAM-WEBSTER LEARNER'S DICTIONARY

esldictionary.com

### ESL/All levels

LISTENING | READING | SPEAKING | VOCABULARY | WRITING | APPLIED ENGLISH | TECHNICAL LANGUAGE

This pronunciation dictionary has a glossary of grammar terms, as well as a language help section that shares tips on common word use problems and is designed specifically for ESL learners. It features:

- audio pronunciations and definitions of 3,000 of the most commonly used words in English
- phrasal verbs and idioms
- glossary of grammar terms
- language help section that shares tips on common word use problems



# NAME THAT LITERARY ELEMENT – GLENCOE ONLINE

http://bit.ly/literaryelement

ELIL & ESL/All levels
READING | LITERATURE

This game is a fun way to learn the various literary elements. As a definition appears on the screen and literary terms fly about, the user clicks on the best definition. It features:

- various levels of difficulty
- a fireworks display at the end for a job well done

Note: Requires Flash Player
Sections / Top 20 Resources



#### **NATIONAL PUBLIC RADIO (NPR)**

www.npr.org

#### **ELIL & ESL/All levels**

LISTENING | READING | APPLIED ENGLISH | HISTORY AND CULTURE | NEWS | SOCIAL SCIENCE

Representing 860 independently operated public radio stations, NPR produces and distributes non-commercial news, talk, and entertainment programming. The site features:

- original online content and audio streaming
- hourly newscasts, special features, and ten years of archived audio and information
- hundreds of podcasts available organized by topic, title, or provider, accessible via the Podcast Directory

Sections / Top 20 Resources



#### NATIONAL THEATRE SCHOOL

http://ent-nts.ca/en/

#### ELIL & ESL/All levels

LISTENING | WATCHING | ART AND IMAGES | LITERATURE

Looking for an inexpensive but high-quality theatre outing in Montréal? A National Theatre School production may be the perfect solution. The theatre offers:

- inexpensive but high-quality theatre outings to see English plays
- explanations of various programs available to Canadian students such as acting, playwriting, directing, and set and costume design

Sections / Québec-based Resources, Teacher Resources





#### **NETQUIZ PRO**

http://www.ccdmd.qc.ca/eng/catalog/netquiz-pro-4

#### ELIL & ESL/All levels

GRAMMAR | VOCABULARY | APPLIED ENGLISH | ART AND IMAGES | HISTORY AND CULTURE | LITERATURE | SCIENCE | SOCIAL SCIENCE

Netquiz Pro is a downloadable software that creates web-based tests without programming knowledge. It allows teachers to:

- compose questions
- insert images, sounds, video sequences or hyperlinks
- customize questions based on numerous parameters

Sections / CCDMD Resources, Québec-based Resources, Teacher Resources



# ONLINE TUTORING SYSTEM FOR ESSAY WRITING (OTSEW)

www.ccdmd.qc.ca/en/otsew

#### ELIL & ESL/Advanced

GRAMMAR | READING | WRITING | LITERATURE |

This interactive website helps improve Englishlanguage sentence and essay writing skills by providing an online resource for self-study and practice. It features:

- multiple units that explain key grammar notions and mechanics of good writing
- evaluation, reference, and learning activities
- practice quizzes
- PDF printable versions and answer keys

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## ONLINE WEBSITE DIRECTORY FOR ENGLISH-LANGUAGE IMPROVEMENT

www.ccdmd.qc.ca/en/internet\_directory

#### ELIL & ESL/All levels

GRAMMAR | LISTENING | READING | SPEAKING | VOCABU-LARY | WATCHING | WRITING | APPLIED ENGLISH | ART AND IMAGES | HISTORY AND CULTURE | LITERATURE | NEWS | SCIENCE | SOCIAL SCIENCE | SPORTS | TECHNICAL LAN-GUAGE

The interactive version of the CCDMD's directory includes a listing of English-language websites, with a focus on Canadian resources. Search for sites:

- alphabetically
- by language skill
- by topic area or resource type

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#### **OWL (PURDUE ONLINE WRITING LAB)**

owl.english.purdue.edu/owl

#### ELIL & ESL/Intermediate-Advanced

GRAMMAR | READING | VOCABULARY | WRITING | APPLIED ENGLISH | TECHNICAL LANGUAGE

Purdue University's OWL is one of the very best university English sites. It features:

- free material for academic writing, grammar, spelling, and punctuation
- resources for the writing process, including professional, technical, and job search writing, academic writing, research and citations, MLA and APA reference style guides, and much more
- many resources are printable and available in PDF format

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#### THE PAPER BOY

www.thepaperboy.com

#### **ELIL & ESL/All levels**

READING | HISTORY AND CULTURE | LITERATURE | NEWS | SOCIAL SCIENCE | SPORTS

There are over 6000 free online newspapers available on this site. Students of English can research topics and use articles to improve reading skills. Newspapers are searchable by:

- country
- title
- Top 100 US titles
- Top UK titles



# PARADIGM ONLINE WRITING ASSISTANT

www.powa.org

#### ELIL & ESL/Intermediate-Advanced

GRAMMAR | READING | VOCABULARY | WRITING |
TECHNICAL LANGUAGE

This masterfully organized and informative guide will prove useful for CEGEP-level essays. Use this guide during any phase of a paper or to perfect writing skills. The site includes:

- detailed and well-planned lessons that elaborate on the finer points of writing
- grammar basics while investigating general and structural concerns of writing

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# PHONETICS: THE SOUNDS OF SPOKEN LANGUAGE (UNIVERSITY OF IOWA)

www.uiowa.edu/%7Eacadtech/phonetics

#### ESL/Beginner-Intermediate

LISTENING | SPEAKING

This website will guide ESL learners through the finer points of pronouncing the full spectrum of English sounds. It includes:

- a neutral American accent employed that is relevant for Canadian usage
- an animated diagram for each sound that clearly shows how to position the jaw, lips, and tongue
- video clips of native speakers pronouncing the sounds to reinforce concepts



#### PHRASES. EXPRESSIONS & SAYINGS

www.joe-ks.com/phrases/phrases.htm

#### **ELIL & ESL/All levels**

READING | VOCABULARY | HISTORY AND CULTURE |

This humorous source lists hundreds of phrases and idioms that students may come across in literature or during the course of a conversation. It offers:

- help decoding historical and culturally specific expressions
- phrases and idioms with meanings, examples, and origins

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#### PROJECT GUTENBERG: FREE EBOOKS

www.gutenberg.org

#### ELIL & ESL/Intermediate-Advanced

READING | LITERATURE

Project Gutenberg offers an ever-growing library of downloadable books in almost every written language. Read the License and Trademark information in the About Us section before using material in written assignments. The site features:

