

# INTERNET CONNECTIONS

## Resources for School, Home, and Extended Learning

## **ONLINE RESOURCES FOR PARENTS, TEACHERS, AND EXTENDED LEARNING PROGRAMS**

### **Literacy**

#### **A Parent's Guide to Helping Your Child Learn to Read**

*This guide was prepared by the National Education Association (NEA).*  
<http://www.nea.org/parents/solutionsguide.html>

#### **Examples of online literacy resources recommended by IRA and NCTE**

##### **25 Activities for Reading and Writing Fun (Reading Rockets Web Site)**

<http://www.ncte.org/parents/links/112926.htm>

##### **A New Guide for Parents (National Urban League Web Site)**

<http://www.ncte.org/parents/links/112927.htm>

##### **Between the Lions**

<http://pbskids.org/lions/index.html>

##### **Book Adventure**

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

##### **Carol Hurst's Children's Literature Site**

<http://www.carolhurst.com/index.html>

##### **The Children's Book Council (CBC)**

<http://www.cbcbooks.org>

##### **Enlighten Me**

<http://www.enlightenme.com/enlightenme/pta/>

##### **International Children's Digital Library (ICDL)**

<http://www.icdlbooks.org>

##### **Library in the Sky**

<http://www.nwrel.org/sky/index.php>

##### **Literature Resources**

<http://www.about-arts.com/>

A directory of literature-related websites and discussion groups.

##### **Merriam-Webster Online: The Language Center**

<http://www.m-w.com/>

##### **The Miss Rumphius Award**

[http://www.reading.org/resources/community/links\\_rumphius\\_info.html](http://www.reading.org/resources/community/links_rumphius_info.html)

##### **Read Across America**

<http://www.nea.org/readacross/>

**Reading Is Fundamental (RIF)**

<http://www.rif.org/>  
them or their families.

**Reading Rockets**

<http://www.readingrockets.org>

**Reading Tips for Spanish-Speaking Parents**

<http://www.colorincolorado.org/>

**RIF Reading Planet**

<http://www.rifreadingplanet.org/rif/>

**Spaghetti Book Club**

<http://www.spaghetlibookclub.com>

**Talking Over Books**

<http://www.edb.utexas.edu/resources/talking/index.html>

**Word Central**

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

**Working Together for Literacy**

<http://www.ncte.org/parents/links/113371.htm>

**Young Authors' Workshop**

<http://www.planet.eon.net/%7Ebplaroach/Teacher.html>

**YourKidsLibrary.com**

<http://yourkidslibrary.com/index.htm>

With the goal of reviewing every Newberry medalist and honor book back to 1922, David Ross of the *Press-Telegram* offers over 400 synopses (so far). The reviews include curricular ties and reading levels as well as anecdotal comments.

**Online literacy resources compiled by Literacy Matters**

<http://www.literacymatters.org>

**Misunderstood Minds: Reading**

<http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/misunderstoodminds/readingstrats.html>

**Tips to Encourage Reading for Parents—American Library Association**

<http://www.peel.edu.on.ca/parents/tips/documents/tip-literacysec.pdf>

**Guided Reading Opportunities in Good Literature**

<http://www.carolhurst.com/profsubjects/reading/guided.html>

**KidBibs Learning Tips**

<http://www.kidbibs.com/learningtips.htm>

**Study Skills: Reading**

<http://school.familyeducation.com/back-to-school/computers/33596.html?relinks>

**Online Book Discussions**

<http://www.literacymatters.org/adlit/response/discussion.htm> - book

**The following links were compiled by the International Reading Association**

[http://www.reading.org/resources/community/links\\_edu\\_tp.html](http://www.reading.org/resources/community/links_edu_tp.html)

