



Open Educational Resources (OER)

A Comprehensive Guide with Quick Links

Office of Adult Education
TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM OF GEORGIA

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OER Resources

Many of the websites listed below are repositories of multiple webpages that vary by subject and level. However, they are well organized and most resources are aligned to the CCSS, CCRS, or ELPS.

Reading

Curriculum / Content Libraries

[ACC Library Services](#) | Website with multiple resources embedded organized by subject.

[CommonLit](#) | <https://www.commonlit.org/en>

(Terms) Free collection of nonfiction and literary texts that can be filtered by reading anchor standards, Lexile levels, genres, themes, and more. Texts can be downloaded and printed, while the online versions can be read in read-aloud mode, which includes formative checks throughout the reading. Additionally, many texts are linked to related texts and media to deepen student understanding and extend concepts.

[Curriki](#) | Online community which allows for creation, sharing, and organizing of OER content.

[Reading Skills for Today's Adults](#) | <https://www.readingskills4today.com/>

(CC-BY-NC-SA) From Minnesota Southwest ABE, this set of nearly 350 texts includes topics such as civics, employment, housing, health, school, money, and government. Each text has three audio recordings at increasing speeds, helping learners develop their fluency skills, along with an activity supplement that includes vocabulary, language, speaking, comprehension, and writing activities.

[ReadWorks](#) | <https://www.readworks.org/>

(Terms) Comprehensive set of leveled texts with audio recording, vocabulary, and questions sets. Readings are searchable by content, topic, and Lexile levels. A Paired Texts feature presents two texts on the same topic, with questions that lead students to draw comparisons between the two.

[Reading for Healthcare Workers](#) | <https://www.reading4healthcareworkers.com/>

(Free) Also from Minnesota SW ABE. All 175 of these texts are contextualized to healthcare scenarios. Each reading includes three audio recordings at varying speeds; the passages themselves also are downloadable, as are the pre- and post-reading question sets that accompany each text.

[Washington Office of Superintendent of Public Schools](#) | Website with organized links to other websites, by subject.

[OpenED](#) – Assessment-driven instruction powered by standards-aligned OER. Click on Resource Library.

[OER2Go](#) – Set of downloadable OER content sets, including KA Lite, from World Possible. Ideal for correctional settings.

[Web-based Text Library](#) | <http://csal.gsu.edu/content/library>

(Free) From the Center for the Study of Adult Literacy. Over 1,600 web-based readings organized into *Easier*, *Medium*, and *Harder* levels across topics such as health, jobs & work, money, social studies, science, and other life skills. All texts were reviewed for readability level and subject matter.

[OER Commons](#) | A large collection of OER, including textbooks, courses, and ancillary materials.

[MERLOT](#) | Provides access to curated learning materials and content creation tools.

[OASIS](#) | Openly Available Sources Integrated Search (OASIS) is a search tool that makes the discovery of open content easier. Search 88 different sources that contain 352,345 records.

[The Orange Grove](#) | Provides an environment for educators to search for, use, remix, share, and contribute educational resources.

Adult Reads: Adult Literacy Fundamental English

(CC-BY) Part of the [BC Campus](#) Open Textbook initiative, this set of six downloadable course packs and readers includes instruction and exercise spanning levels GLEs 1 - 12. Each book can be downloaded as a Word document, meaning you can add to, adjust, and configure content as needed.

[Course Pack 1](#)

[Course Pack 2](#)

[Course Pack 3](#)

[Course Pack 4](#)

[Course Pack 5](#)

[Course Pack 6](#)

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[Reader 6](#)

Vocabulary

[Learning Chocolate](#) | <http://www.learningchocolate.com/>

(Free) Great for ESL students. A range of simple, user-friendly activities that use pictures, sounds, and games to help students learn vocabulary. Each set of words is practiced through a standard sequence of structured, interactive activities that include listening, speaking, comprehension, and spelling practice.

[Quizlet](#) | <https://quizlet.com/>

(Terms) Website where study sets of content (often vocabulary oriented) are created, shared, and used by more than 30 million learners monthly. Study sets include a range of interactive activities that can be integrated into many LMS's, and can be downloaded and printed as flashcards.

[GCF Learn Free](#) | <https://www.gcflearnfree.org/readingactivities/>

(Terms) Included within the Reading section of resources are a number of word, phonetics, and vocabulary activities. Categorized words follow a repetitive sequence of interactivities.

Reading Skills

[Ereading Worksheets](#) | <https://www.ereadingworksheets.com/>

(Terms) Comprehensive set of high-quality readings, worksheets, activities, and resources aligned to the Common Core State Standards. Includes reading assessments, activities, and instructional worksheets that help teach language, writing, figurative language, and a wide range of reading skills.

[Common Core Sheets](#) | <http://www.commoncoresheets.com/>

(Free) Extensive set of worksheets in all subjects, including worksheets for language arts, writing, and spelling. There are multiple downloadable worksheets for each concept.

[BBC SkillsWise](#) | <http://www.bbc.co.uk/skillswise/0/>

(Terms) Excellent set of worksheets and downloadable PDFs covering a range of skills in reading, writing, grammar, spelling, sentence structure, and speaking and listening. For each skill, there are videos that help learners understand the real-world applications of the skill.

[Newsela](#) | <https://newsela.com/>

(Terms) Thousands of current events and content articles that can be filtered by standard and topic. Lexile levels of each text can be adjusted so learners at multiple levels can access the same content. Readings include vocabulary activities, writing prompts, and a standards-aligned quiz. Login required.

Mathematics

Curriculum

[ACC Library Services](#) | Website with multiple resources embedded organized by subject

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Khan Academy | <https://www.khanacademy.org/>

Learning platform with video content and assessments ranging across a number of topic areas, best known for its collection of math videos.

