RECOMMENDED WEB SITES FOR STUDENTS OF ENGLISH

SITES OF SPECIAL INTEREST

- http://dsc.discovery.com/ News, TV shows, Videos.
- http://elc.polyu.edu.hk/cill/default4.htm Some sites are really interesting.
- http://eolf.univ-fcomte.fr/index.php?page=home Resource site for both teachers and students.
- http://iteslj.org/links/ Most interesting links for EFL teachers and students
- http://www.agendaweb.org Hundreds of English grammar, vocabulary, verbs and listening exercises.
- http://www.bbc.co.uk/worldservice/learningenglish/ Everything you need to improve your English
- http://www.biography.com/ Biographies, interviews, games and videos.
- http://www.efl.net/EFL learning site
- http://www.ego4u.com/Grammar and vocabulary, news, business English, lesson plans
- http://www.englisch-hilfen.de/en/index.htm A bit of everything. Very complete
- http://www.englishclub.com/ Lessons, games, quizzes, blogs, forums, chat, lesson plans.
- http://www.free-tv-video-online.info/internet/ Nearly 100 of TV series, all in English. There are lots of links in each chapter and it's easy to find them subtitled in Spanish.
- http://www.learnenglish.org.uk/ British Council web site.
- http://www.learnenglishfeelgood.com/eslvideo/esl_trailer9.html Full of ESL/EFL resources
- http://www.mansioningles.com/ English for all levels.
- http://www.manythings.org/ A fun study site.
- http://www.momomesh.com/ Movies and TV series in English, many of them subtitled in English.
- http://www.npr.org/ The official site of the public American radio. Interesting news.
- http://www.onestopenglish.com/ Resource site for English language teachers.
- http://www.real-english.com/ Authentic and natural ESL videos of people speaking real English on streets across the globe.
- http://www.tolearnenglish.com/ Hundreds of exercises of all kinds.
- http://www.usingenglish.com/ Tools & resources for students and teachers.
- http://www.visi.es/ A bit of everything.

SPEAKING

- http://english.specialist.hu/a3/xtt/thteme.htm General guide to an oral exam at intermediate level
- http://iteslj.org/questions/ Conversation questions for the ESL/EFL Classroom
- http://www.britishcouncil.org/languageassistant-arc-essuk.htm
 Activities and useful links based on contemporary U.K. topics and issues
- http://www.effective-public-speaking.com/ Effective public speaking skills.
- http://www.eslpartyland.com/teachers/nov/conv.htm#reading Topics and conversation questions.
- http://www.intlcenter.org/archives.htm The International Centre in New York. Conversation
- http://www.splendidspeaking.podomatic.com/
 Speaking skills for advanced learners with podcasts

LISTENING

- http://australianetwork.com/learnenglish/ Learn in the comfort of your own home. Very complete.
- http://www.bbc.co.uk/worldservice/learningenglish/webcast/ Listen online, script and download mp3.
- http://www.britishcouncil.org/learnenglish-central-skills-listening.htm
 Full of excellent listening: stories, articles, poems. Most of them downloadable.
- http://www.carolinebrownlisteninglessons.com/ English listening exercises
- http://www.elllo.org/index.htm listening resources designed especially for ESL and EFL students and teachers.
- http://www.englishclub.com/listening/index.htm Links to sites where you can listen to English.
- http://www.englishlistening.com/ English Listening Lounge. A natural way to learn English; it is fun and it works
- http://www.esl-lab.com/ ESL Vocabulary Quizzes for Listening Activities.
- http://www.focusenglish.com/index.html Conversational English skills.
- http://www.fonetiks.org/dictations/ Dictation, mainly literature followed by short listening exercises.
- http://www.guardianweekly.co.uk/podcasts A collection of Guardian Weekly podcasts
- http://www.lyrics.com/ Find the song, read the lyrics and sing along.