**Blue Web'n**

<http://www.kn.pacbell.com/wired/bluewebn/index.cfm>

**The Comic Book Project**

<http://www.comicbookproject.org/>

**Federal Resources for Educational Excellence (FREE)**

<http://free.ed.gov/>

**FunBrain.com**

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

**KidsHub.org**

<http://quizhub.com/quiz/quizhub.cfm>

**NASAexplores**

<http://nasaexplores.com/index.php>

**U.S. Department of Education**

<http://www.ed.gov/index.jhtml>

## Math

### Activity Search

<http://www.pbs.org/parents/fungames/>

### Bookfinder

<http://www.pbs.org/parents/bookfinder/>

### Helping your child learn mathematics with activities for children in preschool through age 5

<http://www.ed.gov/parents/academic/help/math/index.html>

### King's list of online math activities

<http://www.k111.k12.il.us/king/math.htm>

### At home with math: ten math activities for parents and kids

<http://athomewithmath.terc.edu/>

### Numbertime

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/numbertime/index.shtml>

### Helping your child learn math

<http://www.ed.gov/pubs/parents/Math/index.html>

### mathSURF

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

### PlaneMath

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

### Discoveryschool.com

<http://school.discovery.com/>

### Math central: an Internet service for mathematics teachers and students from kindergarten to

### PrimaryMath: paperless arithmetic learning for school and home

<http://www.primarymath.org/>

### Early childhood: where learning begins. Mathematics: mathematical activities for parents and their 2 to 5-year-old children

<http://www.ed.gov/pubs/EarlyMath/>

### Geometry and measurement. Grades 6-8

<http://www2.edc.org/mathpartners/pdfs/6-8 Geometry and Measurement.pdf>

### Geometry and measurement. Grades K-2

<http://www2.edc.org/mathpartners/pdfs/K-2 Geometry and Measurement.pdf>

### Geometry and measurement. Grades 3-5

<http://www2.edc.org/mathpartners/pdfs/3-5 Geometry and Measurement.pdf>

**When should we leave?**

[http://athomewithmath.terc.edu/english\\_PDF/math\\_ENG\\_sect6.pdf](http://athomewithmath.terc.edu/english_PDF/math_ENG_sect6.pdf)

**Taking turns**

[http://athomewithmath.terc.edu/english\\_PDF/math\\_ENG\\_sect4.pdf](http://athomewithmath.terc.edu/english_PDF/math_ENG_sect4.pdf)

**Problems with a point**

<http://www2.edc.org/mathproblems/default.asp>

**Native American geometry**

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

**Which holds the most?**

[http://athomewithmath.terc.edu/english\\_PDF/math\\_ENG\\_sect9.pdf](http://athomewithmath.terc.edu/english_PDF/math_ENG_sect9.pdf)

**Getsmarter.org**

<http://www.getsmarter.org/index.cfm>

## **Bilingual**

### **The following reading resources were prepared by PBS**

<http://www.pbs.org/parents/readinglanguage/articles/multifamilies/resources.html>

#### **Two or More Languages in Early Childhood: Some General Points and Practical Recommendations**

(<http://www.cal.org/resources/Digest/earlychild.html>)

This ERIC Digest discusses how learning two languages affects children's reading ability and provides recommendations for raising bilingual children. This article is available online.

#### **Center for Applied Linguistics**

(<http://www.cal.org/>)

This non-profit organization's FIRST STEPS program offers a range of information and materials for parents related to second language learning.

#### **National Clearinghouse for English Language Acquisition and Language Instruction Educational Programs**

(<http://www.ncele.gwu.edu/>)

This national organization offers helpful language and education links for bilingual parents, including Web sites, print materials, and parent networks.

**The following reading websites are only in Spanish, they were provided by the American Library Association**

<http://www.ala.org/gwstemplate.cfm?section=greatwebsites&template=/cfapps/gws/displaysection.cfm&sec=20>

**Mundo Latino: Rinconcito.**

<http://www.mundolatino.org/rinconcito/>

Colorear, cuentos, hablar y Galería de los chiquititos.

**Vistas del Sistema Solar.**

<http://www.solarviews.com/span/homepage.htm>

Vistas del Sistema Solar ha sido creado como una gira educativa por el sistema solar. Contiene imágenes e información acerca del Sol, planetas, lunas, asteroides, cometas, y meteoroides encontrados en el sistema solar.

**The following literacy resources were compiled by the Colorin Colorado website.**

<http://www.colorincolorado.org/resources/>

**For parents**

**Latino Families: Getting Involved in Your Children's Education**

<http://www.ed.gov/offices/OERI/ECL/digests/99april.html>

**You and Your Child's School**

<http://www.4children.org/news/1100sche.htm>

**Starting Kindergarten? Help Make It a Good Experience!**

<http://www.illinoisearlylearning.org/tipsheets/startingkinder.htm>

**Helping Your Child**

<http://www.ed.gov/parents/academic/help/hyc.html>

**Articles in Spanish from the U.S. Department of Education**

<http://www.ed.gov/espanol/publicaciones/es/edpubs.html>

**Brochures for Parents from Project FLAME**

<http://www.ncela.gwu.edu/pubs/flame/>

**LD OnLine Information in Spanish**

<http://www.ldonline.org/spanish/index.html>

**National Information Center for Children and Youth with Disabilities**

<http://www.nichcy.org/index.html>

**If Your Child Learns in Two Languages (PDF file)**

<http://www.ncela.gwu.edu/pubs/parent/english.pdf>

## **For educators**

**Reading Rockets**

<http://www.readingrockets.org/>

A comprehensive Web site that's updated daily with news, information, and resources about reading for parents and educators. Reading Rockets is the creator of the Colorín Colorado site.