- over 28,000 books
- over 100,000 supplementary titles from the site's extended resources
- free use, without recopying and distribution restraints



#### **QUILL & QUIRE MAGAZINE**

www.auillandauire.com

#### **ELIL & ESL/All levels**

LISTENING | READING | VOCABULARY | LITERATURE | SOCIAL SCIENCE

Quill & Quire is the Canadian book trade magazine and offers a comprehensive look at Canadian-authored books. It features:

- author profiles, reviews, news on new books and developments in the Canadian publishing industry
- reviews of 400 new titles each year
- details of award nominations and book deals

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#### RANDALL'S ESL CYBER LISTENING LAB

www.esl-lab.com

#### ESL/Beginner-Intermediate

LISTENING | VOCABULARY

This site offers listening comprehension exercises with read-along transcripts. Each lesson includes pre-listening, listening, and post-listening exercises. The site is divided into six sections:

- General Listening Exercises
- Basic Listening Exercises
- Listening Quizzes for Academic Purposes
- 20-Minute ESL Vocabulary Lessons
- Language Learning and Life Tips
- Conversations with RealVideo



#### REPERCUSSION THEATRE

www.repercussiontheatre.com

#### ELIL & ESL/Intermediate-Advanced

WATCHING | ART AND IMAGES | LITERATURE

This touring company is best known for their summer theatre productions of *Shakespeare* in the Park. It features:

- a centre for English-language classic theatre
- various productions and events throughout the year in Montréal

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# REPRESENTATIVE POETRY ONLINE (UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO)

rpo.library.utoronto.ca/display/indexpoet.html

#### ELIL & ESL/All levels

READING | LITERATURE

The online version of the poetry anthology of the same name, this is a good site to consult for poetry buffs or those doing poetry research. It features:

- an index organized by title, author, date, or the first line of the poem
- a timeline, glossary, and critiques of featured poems
- a special section on Canadian poetry



#### A RESEARCH GUIDE FOR STUDENTS

www.aresearchguide.com

#### ELIL & ESL/Intermediate-Advanced

READING | SPEAKING | WRITING

This amazingly complete reference source is easy to navigate. It includes:

- all the necessary tools for conducting research and making presentations
- easy-to-use reference sources
- concise, well-written articles
- external links to related subjects

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#### RICHARD LEDERER'S VERBIVORE

http://verbivore.com/wordpress/

#### ELIL & ESL/All levels

GRAMMAR | READING | VOCABULARY | WRITING | APPLIED ENGLISH | LITERATURE | SOCIAL SCIENCE

This is a helpful site for anyone who has an appetite for language. It features:

- an excellent directory of English-language learning sites by Richard Lederer
- Language Links arranged by topic in an index at the top of the page
- Superb links to Etymology, Grammar and Usage, Language Columns/Online Magazines, Linguistic Links, Newsgroups, Puns, Reference, Word Games, Word and Letter Play, and Word Watching and Vocabulary



#### RPN (RABBLE PODCAST NETWORK)

rabble.ca/podcasts

#### ESL/All levels

LISTENING | READING | HISTORY AND CULTURE | NEWS | SOCIAL SCIENCE

A collection of Canadian news stories, in-depth features, provocative interviews, commentaries, and more. It features:

- columns from progressive voices in mainstream media
- articles from alternative publications
- an alternative take on politics, entertainment, stories, society, community, and life in general
- an interactive forum, babble, which allows users to share their views



#### SCHOOL MOM/ENGLISH TUTOR

chrislivolsi.net

#### ELIL & ESL/Intermediate-Advanced

READING | WRITING | LITERATURE | APPLIED ENGLISH |
TECHNICAL LANGUAGE

Created by an English teacher from Kenosha, Wisconsin, this is a helpful site for essay writing essentials. It includes:

- a wide variety of downloadable PDF files covering paragraphs, literary analysis, research, writing errors, and reading skills
- a host of links to online American and world literature selections
- model essays and explanations in PDF format



#### SEGAL CENTRE

www.segalcentre.org

#### ELIL & ESL/Intermediate-Advanced

WATCHING | ART AND IMAGES | LITERATURE

The Segal Centre showcases the best local and international professional artists. With a special focus on youth, this vibrant performing arts hub supports multicultural projects throughout Montréal. It offers:

- theatre, music, dance, and cinema
- reasonably priced tickets
- an intimate venue

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# SELF-STUDY QUIZZES FOR ESL STUDENTS

http://a4esl.org/

#### FSI / All levels

GRAMMAR | READING | VOCABULARY | WRITING

Straightforward and easy-to-use, this site offers ESL students over 1,000 activities to perfect their English skills. It includes:

- quizzes on grammar, places, homonyms, idioms, phrasal verbs and slang, vocabulary, holidays, trivia, etc.
- useful elements for the classroom
- teachers' contributions

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#### THE SEVEN STEPS OF THE RESEARCH PROCESS (CORNELL UNIVERSITY LIBRARY)

www.library.cornell.edu/olinuris/ref/research/skill1.htm

#### ELIL & ESL/Advanced

WRITING

This site walks students through the seven steps of essay research, providing simple and effective strategies. It includes:

- a hypertext document that covers topic identification, searching and evaluating sources, and employing standardized formats in citation
- helpful subsections related to scholarly and non-scholarly sources
- a variety of links to content useful for any student aiming to produce a superior research paper

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# SHAKESPEARE ILLUSTRATED (EMORY UNIVERSITY)

shakespeare.emory.edu/illustrated\_index.cfm

#### ELIL & ESL/Advanced

READING | ART AND IMAGES | HISTORY AND CULTURE |

This visually creative site will help students while reading Shakespeare. It features:

- a wide range of art depicting the work of Shakespeare
- annotated artworks with links to other images in the collection
- simple navigation with artworks listed under The Plays or The Artists



#### SHELFARI (AMAZON.COM)

www.shelfari.com

#### **ELIL & ESL/All levels**

READING | LITERATURE

This site is a home to a virtual library of book reviews, as well as information on a huge variety of new, interesting, and best-selling books. It features opportunities to:

- discover popular books
- rate and discuss books online
- discover and learn from people with similar reading tastes
- participate in online book groups to further explore literature and share ideas
- interact with and learn from authors



#### SIMPLE ENGLISH NEWS

www.simpleenalishnews.com

#### ESL/Beginner-Intermediate

GRAMMAR | LISTENING | VOCABULARY | NEWS | SOCIAL SCIENCE

A good spot to practise listening comprehension, this site engages students in current events by taking interesting news stories, simplifying the language, and recording audio clips. It includes:

- easy to understand audio clips
- information on business, science, travel, and other topics



#### **SPEAK READ WRITE**

www.speak-read-write.com

#### ESL/All levels

GRAMMAR | LISTENING | READING | SPEAKING | VOCABULARY | WRITING | APPLIED ENGLISH

Created by an ESL tutor based in British Columbia, this no frills site offers substantial support with diverse learning strategies. It features:

- a focus on skills of reading, writing, listening, speaking, and comprehension
- examples and short stories that are current and relevant to daily life
- several activities that focus on pronunciation, listening and watching



#### SPLENDID SPEAKING: SPEAKING SKILLS FOR ADVANCED LEARNERS OF ENGLISH

www.splendid-speaking.com/about.html

#### ESL/Intermediate-Advanced

LISTENING | READING | VOCABULARY | APPLIED ENGLISH

This modern, user-friendly site is aimed at students preparing for British ESOL exams. It features:

- podcast interviews with international students on various topics with transcripts
- online colloquial vocabulary quizzes
- guides for speaking exams
- weekly task sheets for self-study or the classroom that correspond with a featured recording of the week
- a Facebook group for connecting with others
- a self-study speaking course



#### STEWART MUSEUM

www.stewart-museum.org/en

#### **ELIL & ESL/All levels**

GRAMMAR | LISTENING | READING | SPEAKING | VOCABU-LARY | WATCHING | WRITING | ART AND IMAGES | HISTORY AND CULTURE | LITERATURE | SOCIAL SCIENCE

Founded in 1955 and located in the Fort on the Île Ste-Hélène in Montréal, the Museum focuses on the influence of European civilization on the history of New France and North America. With a global approach to history, it offers:

- educational activities
- access to various collections and artefacts

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#### **TALISMAN THEATRE**

www.talisman-theatre.com

#### **ELIL & ESL/All levels**

LISTENING | WATCHING | ART AND IMAGES | LITERATURE

Established in 2006 in Montréal, the Talisman Theatre presents less commercial Englishlanguage plays. Its mission is to:

- premiere Québecois works to non-francophone audiences
- engage theatregoers with contemporary Québecois theatre and playwrights

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# TEACHING DEGREE: 100 HELPFUL WEBSITES FOR NEW TEACHERS

http://bit.ly/100websitesforteachers

#### ELIL & ESL/All levels

APPLIED ENGLISH

An excellent one-stop resource for finding the best teaching tools on the web, this site provides useful links for teachers of any grade level or subject. If offers:

links that are divided into categories, including: Sites Just for New Teachers, Sites for All Teachers, Inspirational Sites, Technology in the Classroom, Blogging in the Classroom, Using Twitter in the Classroom, Educators Who Blog, Social Networks and Forums, Video Sites, and Freebies

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#### **TEACH THIS**

http://teach-this.com/index.html

#### ESL/Beginner-Intermediate

GRAMMAR | SPEAKING | VOCABULARY |

This site has links to fun ESL activities (often in PDF format) designed to reinforce various grammar points. It is updated regularly and includes:

- resources
- games
- ideas
- grammar
- critical thinking

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#### **TEATIME-MAG**

www.teatime-mag.com/fr

#### ESL/Beginner

GRAMMAR | LISTENING | READING | VOCABULARY | WRITING | APPLIED ENGLISH | SOCIAL SCIENCE

A collaboration of journalists from different countries provides articles from places around the world where English is spoken.

The site features:

- audio tracks that can be read along with
- exercises covering vocabulary, expressions, grammar, and comprehension

Note: French interface allows for easy access for lower level students



# TED (TECHNOLOGY, ENTERTAINMENT AND DESIGN)

www.ted.com

#### ELIL & ESL/Intermediate-Advanced

LISTENING | READING | SPEAKING | VOCABULARY | WATCH-ING | ART AND IMAGES | HISTORY AND CULTURE | SCIENCE | SOCIAL SCIENCE

TED started as a series of conferences on innovation. Devoted to the concept of "ideas worth spreading," this site offers a wonderful selection of 18-minute talks by some of the world's most remarkable people. It features:

- subjects such as technology, business, entertainment, design, science, and global issues
- good starting points for a project or discussion
- quality content with intellectual takes on subjects

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# TESL/TEFL/TESOL/ESL/EFL/ESOL LINKS (THE INTERNET TESL JOURNAL)

iteslj.org/links

#### ESL/All levels

GRAMMAR | LISTENING | READING | SPEAKING | VOCABULARY | WRITING | APPLIED ENGLISH | TECHNICAL LANGUAGE

This first-rate assortment of ESL and EFL links is well-organized, simple to use and helpful for both teachers and students. An ideal place to launch web searches for sites specializing in English-language education, it features:

- a selection of quality sites with minimal advertising and clutter
- a strong selection of links to advanced grammar explanations

Sections / Teacher Resources



# TOPICS ONLINE MAGAZINE FOR LEARNERS OF ENGLISH

www.topics-mag.com

#### ESL/All levels

READING | VOCABULARY | WRITING | ART AND IMAGES |
HISTORY AND CULTURE | NEWS | SCIENCE |
SOCIAL SCIENCE

Exchange experiences, meet people from all over the globe, and discuss issues particular to learning a new language and living in a new culture, by participating in this international e-zine. It features:

- a Language Corner Section with topics such as vocabulary, idioms and expressions, and grammar
- opportunities for sharing where users are encouraged to submit writing based on the topics discussed
- online projects, book and movie reviews, and a travel section, written by ESL students



#### **UEFAP: A GUIDE FOR STUDENTS IN** HIGHER EDUCATION (USING ENGLISH FOR ACADEMIC PURPOSES)

www.uefap.com

#### ELIL & ESL/Intermediate-Advanced

LISTENING | READING | VOCABULARY | WRITING | APPLIED ENGLISH

A complete course in using English for college and university reading and writing, this site offers:

- detailed information on how to become a more efficient reader, writer, speaker, and listener
- explanations and exercises for all communication skills
- a superb section on note-taking and what to listen for in lectures (Listening section)
- invaluable advice not found elsewhere

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#### UNBC LEARNING SKILLS CENTRE (UNIVERSITY OF NORTHERN BRITISH COLUMBIA)

http://bit.ly/learningskillscentre

#### ESL/All levels

GRAMMAR | LISTENING | READING | SPEAKING | VOCABU-LARY | WRITING | LITERATURE | APPLIED LANGUAGE

As with many universities, not all the resources on this site can be accessed by non-attending students, but there are still many excellent resources here, including:

- printable handouts, self-assessment tools. and links to other quality materials for English-language improvement
- excellent Video Workshops on topics such as Beginning a Research Paper and The Thesis Statement

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#### **URBAN DICTIONARY**

www.urbandictionary.com

#### ELIL & ESL/All levels

VOCABULARY | SOCIAL SCIENCE

This is the "go to" site for the newest and trendiest English words and expressions. Written by users, it includes:

- a word of the day
- opportunities to text in submissions
- hundreds of new and funny expressions



#### USING ENGLISH.COM: ESL TEACHER HANDOUTS, GRAMMAR WORKSHEETS & PRINTABLES

www.usingenglish.com/handouts

#### ESL/Beginner-Intermediate

GRAMMAR | READING | VOCABULARY | WRITING | APPLIED ENGLISH | SOCIAL SCIENCE

This site provides a large collection of ESL tools and resources for students and teachers. It offers:

- a grammar glossary
- interactive exercises
- further references for irregular verbs, phrasal verbs and idioms, ESL forums, articles, and teacher handouts
- useful links and information on English

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#### **UTNE READER**

www.utne.com

#### **ELIL & ESL/Advanced**

**READING | LITERATURE** 

Utne magazine provides interesting and challenging reading material and features:

- interesting writing topics
- numerous short articles
- opportunities to improve comprehension and vocabulary
- content from more than 2,000 alternative media sources
- free links and audio material



New!

#### **VIRTUAL GRAMMAR LAB**

www.spunkyenglish.com/VGL/

#### ESL/All levels

GRAMMAR

This search engine is designed to help you find the help you need for grammar practice. You can:

- choose the grammar notion you would like to learn, and then choose the type of exercise you would like to do
- find other web resources easily

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#### VIRTUAL TRAINING SUITE: DEVELOPING INTERNET RESEARCH SKILLS

www.vtstutorials.co.uk

#### **ELIL & ESL/All levels**

GRAMMAR | LISTENING | READING | SPEAKING | VOCABULARY | WRITING | APPLIED ENGLISH | ART AND IMAGES | HISTORY AND CULTURE | NEWS | SCIENCE | SOCIAL SCIENCE | SPORTS

The site is an online service developed by a network of British universities and partners to provide free, high-quality web resources for education and research. It features:

- numerous tutorials listed alphabetically
- a focus on job descriptions and fields of employment
- tutorials that integrate text with listings of outside websites and offer additional information on specific jobs or fields of study



# VISUAL DICTIONARY ONLINE (MERRIAM-WEBSTER)

www.visualdictionaryonline.com

#### ESL/Beginner

**VOCABULARY | ART AND IMAGES** 

A dictionary resource to help students visually identify nouns and match a word to an image. It features:

- 20 000 terms with contextual definitions in six languages
- 6 000 full-colour images of a wide variety of objects
- an internal search engine and thematic lists to easily match a word to an image



# VOA: SPECIAL ENGLISH (VOICE OF AMERICA)

www.voanews.com/specialenglish

#### ESL/All levels

GRAMMAR | LISTENING | READING | SPEAKING | VOCABULARY | WRITING | HISTORY AND CULTURE | NEWS | SOCIAL SCIENCE

The Voice of America has developed a Special English site designed for the ESL learner. It features:

- news stories written in simple English, using a core vocabulary of 1500 words
- short and simple sentences
- stories that are read at a slow pace
- interesting material, chosen from current news stories
- a link to Wordmaster, where users can read and listen to stories



#### VOCAB AHEAD: VOCABULARY VIDEOS

www.vocabahead.com

#### ELIL & ESL/Intermediate-Advanced

LISTENING | READING | VOCABULARY | APPLIED ENGLISH | LITERATURE | SOCIAL SCIENCE

This is an extensive free video vocabulary website offering an innovative method to help students learn and remember difficult English words. Users can:

- watch videos and read along to understand legal and advanced vocabulary
- create word lists for specific vocabulary in the domains of law and accounting
- subscribe to personally receive a "Word of the Day" video



#### THE VOCABARET

www.hoadworks.com/indexg.html

#### ESL/Intermediate-Advanced

READING | LITERATURE | SOCIAL SCIENCE

This Canadian website makes a great complement to any second language English course. Full of interesting and original text-based games, it helps users improve vocabulary and features:

- games that can be printed and used in class
- a fiction section filled with poems and short stories

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#### VOCABULARY.COM

www.vocabulary.com

#### **ELIL & ESL/All levels**

VOCABULARY | APPLIED ENGLISH | LITERATURE | SOCIAL SCIENCE

This hub connects to excellent sites for vocabulary improvement. It features:

- an opportunity for users to test their "V.Q." (vocabulary quotient)
- vocabulary lists for academic, current events, fiction, and non-fiction words
- VocabGrabber that analyzes and categorizes text to create a visual thesaurus



#### W5 (CTV)

www.ctv.ca/wfive

#### **ELIL & ESL/All levels**

LISTENING | WATCHING | APPLIED ENGLISH | HISTORY AND CULTURE | NEWS | SOCIAL SCIENCE

This is a useful site for listening comprehension, where students can view video material of reports on current events produced by CTV's W5 program. Subject areas include:

- Canadian news
- international news
- business
- science and technology
- health
- politics



#### THE WALRUS

www.walrusmagazine.com

#### **ELIL & ESL/All levels**

GRAMMAR | LISTENING | READING | SPEAKING | VOCABULARY | WATCHING | WRITING | APPLIED ENGLISH | ART AND IMAGES | HISTORY AND CULTURE | LITERATURE | SOCIAL SCIENCE

Keep on the cutting-edge of Canadian literature and current events with this well-respected literary magazine. It features:

- diversity of reading material to improve comprehension and vocabulary
- creative short stories, essays, and blogs
- archives of past and current issues, articles, blogs, videos, and audio podcasts
- opportunities to share and read comments



#### **WEBGRAMMAR (JUDY VORFELD)**

www.webgrammar.com

#### **ELIL & ESL/Advanced**

GRAMMAR | WRITING | APPLIED ENGLISH

This site has extensive information on grammar, and writing, with web publishing tips and numerous links to sites for:

- writing help
- references
- building a website
- education resources



#### WORD CENTRAL (MERRIAM-WEBSTER)

www.wordcentral.com

#### ELIL & ESL/All levels

READING | VOCABULARY | WRITING | APPLIED ENGLISH

Distinctly presented for younger audiences, this honed selection of English learning activities may be of use to beginners of all ages. It includes:

- a Daily Buzzword that introduces new vocabulary
- Build Your Own Dictionary that encourages users to add words they have invented
- games like Robo-Bee (complete the sentences), BIGbot (choose synonyms), Jumble Kids (unscramble the letters given to form a word), and Alpha-bot (listen and spell)



#### WORDLE

www.wordle.net

#### **ELIL & ESL/All levels**

READING | VOCABULARY | WRITING | ART AND IMAGES | LITERATURE

Essentially a fun online toy that generates word clouds from text, it offers a unique opportunity for students to appreciate and analyse language, word use, and technology. How it works:

- Students or teachers input text and the resulting word cloud can be tweaked with different fonts, layouts, and colour schemes
- The largest words in the image are those that appear more frequently or are read as having more importance in the text, while less significant words (such as contractions) almost disappear



#### WORLD WIDE WORDS

www.worldwidewords.org

#### ELIL & ESL/Intermediate-Advanced

READING | VOCABULARY | WRITING | ART AND IMAGES | HISTORY AND CULTURE | SOCIAL SCIENCE

This site delves into the amazing trivia of the English language. It features:

- articles on the origins of popular expressions
- new or strange words that may not be in dictionaries



#### **WRITING IT RIGHT!**

http://www.mrsalex.com/teacher-resources.html

#### ELIL & ESL/All levels

READING | VOCABULARY | WRITING | APPLIED ENGLISH

A superb little resource to help with some of the stickiest questions related to writing, this site puts its finger on just about every troublesome error that can sneak into writing. It offers:

- a Spelling Checklist that singles out often confused and misspelled words
- information on run-on sentences, connecting words, and alternate word choices
- a No-No list of words and sentence starters.

Sections / Teacher Resources





#### WRITING THESIS STATEMENTS: A GUIDED-WRITING EXERCISE BASED ON A SHORT STORY

www.ccdmd.gc.ca/www/Flash\_elements/flash.html

#### ELIL & ESL/Advanced

READING | WRITING | LITERATURE

This interactive flipbook is full of theory and varied exercises for students preparing for the English Exit Exam or other exams involving essay writing. It includes:

- explanations of concepts like the main idea and thesis statements
- opportunities to build thesis statements and develop thesis paragraphs
- analysis of acceptable and non-acceptable thesis statements
- exercises for student practice
- answer key with clear, detailed explanations

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# ZEROBIO: ONLINE BIOLOGY QUIZ AND GAMES SITE

www.execulink.com/~ekimmel

#### ELIL & ESL/All levels

READING | VOCABULARY | APPLIED ENGLISH | SCIENCE | TECHNICAL LANGUAGE

This is an excellent tool for Québec CEGEP students interested in studying science. It offers:

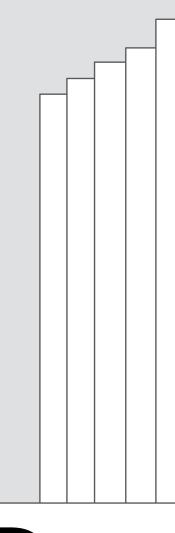
- opportunities to improve technical and scientific vocabulary
- games, quizzes, worksheets, and slideshows
- links with the new Ontario science curriculum
- an ingenious Virtual Dissection Lab that saves frogs from dissection with photographs and videos of actual dissections
- occasions to address common ethical concerns and questions











# CCDMD



# LEARNING CENTRE WEBSITE FOR ENGLISH-LANGUAGE IMPROVEMENT

http://www.ccdmd.qc.ca/en

The CCDMD's Learning Centre website is subsidized by the Canda-Québec Agreement on Minority and Second Language Instruction and managed by Collège de Maisonneuve. It develops educational materials for teachers and students throughout the Québec CEGEP system and also offers support to college teachers so they can create educational materials

The CCDMD has a diverse collection of materials produced for a wide range of courses and programs. The Learning Centre focuses on the use and improvement of the English language for both mother-tongue speakers and second-language learners.

Make sure to bookmark the CCDMD Learning Centre site in your web browser in order to have quick access to these 12 English-language improvement resources!



#### 1000 IMAGES ON THE TIP OF MY TONGUE

#### **ELIL & ESL**

Provides students of all levels definitions, pronunciation tools, and exercises for learning idiomatic expressions in French, English, and Spanish.

http://expressions.ccdmd.qc.ca/



# COLLEGE ENGLISH PREP ONLINE (CEPO)

#### **ELIL & ESL**

Helps intermediate-advanced students improve essay-writing skills and build self-study using literature.

www.ccdmd.gc.ca/en/cepo











#### **CRISSCROSS WORDS 3.3**

#### **ELIL & ESL**

Facilitates the acquisition of specialized vocabulary by students of all levels with puzzles and personalized dictionaries.

www.ccdmd.qc.ca/eng/catalog/crisscross-words



#### ENGLISH EXIT EXAM PREPARATION FOR ENGLISH CEGEPS (QUÉBEC COLLEGE LEVEL)

#### ELIL

Provides readings and exercises in PDF format to help students of all levels prepare for the Québec College English Exit Exam.

http://bit.ly/eeeccdmd



#### **FOUNDATIONS OF EFFECTIVE TUTORING RESOURCE FOR ENGLISH COLLEGES**

Trains intermediate-advanced students to tutor and help other students effectively.

www.ccdmd.qc.ca/en/tutoring/



#### INTERACTIVE REVISION COMPANION

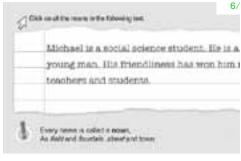
#### FLIL & FSL

Created for advanced students to help when revising common language problems.

irc.ccdmd.gc.ca













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http://larc.ccdmd.gc.ca/



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rea.ccdmd.qc.ca/ri/listening/



#### **NETQUIZ PRO**

#### FLIL & ESL

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www.ccdmd.qc.ca/eng/catalog/netquiz-pro-4



# ONLINE TUTORING SYSTEM FOR ESSAY WRITING (OTSEW)

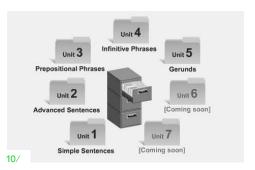
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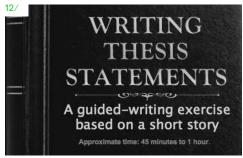
Helps advanced students improve Englishlanguage sentence and essay writing skills with an online resource for self-study and practice.

www.ccdmd.qc.ca/en/otsew













#### **ELIL & ESL**

Lists English-language websites with a focus on Canadian resources and excellent searchability.

www.ccdmd.qc.ca/en/internet\_directory





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Features an interactive flipbook full of theory and varied exercises for advanced students and those preparing for the English Exit Exam.

www.ccdmd.qc.ca/www/Flash\_elements/flash.html

# CCDMD Output Output

Proudly contributing to the CEGEP network's excellent services since 1993

www.ccdmd.qc.ca

Practical and useful, this section includes our top 20 sites you can't live without.