Illustrative Mathematics | <https://www.illustrativemathematics.org/>

Full middle school math curriculum from Open Up Resources and Learn Zillion. All content is CC-BY.

Adult Literacy Fundamentals Mathematics

Part of the [BC Campus](#) Open Textbook initiative, this set of six downloadable books includes instruction and exercise spanning levels GLEs 1 - 12. Each book is open and can be downloaded as a Word doc, meaning you can add to, adjust, and reconfigure content as needed. All content is CC-BY.

[Book 1](#) | [Book 2](#) | [Book 3](#) | [Book 4](#) | [Book 5](#) | [Book 6](#)

Engage NY - Eureka Math | <https://www.engageny.org/>

From the New York State Department of Education, this K-12 curriculum is broken into strand/topic modules that include downloadable teacher and student resources. All content is CC-BY-NC-SA.

Math Planet | <https://www.mathplanet.com/>

Set of text and video-based high-school level courses in Pre-algebra, Algebra 1 & 2, and Geometry. All content is CC-BY-NC-ND.

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[Florida Literacy Coalition](#) - Math Video Resources.

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Content Sets

Math Snacks | <http://mathsnacks.com/>, <http://mathsnacks.com/teaching-with.html>

From the New Mexico State University's Digital Learning Labs, a set of videos and games designed to address critical foundational concepts. Each snack includes teacher and learner guides, a video about teaching with the snack, a comic book illustration of the video, and more.

Math Antics | <http://www.mathantics.com/>

High quality, engaging videos across the areas of basic arithmetic, fractions, geometry, percent, and basic algebra. All of the videos are also available on their [YouTube Channel](#).

Mathispower4U | <http://www.mathispower4u.com/>

Set of over 5,000 video math tutorials by instructor James Sousa. All videos are licensed CC-BY-SA, have closed captioning, and are ADA compliant.

Inquiry/Problem-Based Resources

PhET | <https://phet.colorado.edu/>

Interactive simulations for Math & Science that engage students through an intuitive, game-like environment where students learn through exploration and discovery.

Open Middle | <http://www.openmiddle.com/>

Comprehensive set of challenging math problems organized by standards and mathematical practices. Problems are posed in a way that they have they have a “closed beginning,” meaning that they all start with the same initial problem; a “closed end” meaning that they all end with the same answer; and an “open middle” meaning that there are multiple ways to approach and solve the problem.

Visual Patterns | <http://www.visualpatterns.org/>

Great set of resources for developing an understanding of algebraic formulas using visual patterns. For guidance on how to use visual patterns to develop algebraic thinking, check out [this lesson guide](#) from the New York State Department of Education and the Queens Borough Public Library.

101 Questions | <http://101qs.com>

Set of images and videos intended to inspire mathematical inquiry. Educators are invited to contribute, and a number of the prompts are supported problem based activities with facilitation guidance.

Additional Resources

Math Open Reference | <http://www.mathopenref.com/index.html>

Open reference guide for a number of middle and high school mathematics concepts. Content includes interactive graphics and simulations.

Math Games | <https://www.mathgames.com/>

Extensive set of math games and downloadable worksheets across concepts ranging from GLE K through 8. Each time you download a worksheet, a unique set of questions is created so there are multiple opportunities to provide worksheets on the same topic with different content each time.

Math Is Fun - (supplemental teaching, games, or activities)

Common Core Sheets | <http://www.commoncoresheets.com/>

Extensive set of worksheets in all subjects, but a heavy emphasis on math concepts across all grade levels. There are multiple downloadable worksheets for each concept.

Writing/Language

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[Khan Academy—Grammar Course](#) | <https://www.khanacademy.org/humanities/grammar>
(**CC-BY-NC-SA**) Learning platform with video content and assessments ranging across a number of topic areas, best known for its math videos. The grammar course includes over 200 lessons and activities.

[BBC SkillsWise](#) | <http://www.bbc.co.uk/skillswise/0/>
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Grammar, Writing, & Language Skills

[ACC Library Services](#) | Website with multiple resources embedded organized by subject

[Quill](#) | <https://www.quill.org/>

(**Terms**) Extensive set of interactive grammar and writing activities that span all levels. Quill's range of activities includes diagnostics, instructor-led lessons, sentence writing activities to develop grammar, and passage proofreading tasks to practice spotting common errors, all of which are interactive, allow students to practice typing, and provide personalized feedback based on student work.

[Grammar Bytes](#) | <http://www.chompchomp.com>

(**Terms**) Extensive and often entertaining set of handouts, presentations, interactive exercises, and videos that provide instruction and practice of challenging grammatical concepts.

[English Language Center Study Zone](#) | <https://web2.uvcs.uvic.ca/elc/studyzone/>

(**CC-BY-NC-SA**) From the University of Victoria and designed for English Language Learners, this resource includes activities ranging from Upper Beginner to Advanced ESL levels. Activities include an extensive set of online grammar lessons and practice sets (see their [Grammar Index](#)), reading and listening sets, and themed readings with related language activities at Upper Intermediate and Advanced levels.

[Ereading Worksheets](https://www.ereadingworksheets.com/) | <https://www.ereadingworksheets.com/>

(Terms) Comprehensive set of worksheets, activities, and resources that includes resources for writing topics, writing rubrics for various writing genres, grammar worksheets with online tests, and worksheets for sentence structure, punctuation, parts of speech, and verb tenses.

Vocabulary

[Learning Chocolate](http://www.learningchocolate.com/) | <http://www.learningchocolate.com/>

(Free) Great for ESL students, a range of simple, user-friendly activities that use pictures, sounds, and games to help students learn basic English vocabulary. Each set of words is practiced through a standard sequence of structured, interactive activities that include listening, speaking, comprehension, and spelling practice. Content sets for writing and language include [Alphabet/Phonics](#), [Actions](#), [Shapes/Colors](#), [People](#), [Opposites](#), and [Grammar](#).

