

# Resources for EAL Learners During School Closures

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*Below is a crowd-sourced compendium of resources that can be used with EAL learners at home with their parents or independently during the school shutdown. I have tried to arrange these thematically, but have not been able to verify every site in detail so there may be some inconsistency. It's not a pretty list, but I hope it will provide some avenues worth pursuing.*

*Thank you to the very many members of NALDIC who have contributed to this list - as ever in times of crisis and uncertainty, community strength is all important. We want the NALDIC/EAL community to provide support and succour during these highly unusual times. Please do keep using [the NALDIC forum](#) to stay in touch with each other and to share ideas for supporting our most vulnerable children.*

*If you have suggestions for inclusion on this compendium, please email me at [h.chalmers@naldic.org.uk](mailto:h.chalmers@naldic.org.uk). This is an evolving list and I welcome additional resources.*

*Thank you. Stay safe and stay strong.*

*Hamish*

*Editor EALJournal.org*

## RESOURCES LIST

### Websites - Interactive

<https://www.brainpop.com/> - Sign in for free access due to Covid-19 [BrainPOP Jr.](#) and [BrainPOP ELL](#) also great!

[www.eslflow.com](http://www.eslflow.com) - KS2

[www.agendaweb.org](http://www.agendaweb.org) - loads of options for young and old

<http://learnenglishkids.britishcouncil.org/en/>

<https://www.twinkl.co.uk/search> -

<http://www.primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk/>

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

<http://learnenglishkids.britishcouncil.org/en/>

<https://www.gamestolearnenglish.com/>

<http://www.funenglishgames.com/> - lot of variety, good for lots of things

<https://global.cbeebies.com/>

[http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/websites/4\\_11/site/literacy.shtml](http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/websites/4_11/site/literacy.shtml) - archived but has good resources

<http://www.esltower.com/index.html> -limited offer

<http://eslkidsworld.com/> - older

<http://kidseslgames.com/printables.html>

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

<https://www.abcya.com/>

<https://pbskids.org/> - Videos and games

## **Online Books**

150 online books in 30 different languages [www.worldstories.org.uk](http://www.worldstories.org.uk)

<https://classroommagazines.scholastic.com/support/learnathome/grades-1-2.html>

<https://bookflix.digital.scholastic.com/home?authCtx=U.794217314>

<https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/>

<http://www.twinkl.co.uk/><https://www.twinkl.co.uk/search?term=ebook>

<https://www.getepic.com/>

<http://www.readingteacher.com/> - free login due to Covid-19

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

<https://bilingualkidspot.com/2019/02/19/free-online-books-for-kids/> - a list of online books

<https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/for-home/library-page>

<http://en.childrenslibrary.org/> - The International Childrens Digital Library

<https://www.storylineonline.net/library/> - Stories read by authors

<https://www.childrensbooksonline.org/library-translations.htm> - Books in Multiple languages

<http://www.storymuseum.org.uk/1001stories/>

<https://www.mamalisa.com/?t=el> -Songs and rhymes from around the world

<https://www.funbrain.com/books>

<https://www.storynory.com/> - Audio stories with script. KS2

<https://pbskids.org/games/reading/> - reading games

<https://www.readingiq.com/web/learning/#/home> - levelled books online (US).

## Worksheets, General resources for Teachers and Parents

<http://mes-english.com/>

Glasgow EAL Services has put together a selection of resources [here](#)

<http://www.collaborativelearning.org/activities.html> - General classroom activities adapted for EAL learners

<https://www.mysalahmat.com/pages/free-downloads-1>

<https://bogglesworldesl.com/>

<https://www.ealhub.co.uk/> - resources for teachers

<https://en.islcollective.com/>

<https://busyteacher.org/>

<http://www.tes.co.uk/primary-teaching-resources/>

<https://www.anglomaniacy.pl/>

<https://esl-kids.com/index.html>

<http://www.primaryresources.co.uk/>

[www.eslprintables.com](http://www.eslprintables.com)

[www.englishexercises.com](http://www.englishexercises.com)

<http://www.newsinlevels.com/> - current news articles. More for older children.

<http://www.readwritethink.org/> -

<https://www.ageoflearning.com/schools> - this will be free to schools outside the US soon

## General Literacy skills

<https://literacytrust.org.uk/family-zone/>

Gill Education have made their **Over the Moon** Literacy books/workbooks with ebooks available to the public for free for these age groups - Junior Infants (Reception), Senior Infants, First Class and Second Class (Year3). Search here for Over the Moon.

<https://www.gillexplore.ie/products?Type=1&SubjectList=0&LevelList=0&fbclid=IwAR1NUWmjfo8hicnFaPvhwMUHNcUIfyX5PUOuRD-XoTYbSQKe9v1NfH1YD3o>

## Graphic Organisers

<https://freeology.com/graphicorgs/>

<http://www.educationoasis.com/printables/graphic-organizers/>

<https://www.eduplace.com/graphicorganizer/>

## **Youtube**

[Wow English TV](#)

[Espresso Education](#)

[Children's songs in a variety of different languages \(Babel Babies\)](#)

[Urdu Fairytales](#)

## **Book Making**

<https://bookcreator.com/2020/03/support-for-schools-affected-by-coronavirus/>

## **Advice about Coronavirus in many languages**

[Doctors of the World](#) (Albanian, Amharic, Arabic, Bengali, Dari, English, Farsi, French, Hindi, Kurdish, Malayam, Mandarin, Pashto, Portuguese, Somali, Spanish, Tigrinya, Turkish, Urdu, Vietnamese)

Coronavirus [explained in Somali](#)

[Big Leaf Foundation](#) (Pashto, Arabic, Kurmanji, Sorani)

Coronavirus info in [Farsi](#), [Pashto](#), and [English](#).