These amazing resources are not listed in order of importance.



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# **ESL BLUES ESL** Packed with helpful resources for

students of all levels with a focus on situations in the Montréal area.

ww2.college-em.qc.ca/prof/epritchard

#### HYPERTEXT WRITER'S GUIDE (UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA)

**ELIL & ESL** 

Covers every step of the essay-writing process – a useful tool for students of all levels.

web.uvic.ca/wguide/welcome.html

#### THE LEARNING CENTRE (JOHN ABBOTT COLLEGE)

**ELIL & ESL** 

Provides students of all levels with resources to help them be successful in their college studies.

http://www.johnabbott.qc.ca/academic-success-centre-formerly-the-learning-centre

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#### NAME THAT LITERARY **ELEMENT-GLENCOE ONLINE**

**ELIL & ESL** 

Offers a fun way for students of every level to learn the various literary elements.

http://bit.ly/literaryelement

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#### NATIONAL PUBLIC RADIO (NPR)

**ELIL & ESL** 

Offers a comprehensive archive of audio and video content that students of all levels can use to improve listening and reading skills.

www.npr.org



Here are 20 sites that focus on academic skills. The purpose of these sites is to improve academic performance and the quality of students' work. They each feature content such as how to write essays, analyze information sources, prepare for exams, etc.

Full descriptions of these websites are found in the Alphabetical List of Resources Section.



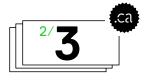


# A+ RESEARCH AND WRITING FOR HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE STUDENTS

#### **ELIL & ESL**

Offers a comprehensive initiation for intermediate-advanced students into the many skills involved in academic writing.

www.ipl.org/div/aplus



# ACADEMIC SKILLS CENTRE (DAWSON COLLEGE)

#### **ELIL & ESL**

Provides CEGEP students of all levels with resources and tools needed to prepare for the English Exit Exam.

http://bit.ly/dawsonacademicskills



## THE ACADEMIC WORD LIST New!

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http://www.victoria.ac.nz/lals/resources/academic-wordlist/



#### BEDFORD/ST. MARTIN'S

#### **ELIL & ESL**

Features easy-to-follow and up-to-date information for advanced students on citing Internet sources and citation styles.

www.bedfordstmartins.com



# CRITICALLY ANALYSING INFORMATION SOURCES (CORNELL UNIVERSITY)

#### **ELIL & ESL**

Helps students of all levels with essays and research papers, facilitating a critical assessment of print and online sources and an analysis of content information.

http://bit.ly/analyzeinformation



# ENGLISH EXIT EXAM (MINISTERIAL EXAMINATION OF COLLEGE ENGLISH LANGUAGE OF INSTRUCTION AND LITERATURE)

#### ELIL

Includes everything you ever wanted to know but never dared to ask about Québec's English Exit Exam (EEE) for CEGEP students.

http://www.mesrst.gouv.qc.ca/en/commun/epreuve-uniforme-danglais-en-anglais-seulement/



# EVALUATING INTERNET SOURCES (UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA)

#### **ELIL & ESL**

Shows students of all levels how to evaluate Internet sources before using them in research papers.

http://bit.ly/evalinternetsources





# FOUNDATIONS OF EFFECTIVE TUTORING RESOURCE FOR ENGLISH COLLEGES

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www.ccdmd.qc.ca/en/tutoring/



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www.englishvocabularyexercises.com/AWL/index.htm



# A GUIDE FOR UNIVERSITY LEARNING (UNIVERSITY OF GUELPH)

#### **ELIL & ESL**

Provides details for students of all levels on how to succeed academically with a step-bystep guide on how to study for and take exams.

http://bit.ly/guideuniversitylearn



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## THE LEARNING CENTRE (VANIER COLLEGE)

#### **ELIL & ESL**

Contains useful tools for intermediate-advanced students interested in perfecting Englishlanguage skills or preparing for the English Exit Exam.

www.vaniercollege.qc.ca/tlc



#### OWL (PURDUE ONLINE WRITING LAB)

#### **ELIL & ESL**

Features free material to help intermediateadvanced students with academic writing, grammar, spelling, and punctuation.

owl.english.purdue.edu/owl



## PARADIGM ONLINE WRITING ASSISTANT

#### **ELIL & ESL**

Provides intermediate-advanced CEGEP students with detailed and well-planned lessons to help writing.

www.powa.org



#### A RESEARCH GUIDE FOR STUDENT

#### **ELIL & ESL**

Provides intermediate-advanced students with complete, easy-to-navigate resources for conducting research and making presentations.

www.aresearchguide.com



# THE SEVEN STEPS OF THE RESEARCH PROCESS (CORNELL UNIVERSITY LIBRARY)

#### **ELIL & ESL**

Features simple and effective strategies to walk advanced students through the seven steps of essay research.

www.library.cornell.edu/olinuris/ref/research/skill1.htm



# UEFAP: A GUIDE FOR STUDENTS IN HIGHER EDUCATION (USING ENGLISH FOR ACADEMIC PURPOSES)

#### **ELIL & ESL**

Offers intermediate-advanced students a complete course in using English for college and university reading and writing.

www.uefap.com



#### UNBC LEARNING SKILLS CENTRE (UNIVERSITY OF NORTHERN BRITISH COLUMBIA)

#### **ESL**

Includes excellent resources for students of all levels, such as video workshops, printable handouts, self-assessment tools, and links to other materials.

http://bit.ly/learningskillscentre



Here are 30 Québec-based sites. Check out these great resources for schools, including theatres and museums! Your college could be featured!

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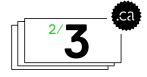


#### 1000 IMAGES ON THE TIP OF MY TONGUE

#### **ELIL & ESL**

Provides students of all levels definitions. pronunciation tools, and exercises for learning idiomatic expressions in French, English, and Spanish.

http://expressions.ccdmd.qc.ca/



#### **ACADEMIC SKILLS CENTRE** (DAWSON COLLEGE)

#### **ELIL & ESL**

Provides CEGEP students of all levels with resources to pass the English Exit Exam.

http://bit.ly/dawsonacademicskills



#### **BLACK THEATRE WORKSHOP**

#### **ELIL & ESL**

Encourages and promotes the development of Black and Canadian Theatre, offering a wonderful variety of productions and programming for intermediate-advanced students.