[Appalachian State University](https://abspd.appstate.edu/vocabulary-lessons) | <https://abspd.appstate.edu/vocabulary-lessons>

(Free) Designed by ABE instructors, set of nearly 40 downloadable vocabulary lessons to teach Tier 2 vocabulary words. Each 5-word lesson includes activities that cover parts of speech, word meanings, synonyms/antonyms, sentence completion, words in context, and more. CrowdED Learning has created [this set of Quizlet decks](#) to provide interactive practice for every lesson.

Writing Prompts

[Something to Write About—Writing Prompts for ELLs and Literacy Students](#) | [Resource Link](#) **(Free)**

From Bill Zimmerman’s *Make Believe Comix*, this is a downloadable eBook that includes interesting writing prompts to just get students writing. The eBook can be saved and contains editable text entry fields so students can type directly in the book. [Make Believe Comix](#) has a number of different, engaging downloadable eBooks designed to engage learners in writing.

[ProCon.org](https://www.procon.org/) | <https://www.procon.org/>

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Science

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[Khan Academy](https://www.khanacademy.org/) | <https://www.khanacademy.org/>

Learning platform with video content and assessments ranging across a number of topic areas, best known for its collection of math videos. Science courses include [Physics](#), [Chemistry](#), [Biology](#), [Electrical Engineering](#), and [Health & Medicine](#).

Ck12 | <https://www.ck12.org/student/>

A variety of resources covering a number of science and math topics. Content is organized by topic, and includes FlexBook® Textbooks, videos, study guides, and PLIX interactive simulations. Content includes earth, life, and physical science, licensed CC-BY-NC.

AAAS Science | <http://assessment.aaas.org>

Part of Project 2061, a long-term science education reform initiative, this site includes a bank of over 600 items to test student understanding in the earth, life, physical sciences, and the nature of science. Questions have been specifically designed to test for common misconceptions as well as correct ideas.

CrashCourse | <https://thecrashcourse.com/>

Set of video courses in a number of subject areas, including Science. Also available as YouTube playlists, Science courses include [Anatomy & Physiology](#), [Biology](#), [Chemistry](#), [Physics](#) and more.

ASAPScience | <http://www.asapscience.com/>

AsapSCIENCE aims to make science fun and accessible to people from all walks of life by tackling questions and issues in a different way than most. Videos answer scientific questions across a range of topics and new videos are regularly added. All videos are available by way of a [YouTube station](#)

TV411 Science – What’s Cooking? | <http://www.tv411.org/science>

Video series in which science concepts are taught within the context of a cooking show. Science terms are broken down within the video. Most videos integrate math and reading concepts. Each video includes handouts that include the recipe being made, Q&A, and an overview of the science concept(s) covered in the video. A teacher’s guide includes vocabulary and pre- and post-viewing questions.

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Topic-Specific Content

Simple English Wikipedia | https://simple.wikipedia.org/wiki/Main_Page

Open online encyclopedia that is intentionally written in simple English to make it easier to comprehend concepts being learned. Most of the articles are adapted from the original Wikipedia article. Articles can be downloaded and printed or assembled into a book that can be downloaded as a PDF or printed on demand (at a cost). All content on Wikipedia, including images, is Creative Commons licensed.

The Concord Consortium—Molecular Workbench | <http://mw.concord.org/modeler/>

Hundreds of free and open source downloadable simulations in physics, chemistry, biology, biotechnology, and nanotechnology.

Virtual Cell Animation Center | <http://vcell.ndsu.edu/animations/>

National Science Foundation-funded learning center that contains videos and virtual simulations organized into molecular processes, cellular processes, and cellular energy conversion. For each animation, there are image and text walkthroughs of each of the steps, broken out into “First Look” and “Advanced Look” sequences, as well as a video with full transcript. All content is licensed CC-BY-NC-ND.

FuseSchool YouTube Playlist | <https://www.youtube.com/user/virtualschooluk/featured>

Expansive set of short videos that that comprehensively cover topics in [Biology](#), [Chemistry](#), and [Physics](#).

Science News for Students | <https://www.sciencenewsforstudents.org/>

Expansive site of interesting science news articles, each of which includes a list of words and definitions for the science vocabulary used.

Social Studies

Curriculum Resources

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Khan Academy | <https://www.khanacademy.org/>

Learning platform with video content and assessments ranging across a number of topic areas, most well-known for its collection of math videos. Social Studies courses include [US History](#), [World History](#), [Macroeconomics](#), and [Microeconomics](#).

Citizenship Resource Center | <https://www.uscis.gov/citizenship/educators/lesson-plans-and-activities>

From US Citizenship and Immigration Services, lesson plans designed to prepare students for citizenship. Content includes American Government, American History, and Integrated Civics covered in the Civics Test as well as language needed for the reading and writing portions of the English Test. Handout activities encompass all four language skills: speaking, listening, reading, and writing.

CrashCourse | <https://thecrashcourse.com/>

Set of video courses in a number of subject areas, including Social Studies. Also available as YouTube playlists, Social Studies courses include [Economics](#), [Government](#), [US History](#), and two World History courses ([Course I](#) and [Course II](#)).

Digital History | <http://www.digitalhistory.uh.edu/>

Well-organized collection of United States history resources that can be viewed by topic or era. Content within each era includes an overview, a “textbook,” and additional resources including documents, images, music, film, teacher resources, and quizzes. (Note: This resource uses Flash.)

Stanford History Education Group | <https://sheg.stanford.edu/>

Excellent source of easy-to-implement lessons and assessments in historical and civic reasoning. *Reading Like a Historian* lessons engage learners in historical inquiry by having students analyze resources in relation to a historical question, rather than simply learning facts. “Beyond the Bubble” includes 80 assessments that measure students' historical thinking using resources from Library of Congress digital archive. Their recently updated [Civic Online Reasoning curriculum](#) (Dec 2019) provides lessons and assessments that help teach students how to evaluate online information.