- http://www.npr.org/ An excellent site for news
- http://www.sciencefriday.com/ Listen to reports about science and technology.
- http://www.streema.com/ Online radio tuner to listen, discover and share radios with your friends.
- http://www.vaughantelevision.com/ Many hours of recorded classes. All levels available.
- http://www.voanews.com/specialenglish/podcasts.cfm Voice of America learning English podcasts

READING AND VOCABULARY

- http://academics.smcvt.edu/cbauer-ramazani/Links/esl reading.htm Reading resources and exercises.
- http://esl.about.com/od/englishreadingskills/English Reading Comprehension Skills for ESL EFL learners
- http://iteslj.org/links/ESL/Reading/ Reading .This is a sub-page of the Internet TESL Journal
- http://literacynet.org/cnnsf/archives.html Stories with learning resources.
- http://www.betterenglish.org.ph/Reading/Reading.htm Reading: discussions and interactive exercises
- http://www.booksshouldbefree.com/ Free audio books.
- http://www.britishcouncil.org/learnenglish-central-themes.htm Each week a different theme with an article.
- http://www.fun-with-words.com/ the wordplay web site with lots of topics
- http://www.penguindossiers.com/ Monthly dossiers, some with audio.
- http://www.readwritethink.org/index.asp Reading resources

WRITING

- http://depts.gallaudet.edu/englishworks/writing/letter/writingletters.html Writing letters
- http://eolit.hrw.com/hlla/newmainlinks/writ.jsp Interactive writer's models with tips.
- http://members.tripod.com/~lklivingston/essay/index.html Guide to writing a basic essay.
- http://www.explorewriting.co.uk/ An extensive resource for aspiring writers.
- http://www.geocities.com/soho/atrium/1437/index.html The 5 paragraph essay.
- http://www.jcu.edu.au/office/tld/writingskills/essay/structure.html Essay writing.
- http://www.listen-and-write.com/ Great dictation programme-choose a text, listen and rewrite or fill in the gaps.
- http://www.spellingcity.com/ Test your spelling with some interactive activities.
- http://www.teacherjoe.us/Write.html Learn English writing. Sample compositions with corrections.
- http://www.writefix.com/argument/ Argument and opinion essay writing
- http://www1.aucegypt.edu/academic/writers/ Ten steps to writing an essay

GRAMMAR

- http://a4esl.org Grammar guizzes, tests, exercises and puzzles
- http://club.telepolis.com/englishweb/index.html Interactive workbook. English activities.
- http://grammar.ccc.commnet.edu/grammar/ Guide to grammar and writing.
- http://perso.wanadoo.es/autoenglish/freeexercises.htm Grammar notes and handouts for EFL
- http://www.carolinebrownenglishlessons.com/
 Phrasal verbs
- http://www.edufind.com/english/grammar/TOC.CFM
 Grammar, punctuation, tests...
- http://www.englishgrammarsecrets.com/ Grammar lessons for self study or consolidation.
- http://www.english-online.org.uk/ English language course: grammar, reading, podcasts....
- http://www.englishpage.com/ In-depth English tutorials featuring dozens of interactive exercises.
- http://www.englishtenseswithcartoons.com/ Learn/teach verb tenses.
- http://www.learn-english-online.org/English for beginners.
- http://www.pearsonlongman.com/ae/azar/grammar ex/ Grammar exchange forum.
- http://www.theirregularverbs.com/index.php Irregular verbs, pronunciation.

PRONUNCIATION

- http://cambridgeenglishonline.com/Phonetics Focus/ A wide range of fun resources to help you improve your pronunciation
- http://esl.about.com/library/weekly/aa100500a.htm English pronunciation practice
- http://evaeaston.com/pr/home.html Authentic American pronunciation
- http://international.ouc.bc.ca/pronunciation/ Listening/pronunciation from Okanagan College in Canada
- http://iteslj.org/links/ESL/Pronunciation/ Pronunciation links of Interest to EFL Students
- http://lc.ust.hk/~material/pl/index.html Pronunciation lessons
- http://www.bbc.co.uk/worldservice/learningenglish/grammar/pron/ Pronunciation tips

- http://www.e-pron.com/ ESL pronunciation work page
- http://www.fonetiks.org/ Online pronunciation guide.
- http://www.howjsay.com/ An English pronunciation dictionary with instant sound
- http://www.manythings.org/pp/ American English pronunciation practice
- http://www.okey-dokey.co.uk/speaking/pronunciation/stress.php Word stress and sentence stress
- http://www.phon.ucl.ac.uk/home/johnm/eptotd/tiphome.htm
 Tips to improve pronunciation.