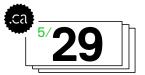
www.blacktheatreworkshop.ca



#### **CAPS (CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY)**

Educates students of all levels about the job market and career options with coaching, job lists, and details on updating language skills in Montréal.

http://bit.ly/capsconcordia

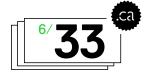


#### CENTAUR THEATRE

#### **ELIL & ESL**

Presents classic and contemporary Canadian works, engaging intermediate-advanced students in English theatre.

www.centaurtheatre.com





## COLLEGE ENGLISH PREP ONLINE (CEPO)

#### **ELIL & ESL**

Helps intermediate-advanced students improve essay-writing skills and build self-study using literature.

www.ccdmd.qc.ca/en/cepo



#### **CRISSCROSS WORDS 3.3**

#### **ELIL & ESL**

Facilitates the acquisition of specialized vocabulary by students of all levels with puzzles and personalized dictionaries.

www.ccdmd.qc.ca/eng/catalog/crisscross-words



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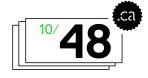


#### **ENGLISH EXIT EXAM PREPARATION** FOR ENGLISH CEGEPS (QUÉBEC COLLEGE LEVEL)

#### ELIL

Provides readings and exercises in PDF format to help students of all levels prepare for the Québec College English Exit Exam.

http://bit.ly/eeeccdmd



#### **ENGLISH NOW: AN ONLINE TUTORIAL** (VANIER COLLEGE)

#### **ELIL & ESL**

Comprehensive exercises relating to verb tenses, as well as listening exercises and stories and texts written by Vanier students.

http://bit.ly/englishnow



#### **ESL BLUES**

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#### THE GAZETTE

#### **ELIL & ESL**

Features content relevant to students of all ages and articles on news and events in the province.

www.montrealgazette.com



#### GRAND DICTIONNAIRE TERMINOLOGIQUE (OFFICE QUÉBÉCOIS DE LA LANGUE FRANÇAISE)

#### ELIL & ESL

Features a vast dictionary of technical terminology with translations and definitions for terms in French, English, and Latin.

www.oqlf.gouv.qc.ca/ressources/gdt.html



#### IMMIGRATION ET COMMUNAUTÉS CUL-TURELLES (GOVERNMENT OF QUÉBEC)

#### **ELIL & ESL**

Provides valuable information about settling in, housing, and language training for new immigrant students of all levels.

http://bit.ly/immigrationculture



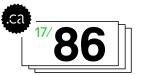


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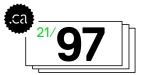


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#### MCCORD MUSEUM

#### **ELIL & ESL**

Delve into the last 10,000 years of Canadian history with virtual tours, films, images, audio, texts, games, and lessons for students of all levels.

www.mccord-museum.qc.ca



#### NATIONAL THEATRE SCHOOL

#### **ELIL & ESL**

Offers inexpensive theatre outings to see English plays, linking students of all levels with acting, playwriting, directing, and set and costume design programs.

http://ent-nts.ca/en/



#### **NETQUIZ PRO**

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http://www.ccdmd.qc.ca/eng/catalog/netquiz-pro-4





# ONLINE TUTORING SYSTEM FOR ESSAY WRITING (OTSEW)

#### ELIL & ESL

Helps advanced students improve Englishlanguage sentence and essay writing skills with an online resource for self-study and practice.

www.ccdmd.qc.ca/en/otsew



#### ONLINE WEBSITE DIRECTORY FOR **ENGLISH-LANGUAGE IMPROVEMENT**

**ELIL & ESL** 

Lists English-language websites with a focus on Canadian resources and excellent searchability.

www.ccdmd.qc.ca/en/internet\_directory



#### REPERCUSSION THEATRE

**ELIL & ESL** 

Connects intermediate-advanced students with English-language classic theatre and offers summer productions of Shakespeare in the Park.

www.repercussiontheatre.com



#### SEGAL CENTRE

**ELIL & ESL** 

Showcases local and international artists. engaging intermediate-advanced students with multicultural projects throughout Montréal.

www.segalcentre.org



#### STEWART MUSEUM

**ELIL & ESL** 

Offers educational activities for students of all levels with access to collections and artefacts that focus on the influences of European civilization.

www.stewart-museum.org/en



#### **TALISMAN THEATRE**

#### **ELIL & ESL**

Presents less commercial English-language plays and engages students of all levels with contemporary Québecois theatre and playwrights.

www.talisman-theatre.com





# WRITING THESIS STATEMENTS: A GUIDED-WRITING EXERCISE BASED ON A SHORT STORY

#### **ELIL & ESL**

Features an interactive flipbook full of theory and varied exercises for advanced students and those preparing for the English Exit Exam.

www.ccdmd.qc.ca/www/Flash\_elements/flash.html

Check out these 36 useful sites bursting with tools and resources that simplify teachers' lives!

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### THE ACADEMIC WORD LIST New!

#### **ELIL & ESL**

This list is a very useful academic resource for both English teachers and learners.

www.victoria.ac.nz/lals/resources/academicwordlist/



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#### **ELIL & ESL**

This site offers information on Black Theatre Workshop programming where students can attend a variety of productions in the Montréal area.

www.blacktheatreworkshop.ca



## CANADIAN ASSOCIATION OF SECOND LANGUAGE TEACHERS (CASALT)

#### **ESL**

Features information and resources for second language teachers such as conferences, teaching materials, newsletters, and reports.

www.caslt.org



#### **CENTAUR THEATRE**

#### **ELIL & ESL**

Montréal's premier English-language theatre is located in Old Montréal and presents both classic and contemporary plays, including translated French-language plays from Québec.

www.centaurtheatre.com

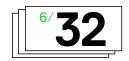


# CENTRE FOR CANADIAN LANGUAGE BENCHMARKS (CCLB)

**ESL** 

Provides information on national standards for the development of benchmarks and promotes programs to help immigrants attain these standards.

www.language.ca



#### COLLABORIZE CLASSROOM

ELIL & ESL

Features a user-friendly discussion and learning platform for students of all levels and in any discipline.

collaborizeclassroom.com



#### **EARLY CANADIANA ONLINE**

**ELIL & ESL** 

This evolving digital library includes seven online collections representing over three million pages of early Canadian texts.

www.canadiana.ca/en/home



#### **EDU (YOUTUBE)**

**ELIL & ESL** 

Features free video content and opportunities for students to create their own videos.

www.youtube.com/edu



#### **ENGLISH-TEST.US**

#### ESL

This site helps test ESL skills and determines students' levels. Placement tests for general ESL are available as well as practice tests for the TOEFL and the TOIEC.

english-test.us



#### ESI

Best suited to beginner-intermediate students, this site has exercises related to grammar, reading and vocabulary.

www.esldesk.com



#### ESL

This site contains many ESL activities for both students and teachers.

www.eslgold.com



#### **ELIL & ESL**

Excellent site offering English lessons based on short films.

http://film-english.com/



# THE FIRST WORLD WAR POETRY DIGITAL ARCHIVE (OXFORD UNIVERSITY)

#### **ELIL & ESL**

This UK site showcases primary sources with a focus on World War I, and includes resources for students, teachers, and higher education professionals.

www.oucs.ox.ac.uk/ww1lit





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New!

