

Literacy Education Resources in CCOL and Web

This handout identifies the most helpful resources for Literacy Education. For general education resources, see Education Resources in General the Education section of http://www.cambridgecollege.edu/library/ccol_research.cfm

Journal, document, book, and periodicals in CCOL

On the CCOL HOME page, the *Search here for Education* search box will search these databases:

- Academic Search Premier
- Wilson OmniFile Select Full Text Edition
- Education Research Complete
- ERIC
- PsycArticles
- PsycBooks
- PsycExtra
- PsycInfo
- Research Starters in Education
- SocIndex with Full Text
- Health Source Nursing/Academic Edition
- Ebrary

Research Starters in Education

“Research Starters are study and research guides...They consist of comprehensive, yet concise topic summary articles of about 3,000 words in length written by researchers, scholars and other subject matter experts.” Use the Research Starters to explore topics and get your research started.

- On the CCOL HOME page, click *Direct to Databases*
- Click *EBSCOHost*
- Click *Databases A-Z*
- Scroll down and click on the title *Research Starters in Education*
- Put a term in the search box and click Search. For example:
 - 24 articles on “literacy education”
 - 69 articles on “teaching AND reading”
 - 72 articles on “teaching AND writing”
 - 21 results on “Literacy programs”
 - 6 results for “oral development”
 - 8 results on “children’s literature”
 - 15 results for “second language acquisition”
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Ebrary Electronic Books in CCOL

To search for literacy education books in the Ebrary Electronic Books collection:

- From the CCOL HOME page, click Direct to Databases
- Click Ebrary Electronic Books
- Click Advanced (to the right of the “Search Ebrary” box)
- Use the drop-down menu of the “Search in” box to search by subject (or title, author, etc.)

- For example, a Search in SUBJECT for _____ yields more than _____ books including
 - 85 books on “Literacy” as a Subject term
 - 103 books with “literacy” as a Title term
 - 132 books on “language acquisition” AND “children – writing” (Subject terms)
 - 146 books on “language acquisition” AND “children – reading” (Subject terms)
 - 29 books on “teaching AND writing” (Subject terms)
 - 19 books on “bilingualism in children” as a Subject term
 - 34 books on “children’s literature” as a Subject term
 - 112 books on “teaching AND elementary” (Subject terms)

Recommended Websites

Although not from scholarly journals, useful information can be found on the web. Most of these sites come highly recommended from a national survey of reference librarians.

Note: websites can change and disappear at any time! If the URL doesn’t work, try putting the name of the site into Google.

Links to sites for teaching literature

<http://school.discoveryeducation.com/schrockguide/arts/artlit.html>

Resources for teaching language arts

- http://www.thegateway.org/portal_seamarksearch/makesearch?past=subject|http://purl.org/gem/instance/subject/GEM-S/language_arts|||language%20arts|*
- http://www.eduref.org/cgi-bin/res.cgi/Subjects/Language_Arts
- <http://www.readwritethink.org/>

Reading assessment database

<http://www.sedl.org/reading/rad/list.html>

Teaching reading resources

<http://scout.wisc.edu/Archives/SPT--AdvancedSearch.php?Q=Y&FK=reading&RP=5&SR=0&ST=Advanced>

Children’s literature resources

<http://scout.wisc.edu/Archives/SPT--AdvancedSearch.php?Q=Y&FK=children%27s+literature&RP=5&SR=0&ST=Advanced>

Research and innovation in literacy, including internationally <http://literacy.org/home>

Pre-school age literacy materials <http://www.literacycenter.net/>

Reading Rockets First year teacher resources <http://www.readingrockets.org/firstyear/>

Language Arts printable teaching materials

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

Free language worksheets

<http://www.dositey.com/2008/index-page-home.php>

ESL teaching materials

<http://www.esl4teachers.com/>

Literacy Education for the 21st Century

<http://www2.scholastic.com/browse/article.jsp?id=7208>

Handbook of Instructional Practices for Literacy Teacher-Educators

<http://msit.gsu.edu/handbook/>

Teaching Literacy Across the Curriculum <http://literacyteacher.com/>

Literacy Connections: Promoting Literacy Skills and a Love of Reading

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

Choice Literacy – most of this site requires a paid membership, but the resources look very good: <http://www.choiceliteracy.com/>

Inspiring Middle School Literacy

<http://www.teachersdomain.org/special/adlit/>

Reading teacher's network <http://www.readingteachersnetwork.org/>

Resources by Topic from International Reading Association

<http://www.reading.org/Resources/ResourcesByTopic.aspx>

Resources and Tools from Reading Teachers Network

<http://www.readingteachersnetwork.org/resources-and-tools/>

Hundreds of articles on reading education <http://www.readingonline.org/>

Reading Teacher Resources for K-12 (free trial available on this paid site)

<http://www.teachervision.fen.com/reading/teacher-resources/33727.html>

Teaching and Assessing Reading Skills

<http://teacher.scholastic.com/reading/>

Dictionaries etc.

Literacy Strategies Glossary

<http://www.education.ky.gov/KDE/Instructional+Resources/Literacy/Literacy+Strategies+Glossary>

Glossary of Literacy Terms

<http://www.sil.org/lingualinks/literacy/referencematerials/glossaryofliteracyterms/index.htm>

Literacy Glossary

<http://www.teachervision.fen.com/pro-dev/skill-builder/48776.html>

A glossary of terms inspired by the ladies of children's literature

<http://jezebel.com/#!5238162/a-glossary-of-terms-inspired-by-the-ladies-of-childrens-literature>

Legal information

Adult Education and Family Literacy Act of 1998

<http://www2.ed.gov/policy/adulted/leg/legis.html>

Academic Standards

National Council of Teaching English standards for English/Language Arts

<http://www.ncte.org/standards>

Links to independent literacy programs by state <http://www.literacyconnections.com/forum>

Statistics and demographics

National Center for Education Statistics on "literacy"

http://nces.ed.gov/search/?output=xml_no_dtd&site=nces&client=nces&q=literacy

Associations

International Reading Association

<http://www.reading.org/General/Default.aspx>

Need Opinions or Interview or Survey Respondents?

These are results from the Google search "education forums"

<http://education-forums.com/>

<http://chronicle.com/forums/>

Video and Audio Podcasts

Videos of classroom instruction from Reading Teachers Network

<http://www.readingteachersnetwork.org/library/>

video "Literacy education of Goochland County <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=81AQ3laKStY>

Audio books for kids – hundreds of free stories <http://www.kidsaudiobooks.co.uk/>

Youtube on “literacy children”

http://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=literacy+children&aq=f

Youtube for educators: search it for children’s literature; literacy development; teaching reading; etc.

<http://www.youtube.com/education?b=400>

TED talk by a young advocate for children’s literacy

http://www.ted.com/speakers/adora_svitak.html

TED talk by Dave Eggers about his very successful writing/reading tutoring centers

http://blog.ted.com/2008/03/18/dave_eggers/

Do You Need Books to Expand Your Research?

Google Books at <http://books.google.com> is amazing!

- Be sure to search it for your subject area!
- Click “Advanced Book Search” and check “Full View Only” to limit the search to full-text results
- “PartialView” can also provide plenty of full-text

<http://www.amazon.com> or <http://www.bn.com> Use these easy search engine to get lists of books on your topic and to read excerpts, but try to get the books from your local library or buy from your local independent bookstore. Or, buy a less expensive used copy from an online independent bookstore at <http://www.bookfinder.com>

If you can't find what you need or you need more, ask yourself:

Who would care about this topic?

Where would they publish what they know?