Simple English Wikipedia | https://simple.wikipedia.org/wiki/Main_Page

Open online encyclopedia that is intentionally written in simple English to make it easier to comprehend the concepts being learned. Most of the articles are adapted from the original Wikipedia article. Articles can be downloaded and printed or assembled into a book that can be downloaded as a PDF or printed on demand (at a cost). All content on Wikipedia, including images, is Creative Commons licensed.

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Current Events

Newsela | <https://newsela.com/>

Thousands of current events and content area articles that can be filtered by standard and area of interest. Lexile levels of texts can be adjusted so learners at multiple levels can access the same content. Readings include vocabulary activities, writing prompts, and a standards-aligned quiz. Login required.

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Quizzes, Assessments, and Games

US Citizenship Naturalization Test | [Resource Link](#)

Great assessment for all learners to assess background and understanding of US history and civics.

Seterra Geography—Free Map Quiz Games | <https://online.seterra.com/>

Set of interactive online matching games in over 30 languages covering locations of countries, major cities, land and water forms, regions, and more. Many of the quizzes are printable. Great both for teaching geography and for honing learners' mouse skills.

English as a Second Language (ESL)

ESL Resources/Activities

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Animated English – Videos for ESL Instruction

GCF Learn Free—Work & Career | <https://www.gcflearnfree.org/subjects/career/>

Set of lessons and activities from GCFLearnFree.org that covers topics such as career planning, job search, workplace, and communication skills. Communication resources include tutorials on [Business Communication](#) and [Communication Skills](#), which includes email etiquette and writing tips.

Adele's ESL Corner | <http://adelescorner.org/index.html>

Wide array of activities, organized into “Easy” and “Medium” levels, with exercises focused on grammar, listening, reading, and vocabulary.

Activities for ESL Students | <http://a4esl.org/>

Library of activities for ESL students providing practice in grammar and vocabulary at easy, medium, and difficult levels. Additionally activities include over 100 “Flash Quizzes for English Study,” as well as a range of bilingual quizzes in over 40 languages. (Note: Much of the content is Flash based, meaning there are limitations to devices/browsers on which they can be used.)

The Listening Room | <http://esl.bowvalleycollege.ca/listen/mp3/>

A set of 36 listening and comprehension activities across three levels. Each activity includes an audio recording, followed by a set of questions related to the conversation. Each conversation includes a transcript and a fill in the blank version where the learner fills in the missing words as they listen.

Randall's ESL Cyber Listening Lab | <http://www.esl-lab.com/>

Comprehensive library of audio recordings of conversations covering a wide range of topics designed to develop listening comprehension skills. Conversations are organized by level of difficulty, and most of the conversations include comprehension quizzes, as well as additional activities. *Note: This website has a heavy amount of advertising, which can make it somewhat difficult to navigate.*

In the Workplace | <https://globalaccess.bowvalleycollege.ca/tools/workplace-intermediate-integrated-skills-textbook>

An integrated academic, communication, and employability skills textbook from Bow Valley College that can be viewed online or downloaded. Each chapter has an introduction, a video-based scenario, questions, a workplace reading, a listening activity, a writing activity, and a speaking activity. Quizzes for each activity can be launched online for immediate feedback. Additional activities include downloadable PDFs, research activities, and interactive skill instruction.

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Piclits | <https://www.piclits.com/>

Interactive site that builds vocabulary by matching key words to photographs. Learners can free write their own descriptions of photos, or can drag and drop words that are intentionally provided to correspond to the image being shown. Great, interactive, open-ended practice of vocabulary and grammar.

Language Learning Sites

USA Learns | <https://www.usalearns.org/>

Free ESL platform developed by the Sacramento County Office of Education with courses for English study and U.S. Citizenship with the ability for anyone to create an individual learner account. Learners can be given "keys" by which they can be added to classes managed by instructors. The English course includes an intake assessment; a mobile app on which students can practice listening, vocabulary, and speaking; and resources such as video scripts so students can practice speaking and listening together.

Duolingo | <https://www.duolingo.com/>

Free language learning app and website for anyone looking to learn a new language. Duolingo allows you to set your native language and the language you wish to learn, with over 23 languages available. Learners can develop their vocabulary in an easy-to-use, gamified format, and instructors now have the ability to track students' progress within their respective languages.

Workplace Skills and Career Pathways

Curriculum & Programming Resources

Career Foundations Curriculum | <https://womenemployed.org/bridge-programs-and-career-foundations/>

Full curriculum from Women Employed developed in partnership with City Colleges of Chicago. This downloadable curriculum is designed to help learners map out a plan for education that aligns to their career goals. Appropriate for low intermediate basic ABE and high intermediate basic ESL levels and above, learners come away with a personalized portfolio that will serve them throughout their future studies and includes an interest inventory, a basic academic plan, and a timeline for achieving goals. Licensed CC-SA-NC.

Learning Ladder - For Early Childhood Education IET Students

[NYSSED/CUNY Career Kit Project](#) | [Resource Link](#)

Comprehensive career preparation teaching resources for HSE and ESL learners that integrate reading, writing, research, and math skills within the context of work across 10 industry sectors. Career Kits are available in the following industries: Career Fundamentals, Healthcare, Technology, Community & Social Services, Education, Manufacturing, Hospitality & Tourism, Transportation & Warehousing, Food Production, Retail, and Construction.

[PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT—Adult Career Pathways Online Courses](#) | [Resource Link](#)

Set of PD courses from LINCS to help integrate career pathways in adult education programs in *Building Strategic Pathways, Developing Effective Bridge Programs, Designing Contextualized Instruction, Integrating Career Counseling and Planning, and Engaging Employers in Adult Career Pathways*.