# GENERAL AND ACADEMIC WORD LIST EXERCISES

#### **ELIL & ESL**

This site contains practice exercises relating to the academic word list.

www.englishvocabularyexercises.com/AWL/index.htm

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**GOODREADS** 

#### **ELIL & ESL**

This is a book lovers' site and a great place to find reviews of novels to consider using in class.

www.goodreads.com

#### New! **GUIDE TO GRAMMAR AND WRITING**

#### HONGKIAT.COM

#### **ELIL & ESL**

This highly recommended guide to grammar and writing contains explanations, as well as exercises on a variety of topics.

http://grammar.ccc.commnet.edu/grammar/index.htm

#### **ELIL & ESL**

Helps find the best places on the web to download free ebooks via a simple directory.

http://bit.ly/hongkiatebooks



#### New! IMPROVE YOUR WRITING (UNIVERSITY OF BRISTOL)

#### FLIL & FSL

This resource has both explanations and exercises in grammar and punctuation designed to assist students in improving their writing.

http://bit.ly/improveyourwriting



New!

#### **ELIL & ESL**

Create colourful interactive jeopardy quizzes with this easy and interactive site.

https://jeopardylabs.com/



## LITERATURE.ORG: THE ONLINE LITERATURE LIBRARY

#### **ELIL & ESL**

Features a collection of literary classics available in the public domain and listed by author.

www.literature.org/authors



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#### **QUILL & QUIRE MAGAZINE**

#### **ELIL & ESL**

Canadian book trade magazine and offers a comprehensive look at Canadian-authored books.

www.guillandquire.com



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## TEACHING DEGREE: 100 HELPFUL WEBSITES FOR NEW TEACHERS

#### ELIL & ESL

Provides useful links to the best teaching tools on the web for teachers of any grade level or subject.

http://bit.ly/100websitesforteachers



#### ESL

This site has links to fun ESL activities (often in PDF format) designed to reinforce various grammar points.

http://teach-this.com/index.html



## TESL/TEFL/TESOL/ESL/EFL/ESOL LINKS (THE INTERNET TESL JOURNAL)

#### ELIL & ESL

This first-rate assortment of ESL and EFL links is well organized, simple to use and helpful for both teachers and students.

iteslj.org/links



#### **USING ENGLISH.COM: ESL TEACHER** HANDOUTS, GRAMMAR WORKSHEETS **& PRINTABLES**

#### **ESL**

Provides a large collection of ESL tools and resources for students and teachers.

www.usingenglish.com/handouts



#### VIRTUAL GRAMMAR LAB

This search engine is designed to help you find everything you need for grammar practice.

www.spunkyenglish.com/VGL/



#### WRITING IT RIGHT!

#### **ELIL & ESL**

A superb resource to help students of all levels with some of the stickiest questions related to writing.

http://www.mrsalex.com/teacher-resources.html





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www.ccdmd.qc.ca/www/Flash\_elements/flash.html



This section includes 15 useful grammar sites for students and teachers! Full descriptions of these websites are found in the Alphabetical List of Resources Section.

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#### **BASIC GRAMMAR EXERCISES**

#### **ESL**

This multi-purpose site offers a ton of exercises and quizzes for all levels of ESL.

www.autoenglish.org/basicgrammar.htm



## CHURCHILL HOUSE SCHOOL OF ENGLISH LANGUAGE

#### **ESL**

Packed with clear and easy to follow activities for beginner-advanced students, this British site is a good place to go for grammar help.

www.churchillhouse.com/en/online-english



#### **ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE**

#### ESL

This site offers complete support for ESL students, with its own material, as well as links to other useful resources.

www.rong-chang.com



#### **ENGLISH CLUB**

#### ESL

This site uses the Concise Oxford Dictionary of Current English as a reference, but includes pages from Canadian and American English sources, and points out the differences where applicable.

www.englishclub.com



ESL

This practical site has explanations and online grammar exercises suitable for all levels.

www.englishpage.com/index.html



#### **ENGLISH-TEST.NET**

**ESL** 

This site lists easily accessible online tests pertaining to various English grammar topics, special themes, and TOEFL-style exam preparation organized into levels of difficulty.

www.english-test.net

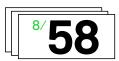


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english-test.us



#### **ESL PARTYLAND**

**ESL** 

This site offers English lessons, quizzes, and games in clearly divided sections.

www.eslpartyland.com



#### GRAMMAR BYTES!

#### **ELIL & ESL**

A simple and useful grammar site that features printable handouts, interactive exercises, and downloadable PowerPoint presentations.

www.chompchomp.com



#### **GUIDE TO GRAMMAR AND WRITING**

New!

#### **ELIL & ESL**

This highly recommended guide to grammar and writing contains explanations, as well as exercises on a variety of grammar-related topics.

http://grammar.ccc.commnet.edu/grammar/index.htm



#### HYPERGRAMMAR (UNIVERSITY OF OTTAWA)

#### **ELIL & ESL**

This extensive grammar site, offered by the University of Ottawa's Writing Centre, introduces students to the inner workings of the English language.

http://bit.ly/hypergrammar



# IMPROVE YOUR WRITING (UNIVERSITY OF BRISTOL)

#### **ELIL & ESL**

For advanced students, this site provides clear explanations of various elements of grammar, punctuation, and writing style.

http://bit.ly/improveyourwriting



# SELF-STUDY QUIZZES FOR ESL STUDENTS

#### **ESL**

Straightforward and easy-to-use, this site offers ESL students over 1,000 activities to perfect their English skills.

http://a4esl.org/



# USING ENGLISH.COM: ESL TEACHER HANDOUTS, GRAMMAR WORKSHEETS & PRINTABLES

#### **ESL**

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