DICTIONARIES

- http://dictionary.cambridge.org Cambridge dictionaries online
- http://espanol.babelfish.yahoo.com/?fr=404 Translation of short texts, max. 150 words.
- http://translate.google.com/translate t# Google translator
- http://www.ldoceonline.com/ online version of the CD-ROM of the Longman Dictionary of Contemporary English
- http://www.merriam-webster.com/ Dictionary and thesaurus online
- http://www.peevish.co.uk/slang/links.htm#british Slang dictionaries and language links
- http://www.thefreedictionary.com/ Excellent dictionary, encyclopaedia and thesaurus
- http://www.wordreference.com/ Online translation dictionaries
- http://www.yourdictionary.com/ Online dictionary

NEWSPAPERS, MAGAZINES

- http://www.britishpapers.co.uk/ All about the United Kingdom's national, regional and local press
- http://www.economist.com/
- http://www.guardian.co.uk/
- http://www.independent.co.uk/
- http://www.msnbc.msn.com/
- http://www.nationalgeographic.com/ News, audio and video.
- http://www.nytimes.com/
- http://observer.guardian.co.uk/ Sunday paper
- http://www.onlinenewspapers.com/ Thousands of world newspapers at your fingertips.
- http://www.thedailytelegraph.co.uk/
- http://www.theonion.com/content/index Satirical magazine
- http://www.time.com/time/
- http://www.timesonline.co.uk/tol/news/

WORK /STUDY ABROAD

- http://europa.eu/youth/volunteering exchanges/index eu en.html European youth portal
- http://www.britishcouncil.org/usa-education Official source of information on studying in England, Scotland, Wales or Northern Ireland.
- http://www.bunac.org/ Work and volunteer programmes abroad.
- http://www.cao.ie/ Central Applications Office for higher education in Ireland
- http://www.direct.gov.uk/en/EducationAndLearning/UniversityAndHigherEducation/index.htm University and higher education in the UK
- http://www.do-it.org.uk/ Volunteering in the UK.
- http://www.embassyworld.com/ Directory of the world's embassies and consulates.
- http://www.europa-pages.com/au_pair/uk.html Au-pair work.
- http://www.studyabroad.com/default-ielts.html Information on educational opportunities for students in other countries
- http://www.studyoverseasglobal.com/ Advice on studying in the UK and Australia
- http://www.studyusa.com/ USA education guide for international students.

LIFE AND CULTURE

- http://holidays.kaboose.com Food, crafts and parties for every celebration.
- http://projectbritain.com/ All about British life and culture.
- http://www.canada.travel/splash.en-gb.html Explore Canada.
- http://www.cultureandrecreation.gov.au/ Australian culture and recreation portal.
- http://www.discovernorthernireland.com/ Northern Ireland Tourist Board
- http://www.great-britain.co.uk/ Information you need to enjoy a holiday or business trip

- http://www.holidays.net/ A wealth of information about the holiday, including its history and related activities.
- http://www.irishcultureandcustoms.com/ Learn about everything Irish.
- http://www.learnenglish.de/britishculture.htm British culture, customs and traditions
- http://www.theholidayzone.com/ Learning resources for all of your favourite seasonal holidays
- http://www.theus50.com/ Provides information about each state concerning geography, tourism, history ...
- http://www.tourism.net.nz/new-zealand/about-new-zealand/culture.html New Zealand Tourism guide
- http://www.tourismireland.com/ Ireland as a holiday destination
- http://www.visitlondon.com/ London's visitor's guide
- http://www.visitscotland.com/ Scotland's visitor's guide
- http://www.visitwales.com/ The official Visit Wales site.
- http://www.yourirish.com/ Fascinating facts and stories of Ireland and the Irish people.
- www.virtualoceania.net/newzealand/culture/maori Maori culture.

EUROPEAN LANGUAGE PORTFOLIO (COUNCIL OF EUROPE)

- http://www.ecml.at/ European Centre for Modern Languages
- http://www.oapee.es/oapee/intro.html Educational European Programmes (MEC)
- http://www.coe.int/T/DG4/Portfolio/ European Language Portfolio
- http://www.dialang.org/intro.htm Council of Europe self-placement test in many languages.
- http://www.eun.org/portal/index.htm European Schoolnet, a partnership of 31 European Ministries of Education.