[Reading for Healthcare Workers](#) | <https://www.reading4healthcareworkers.com/>

(Free) Also from Minnesota SW ABE. All 175 of these texts are contextualized to healthcare scenarios. Each reading includes three audio recordings at varying speeds; the passages themselves also are downloadable, as are the pre- and post-reading question sets that accompany each text.

[SkillsCommons](https://www.skillscommons.org/) | <https://www.skillscommons.org/>

OER repository that includes courses and modules developed for integrated education and training. Courses were developed through TAACCCT funded, community college consortia initiatives aimed at developing career pathways for adult learners in high-growth industries. All content is CC licensed.

[Women Employed: Bridge Lesson Plans](https://womenemployed.org/lesson-plans/) | <https://womenemployed.org/lesson-plans/>

Also from Women Employed, these free, downloadable bridge lesson plans start at high intermediate basic levels in manufacturing; health sciences; and transportation, distribution, & logistics.

Online Content Sites, Resources, and Activities

[GCF Learn Free—Work & Career](https://www.gcflearnfree.org/subjects/career/) | <https://www.gcflearnfree.org/subjects/career/> Set of lessons and activities from GCFLearnFree.org that covers topics such as career planning, job search, workplace, and communication skills. Includes tutorials on [completing job applications](#), [résumé writing](#), [writing cover letters](#), and [interviewing](#).

[Khan Academy—Careers](https://www.khanacademy.org/college-careers-more/career-content) | <https://www.khanacademy.org/college-careers-more/career-content>

Learning platform with video content and assessments ranging across a number of topic areas. The *Careers* course includes lessons and videos on careers in different areas of interest, including creative fields, building and fixing things, freelancing and entrepreneurship, community service, and more.

[Learning Chocolate](http://www.learningchocolate.com/) | <http://www.learningchocolate.com/>

Great for ESL students, user-friendly activities that use pictures, sounds, and games to help students learn basic English vocabulary. Each set of words is practiced through a standard sequence of structured, interactive activities that include listening, speaking, comprehension, and spelling practice. The content sets within the [Jobs category](#) include vocabulary for job skills, occupations, and interview questions.

[New World of Work](https://www.newworldofwork.org/) | <https://www.newworldofwork.org/>

A 21st-century skills program that incorporates three key components: a) a curriculum designed to be taught in a classroom/workshop setting, b) a work-based learning component, and c) a digital badge micro-credential. Lessons come with instructor lesson plans, PowerPoint presentations, “what not to do” videos, assessment videos, handouts, and the opportunity for learners to earn digital badges.

[Learn-to-Earn Toolkit](http://learntoearn toolkit.org/) | <http://learntoearn toolkit.org/>

From the National Council for Families Learning (NCFL), online, badge-based multi-level course that develops employability skills and includes free hard copy resources. Skills include critical thinking, diversity, oral and written communication, reading comprehension, professionalism, and teamwork.

In the Workplace | <https://globalaccess.bowvalleycollege.ca/tools/workplace-intermediate-integrated-skills-textbook>

Integrated academic, communication, and employability skills textbook from Bow Valley College (Canada) that can be viewed online or downloaded for offline viewing. Each chapter includes an introduction, a video-based scenario, and questions about the video. Chapters also include a workplace reading, a listening activity, a writing activity, and a speaking activity. Quizzes for each activity can be launched online so learners can get immediate feedback. Additional activities include downloadable PDFs that can be completed on the computer, research activities, and interactive skill instruction.

Employability Skills Resource Toolkit | <http://www.nc-net.info/employability.php>

From the North Carolina Network for Excellence in Teaching and developed based on employer input, the toolkit is a research-supported resource to integrate employability into curriculum. Each module contains instructional materials including activities, student handouts, assessment rubrics, and annotated presentation slides.

UpSkill My Life - A series of soft skills videos that are key to career success, all of which are transferable between industries, as well as personal life.

Web-based Text Library | <http://csal.gsu.edu/content/library>

From the Center for the Study of Adult Literacy, a set of 1,600 web-based readings organized into Easier, *Medium*, and Harder levels across numerous topics, including Jobs & Work.

Vocabulary

Quizlet | <https://quizlet.com/>

Website where study sets of content (often vocabulary oriented) are created, shared, and used by more than 30 million learners monthly. Study sets include a range of interactive activities, can be integrated into many LMS's, and can be downloaded and printed as flashcards.

Workplace Scenario Cards | https://www.realityworks.com/ftp_uploads/sample-cards-test.pdf Set of scenarios revolving around 19 essential workplace skills. Each card includes the scenario, followed by a description of points of view to consider and key questions for analyzing each scenario. Great for learning employability skills vocabulary in the context of realistic workplace scenarios.

Department of Labor Tools & Resources

MyNextMove | <https://www.mynextmove.org/>

From the Department of Labor Employment & Training Administration, MyNextMove is a set of tools that help jobseekers assess their skills, interests, and related job matches. Tools allow users to explore potential careers by keywords, by industry, and by job history through [My Skills, My Future](#).

Career One Stop Self-Assessments | <https://www.careeronestop.org/ExploreCareers/Assessments/self-assessments.aspx>

Set of assessments designed to help jobseekers understand how their interests, skills, and work values align to jobs. The [O*NET Interest Profiler](#) is an interest inventory of 60 work related questions to help learners find jobs that match their interests. The [Skills Matcher](#) helps learners self-identify their skill levels at various skills, which results in a downloadable skill ranking that can be used to compare skill rankings to the skills of any job. All tools are linked to O*NET, the DOL's occupational database.

Career OneStop Video Library | <https://www.careeronestop.org/Videos/video-library.aspx>

Extensive library of nearly 500 career-related videos from the ETA, many also in Spanish. Videos include [careers organized by career cluster](#), [newly emerging careers](#), and [skill and ability videos](#).

