

DICTIONARIES

Dictionary.com

<http://dictionary.reference.com/>

An online dictionary of the English language. This website also includes links to dictionaries in other languages (Spanish, German, French, Italian, etc.), a thesaurus, and a translation service that will translate sentences into various languages.

Microsoft Encarta Dictionary

<http://encarta.msn.com/encnet/features/dictionary/dictionaryhome.aspx>

is Microsoft's pronouncing English dictionary, *Encarta*. Students can enter words and they will be pronounced.

CLICHES

Cliché Origins

www.businessballs.com/clichesorigins.htm

Audiosite

English Interactive.net

www.englishinteractive.net

GRAMMAR

Guide to Grammar and Writing

<http://webster.commnet.edu/grammar/>

This site contains dozens of digital handouts on grammar and English usage, over 170 computer graded quizzes, and recommendations on writing—from sentence structure to research papers.

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ESL Internet Sites for Students



The following is an annotated list of websites useful for English as a Second Language (ESL) students. The Internet offers not only written text but audio sounds and full-motion video images that can be easily heard and seen.

Activities for ESL Students

<http://a4esl.org/>

This website contains over 1,000 quizzes, exercises, and puzzles to help students study English as a second language.

Dave's ESL Café

<http://eslcafe.com>

A good introductory site for learning English as a foreign or second language, bringing together a wide variety of Internet sites into one convenient spot. By selecting "Web Guide Links" from the main screen, then Listening, Pronunciation, or Video, students can link to audio or video resources.

English as a Second Language Homepage

www.rong-chang.com

A "starting point for ESL learners who want to learn English through the World Wide Web." Scroll past the ads for stories, grammar, pronunciation and comprehension.

English Exercises Online

www.smic.be/smic5022/Nieuwmain.htm

Designed for students of English as a foreign language, this site provides both online and worksheet activities teaching English.

Lessons and exercises in grammar, vocabulary, reading comprehension, and more are included.

English Zone

<http://english-zone.com>

Provides links to websites for grammar, spelling, reading, verbs, pronunciation, writing, and more.

Interesting Things for ESL Students

www.manythings.org

A “fun site for students of the English language.” This site includes puzzles, work games, quizzes, slang, flash cards, and much more.

Karin’s ESL Partyland Music

www.eslpartyland.com/students/nov/music.htm

Popular English speaking music—everything from classic rock of the 1960s to rap—provides an excellent way for students to learn about American culture and language. This website is designed to help music lovers practice their English. It includes quizzes, a discussion forum where students can share their musical thoughts, and links to other websites about music. At this site, students can also listen to music and watch music videos.

OWL Online Writing English: English as a Second Language (ESL) Resources, Handouts, and Exercises

<http://owl.english.purdue.edu/handouts/index2.html#esl>

Designed to assist ESL students with their writing skills, this site provides handouts and exercises on idioms, spelling, verbs, and sentence fragments, as well as information on writing for a particular audience. Printer-friendly versions of all the handouts are available.

Randall’s ESL Cyber Listening Lab

www.esl-lab.com/index.htm

This site provides a variety of audio narrations (dialog) that students can listen to. The narrations are in different difficulty levels, and there are accompanying listening comprehension quizzes.

Sounds of English

<http://soundsofenglish.org/>

This website is designed for learners of English and their teachers. It includes English pronunciation pages—pictures, sounds, and videos to help learners with their English. The site also includes listening exercises with online activities, printable worksheets, and teacher guides.

Suggested Fiction for English as a Second Language Learners

www.lavc.cc.ca.us/Library/bib-esl.htm

A list of novels that would be interesting to ESL students at the high school and college level.

TOEFL.ORG

www.toefl.org

“The Office Web Site for the Test of English as a Foreign Language.” The site includes sample questions from the test.

Tower of English: The ESL Guide to the Internet

<http://towerofenglish.com/>

Aimed at both students and teachers of English as a second language, this site covers hundreds of websites in an A to Z list that uses “endless games and fun activities to catch the interest and imagination of ESL students.”