Professional Development Resources

OCTAE—Employability Skills Framework | <https://cte.ed.gov/initiatives/employability-skills-framework>
Framework of core employability skills from the US Department of Education guided by CTE, adult education, workforce development and business organizations, and twelve federal agencies. Site includes a [handout of the entire framework](#), as well as a link for downloadable checklists of the entire framework, including descriptions of each skill, in [PDF](#), Word, and Excel formats.

AIR & RTI International—Integrating Employability Skills | [Resource Link](#)
From the American Institutes for Research and RTI International, this professional learning module, *Integrating Employability Skills: A Framework for All Educators*, was developed collaboratively by the College and Career Readiness and Success Center (CCRS Center), the Center on Great Teachers and Leaders (GTL Center), and RTI International. Resources include downloadable PDFs of a [facilitator’s guide](#) and [participant handouts](#), as well as a PowerPoint presentation for facilitating the training course.

Additional Resources

Skills to Pay the Bills | <https://www.dol.gov/odep/topics/youth/softskills/>

Digital Literacy

Assessments

Northstar Digital Literacy Assessment | <https://www.digitalliteracyassessment.org/>
Digital Literacy Assessments for the basic skills needed to perform tasks on computers and online. Score reports breaks down skills that are mastered and those that need improvement. TCSG has an unlimited license with Northstar. Contact your supervisor to learn more and to access proctor training.

Curriculum / Content Sites

CrowdED Learning Digital Skills Library | <https://www.crowdedlearning.org/digitalskillslibrary> Skill-aligned content aggregated from multiple sites covering a range of skills in computer basics, internet, email, and word processing. Includes student, self-study resources, keyboarding and mousing activities, and instructor-led curriculum and assessments.

Google Applied Digital Skills | <https://applieddigitalskills.withgoogle.com/>
Free, online digital skills curriculum from Google that uses video- and project-based learning to teach adults critical digital skills for life and work.

WISC Online Basic Computer Skills MOOC | <https://www.wisc-online.com/courses/computerskills> Full computer basics course developed as part of a TAACCCT grant award. All modules are downloadable and can be imported onto a SCORM-compatible LMS. Includes course and lesson-level assessments.

DigitalLearn.org | <https://www.digitallearn.org/>
Set of e-modules developed by the Public Library Association. All lessons are downloadable as PDFs. Lessons cover skills such as computer basics, email, productivity software, job skills, and online safety.

GCF Learn Free Technology Basics | www.gcflearnfree.org/subjects/technology/
Set of interactive activities, videos, and readings that are all downloadable and printable. GCF Learn Free also includes content in a number of other subject areas.

Digital Literacy Training Toolkit | <https://www.tsl.texas.gov/ld/AEL/LandLtoolkit#email>

From the Texas State Library and Archives Commission, this toolkit contains seven digital literacy training modules including lesson plans, workbooks, activity worksheets, and resources. Lesson plans, presentation modules, and activities, all available in English, Spanish, and Vietnamese.

Digital Unite Technology Guides | <https://www.digitalunite.com/guides>

Set of over 400 regularly updated how-to guides for a range of digital topics.

Digital Literacy Standard Curriculum Version 4 - This free Microsoft curriculum includes: computer basics, the Internet and the World Wide Web, productivity programs, computer security and privacy, and "Digital Lifestyles". "Each course has an e-learning module and an assessment. You can also take the Certificate Test, which covers topics from all five courses. If you pass the Certificate Test, you can print out a personalized Digital Literacy Certificate. Digital Literacy version 2 teaches generic ICT skills and concepts, and features screenshots and simulations from Windows Vista and the 2007 Microsoft Office system to illustrate and provide hands-on examples for students. The original version of Digital Literacy uses screenshots and simulations from Windows XP Service Pack 2 and Microsoft Office 2003."

Excel Easy - Free tutorial on how to use Excel spreadsheet features that includes an Introduction to the website, Basics, Functions, Data Analysis and VBA (Visual Basic for Applications), the name of the programming language of Excel. Could be used as part of an Excel class or, for some, as a self- tutorial.

FutureEdge - A free assessment and instruction program that includes digital literacy and some work-related problem-solving skills.

Home and Learn - Beginner level computer courses and tutorials from a U.K. website.

Learn My Way (Make It Click) - An introduction to digital literacy skills for adult learners.

Learning Ladder (Computer Basics Module) For Early Childhood Educators, in childcare centers or home childcare settings who are new to using computers

- Part 1 [Using the Mouse](#)
- Part 2 [Using the Keyboard](#)
- Part 3 [Running Programs](#)
- Part 4 [Word Processing Basics](#)
- Part 5 [Using the Internet](#)

Rhode Island Tech Hub Digital Literacy Curriculum - Aligns with the Northstar Digital Literacy assessment (See above). The curriculum is designed for teachers to use as a guide in teaching digital literacy skills to adult learners. Each slide presentation is a lesson plan. Project the slides for group-paced instruction or share the links with students to use individually.

The Digital Homeroom - Basic level ESL Digital Literacy resources

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Keyboarding Skills Practice

Typing Club		www.typingclub.com/
GCF Learn Free Typing Tutorial		https://www.gcflearnfree.org/typing/typing/1/
Typing.com		https://www.typing.com/

Mouse Skills Practice

GCF Learn Free Mouse Tutorial		www.gcflearnfree.org/mousetutorial/mouse-tutorial/1/
Palm Beach Co. Library—Mousercise		http://www.pbclibrary.org/mousing/mousercise.htm
Drag-n-Drop.com		http://drag-n-drop.com/

Financial Literacy

Curriculum / Content Resources

Federal Trade Commission—Consumer.gov: What to Know and Do | <https://www.consumer.gov/>

Available both in English and Spanish, this FTC site is full of learning resources for money management, understanding credit and loans, and managing debt. The “Toolbox” includes lesson plans, videos, worksheets, and presentations, as well as free handouts that can be printed or shipped to you.

FTC—Consumer Information | <https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/>

Also from the FTC, this is a valuable “how-to” information source for a number of topics, including money and credit, making money, health and fitness, privacy, identity, and online security. Also includes a number of informational publications that can be [ordered in bulk](#) for free that cover a range of topics. Most materials are written in simple English and have Spanish language versions available.

FTC—On Guard Online | <https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/features/feature-0038-onguardonline> Set of resources that includes videos and games, tools for educators and parents, and articles and tips to help people educate themselves on protecting themselves online. Available in English and Spanish.

Consumer Financial Protection Bureau—Online Tools & Resources

<https://www.consumerfinance.gov/practitioner-resources/adult-financial-education/tools-and-resources/> Great set of interactive tools, resources, and handouts organized by topic and audience. There is also a link that allows you to [download a PDF](#) of all of the resources. This CFPB site also includes a link to access recordings of monthly [webinar trainings](#) on a financial education topic.

CFPB—Your Money, Your Goals | <https://www.consumerfinance.gov/practitioner-resources/your-money-your-goals/>

Toolkit that provides guidance on having money conversations with learners to help them work through challenges and achieve financial goals. Includes booklets that can be downloaded or ordered and shipped free of charge, companion guides with specific information relevant to working with populations with unique needs, and [online resources](#) consolidated by topic and target population.

National Endowment for Financial Education—Workshop Kits | <https://www.financialworkshopkits.org/>

Set of financial workshop kits designed to teach money management skills for a wide range of populations. Workshops include dealing with situations such as debt, low income, addition, and re-entry. Workshops include a presentation, script, activities, information sheets, FAQs, and more.

NEFE—Smart About Money | <https://www.smartaboutmoney.org/>

Also from NEFE, a comprehensive set of online financial education courses that allow learners to save their budgets while working through a number of topics.

Vocabulary

Learning Chocolate | <http://www.learningchocolate.com/>

Each set of words is practiced through a standard sequence of structured, interactive activities that include listening, speaking, comprehension, and spelling practice. Multiple content sets for Financial Literacy are included within the following categories:

[Banking Words](#)

[Financial Institutions](#)

[Opening an Bank Account](#)

[At the Bank 1](#)

[At the Bank 1a](#)

[At the Bank 2](#)

[At the Bank 3](#)

[At the Bank 4](#)

[At the Bank 5](#)

[Money](#)

[US Currency 1: Bills](#)

[US Currency 2: Coins](#)

[Verbs Related to Money](#)

[Monthly Budget](#)

[Money Management Verbs](#)

[Prices](#)

[Checks](#)

[Credit Card](#)

[EMV Cards](#)

[Money Matters 1](#)

[Money Matters 2](#)

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Interactive Financial Well-being Tools

All of these interactive tools, videos, and games can be used to help learners understand, manage, and plan for personal financial well-being.

Interactive Tools

CFPB | [Financial Well-being Assessment](#)

CFPB | [Spending Tracker](#)

FTC | [Make a Budget](#)

CFPB | [My New Money Goal](#)

Videos & Games

FTC Consumer.gov | [YouTube Playlist](#)

FTC Consumer Info | [Video & Media](#)

NextGen Personal Finance | [Video Library](#)

PBS | [Your Life, Your Money](#)

Health Literacy

Curriculum & Activity Resources

[Queens Library—Health Literacy for ESOL Learners](#) | [Beginner Level](#) | [Intermediate Level](#)

Set of teacher lesson plans with associated handouts and audio files designed for ESOL learners covering a range of topics including understanding common ailments and medication, strategies for healthy living, nutrition and wellness, going to and communicating with the doctor, and more.

Florida Literacy Coalition—Staying Healthy | http://floridaliteracy.org/health_literacy_curriculum.html
Includes two downloadable curricula designed for English Learners—*Staying Healthy for Beginners*, and *Staying Healthy: An English Learners Guide to Health Care and Healthy Living*. Both curricula help learners understand the basics of health care, including what happens at doctor visits, understanding medication, nutrition, and strategies for staying healthy. *Staying Healthy for Beginners* is particularly ESL/language focused, with each chapter organized into picture stories, dialogues, and vocabulary to provide reading, writing, speaking, and listening practice within the context of health literacy. Both curricula include pre- and post-assessments, as well as a teacher’s guide.

UMass-Amherst—NIBBLE | <http://www.umass.edu/nibble/index.html>
From the University of Massachusetts, the Nutrition Information Bulletin Board & Learning Experience contains numerous resources written for adult basic education students. Resources include nutritional information directories, health quizzes, diet assessments, and links to additional health resource sites.

CAELA—Picture Stories for Adult ESOL Health Literacy | http://www.cal.org/caela/esl_resources/Health/
Picture stories with teacher facilitation that raise health awareness and develop skills for ESOL and low-literacy learners. Facilitation includes health scenario images, an overview of the health literacy topics covered, background information on the story, information for pre-teaching vocabulary, and questions/prompts to support story walkthroughs.

MedLine Plus | <https://medlineplus.gov/>
From the US National Library of Medicine, comprehensive library of content around a wide range of health topics, all designed to be delivered in language that is easy to understand. Includes an expansive [medical terminology tutorial](#), a [medical encyclopedia](#), tutorials for [finding and evaluating health information on the web](#), and [videos on numerous health topics](#)

National Institute of Child Health & Human Development | <https://lincs.ed.gov/health/health>
Comprehensive set of downloadable, research-based health literacy materials designed to support evidence-based reading instruction.

Vocabulary

Learning Chocolate | <http://www.learningchocolate.com/>
Great for ESL students, a range of simple, user-friendly activities that use pictures, sounds, and games to help students learn basic English vocabulary. Each set of words is practiced through a standard sequence of structured, interactive activities that include listening, speaking, comprehension, and spelling practice. Content sets for health literacy include:

[Body Parts: Head & Face](#)

[Body Parts: Midsection & Arms](#)

[Body Parts: Legs](#)

[Parts of the Body](#)

[First Aid Kit](#)

[First Aid Problems](#)

[First Aid for Cuts](#)

[At the Clinic](#)

[Basic Pains](#)

[Everyday Aches & Pains](#)

[Common Health Problems 1](#)

[Common Health Problems 2](#)

[Dental Health](#)

[Medical Symptoms](#)

[Medical Equipment](#)

[Medical Supplies](#)

[Medical Jobs](#)

[Medicine](#)

[Prescription Labels](#)

[Types of Medication](#)

[Wash Your Hands](#)

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Contextualized Readings

Reading Skills for Today's Adults |

http://resources.marshalladulthoodeducation.org/reading_skills_home.htm Set of over 300 texts from Marshall Adult Education (MN), including over 70 health-related. Each text includes three audio recordings of the reading at increasing speeds, helping learners develop their fluency skills, followed by a printable worksheet that helps learners develop their comprehension skills.

Adult Learning Activities | <http://www.cdiponline.org/index.cfm?fuseaction=homepage>

Set of texts from the California Distance Learning Project designed to help adult learners develop both their literacy and life skills, including over 70 health- and safety-related texts. Each text includes audio recordings and interactive activities to develop reading skills.

CSAL—Web-based Text Library | <http://csal.gsu.edu/content/library>

From the Center for the Study of Adult Literacy, a set of 1,600 web-based articles organized into *Easier*, *Medium*, and *Harder* levels across numerous topics. Health related topics include general health, food and nutrition, parenting, and health and wellness content related to babies, children, and teens.

Information Literacy

Interactive Resources and Games

[Newsfeed Defenders](https://www.icivics.org/games/newsfeed-defenders) | <https://www.icivics.org/games/newsfeed-defenders>

Newsfeed Defenders is one of a series of games from iCivics designed to support civic education. In this fast-paced game, players must weed out inaccurate content from a social media newsfeed—including ads, viral deception, and false reporting—gaining more privileges (and site traffic) as they do so.

[Factitious](http://factitious.augamestudio.com/#/) | <http://factitious.augamestudio.com/#/>

Easy-to-play game with multiple levels, players simply read actual news stories and swipe right or left depending on whether they believe the article is real or fake. Each story provides the source of the article. Upon swiping, players are provided with details that should be used to identify the legitimacy of the story, such as inflated claims, lack of editing, or the validity of the news source.

[Get Bad News](https://getbadnews.com/#intro) | <https://getbadnews.com/#intro>

Entertaining, easy-to-play game designed to help learners understand how fake news works. Players are prompted to be “bad actors” with a goal to increase their number of social media followers by way of circulating sensational content. As players make decisions and watch their number of followers grow, they are provided feedback as to why different types of posts have varying degrees of impact.

Assessments and Curriculum

[Disinformation Nation](https://www.disinformation-nation.org/) | <https://www.disinformation-nation.org/>

From [Newseum](#), this short quiz asks students to identify personal preferences. Students then are profiled and presented with their areas of strength and weakness when it comes to propaganda. They then are led through a series of real-live examples of media to demonstrate these characteristics.

[Northstar Digital Literacy Assessment](https://www.digitalliteracyassessment.org/) | <https://www.digitalliteracyassessment.org/>

Digital Literacy Assessments for the basic skills needed to perform tasks on computers and online. The score report upon completion breaks down skills that are mastered and those that need improvement. TCSG has an unlimited license with Northstar. Contact your supervisor to learn more and to access proctor training. [Objectives for the Information Literacy assessment](#) include locating the source and determining the quality of information.

Civic Online Reasoning | <https://cor.stanford.edu/>

From Stanford History Education Group, free lessons and assessments that help you teach students to evaluate online information that affects them, their communities, and the world. Digital assessments are completed through Google Forms and include web articles, Tweets, Facebook posts, and other media students encounter on a regular basis.

News Sites/Reading and Language Practice

Newsela | <https://newsela.com/>

Online reading platform that began specifically with news articles that can be Lexile to different reading levels to allow for differentiation. Newsela still includes regularly updated news stories in a wide range of areas and have added primary sources, as well as text sets that include articles, primary sources, and more all revolving around a central question. The platform includes assessments and comprehensive reporting, making it a popular reading platform.

Voices of America Learning English | <https://learningenglish.voanews.com/>

Long running international news site that includes resources and lessons to help learners learn English. Contains news articles and lessons organized into Beginning, Intermediate, and Advanced levels, as well as hundreds of instructional videos on language and grammar. At the advanced level is [a series of 6 video based news literacy lessons](#). The site also includes [“News Words,” a weekly video series](#) that teaches a new word used in relation to current events, with hundreds of videos archived. [CrowdED Learning has compiled all of VOA’s News Words here](#). (Updated May 23, 2019).

ProCon.org | <https://www.procon.org/>

Set of 80 content sets that deal with present-day, often controversial issues frequently covered in the news. Each topic presents the "Pro" and "Con" sides of issues so learners can develop informed opinions based on looking at unbiased information and evidence from multiple perspectives.

Instructional Resource Libraries

GCFLearnFree.org | <https://edu.gcfglobal.org/en/>

Online learning platform that provides self-directed learning for a wide range of topics, in particular digital skills. One of the tutorials includes a number text and video based lessons on [Digital Media Literacy](#), for which they have a corresponding [Digital Media Literacy video playlist](#) on YouTube.

Federal Trade Commission: Consumer Information | <https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/media>

Expansive library of resources to help people in a wide range of personal consumer areas, in particular how to recognize scams. Their video and media library includes extensive videos related to topics such as computer security, payday lending, fraudulent telemarketing, phishing, identity protection, and more. [FTC also offers a number of publications](#) that are completely free to ship or print.

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