**Tell Me a Story: Bilingual Library Programs for Children and Families**

<http://www.tsl.state.tx.us/ld/pubs/bilingual/index.html>

**School-Home Reading Kit**

<http://www.ed.gov/pubs/CompactforReading/tablek.html>

This site has handouts, in both Spanish and English, to send home to parents. Use the drop-down menus to choose a reading skill and then a handout.

**NCELA Resources About**

<http://www.ncela.gwu.edu/resabout/index.html>

This site provides links to hundreds of articles and publications on educating linguistically and culturally diverse students.

**Schools That Welcome Parents**

<http://www.4children.org/news/101sche.htm>

**Guidelines for Reading Tutoring Sessions: English Language Learners**

<http://www.nwrel.org/learns/resources/ell/index.html>

**Reading and English Language Learners**

<http://www.readingrockets.org/article/342>

Recommendations for instruction of English language learners within each of the Reading First components.

**Help! They Don't Speak English Starter Kit for Primary Teachers**

<http://escort.org/?q=node/153>

**U.S. Public Library Websites with Information in Spanish**

<http://www.reforma.org/spanishwebsites.htm>

**Staff Library Guide to Assist the Spanish-Speaking Patron**

<http://www.sol-plus.net/plus/survspa/intro.htm>

**ERIC Clearinghouse on Elementary and Early Childhood Education,  
Spanish Digests**

<http://ceep.crc.uiuc.edu/eecearchive/digests/spanish.html>

**A Research Symposium on High Standards in Reading for Students from  
Diverse Language Groups: Research, Practice, and Policy**

<http://www.ncela.gwu.edu/pubs/symposia/reading/index.htm>

**El día de los niños: Children's Day/Book Day**

<http://www.colorincolorado.org/day.html>

**The following math links were compiled by The Math Forum**

<http://mathforum.org/teachers/spanish/>

**El Paraíso de las Matemáticas**

<http://www.matematicas.net/>

Apuntes, ejercicios, exámenes, enlaces, diccionario, etc.

**Juegos de ingenio / Problems and Puzzles**

<http://mathforum.org/teachers/spanish/problems.html>

Brainteasers, games, and competitions.

**Lecciones y actividades / Lessons and activities**

<http://mathforum.org/teachers/spanish/lessons.html>

Lesson plans and other classroom materials.

**Olimpiadas Matemáticas**

<http://mathforum.org/teachers/spanish/olimpiadas.html>

Annual international math competitions.

**Articles and Publications**

<http://mathforum.org/teachers/spanish/pubs.html>

Includes Spanish-language math newsletters.

**Organization of Ibero-American States for Education, Science, and Culture**

Organización de Estados Iberoamericanos para la Educación, la Ciencia y la Cultura.

**At Home with Math/Diez Actividades Cotidianas para Padres y Ninos - TERC, Inc, and Ceridian Corporation**

<http://athomewithmath.terc.edu/>

Ten activities designed to engage children in arithmetic, estimation, measurement, problem-solving, and other important math skills in the context of ordinary life at home. These activities are designed for children ages 5-11 and their parents.

**Bilingual Mathematics Dictionary / Diccionario Bilingüe de Matemáticas - Norman Koch and Denise Meeks**

<http://nw.pima.edu/dmeeks/spandict/>

An alphabetical list of terms in English with their corresponding Spanish translations, from abacus (el ábaco) to zone (la zona). The purpose of this glossary of math terms is to make readily available in one convenient document a list of terms.

**Connecting Math to Our Lives**

<http://equity4.clmer.csulb.edu/netshare/gdeklerk/ConnectingMATHto/>

A bilingual English-Spanish collaboration among an international group of classes. Students correspond with each other and create a series of projects investigating the uses of math in their lives and analyzing social issues in the world around them.

**The following websites were compiled by The Eisenhower National Clearinghouse for Mathematics and Science Education (ENC)**

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

**Let's count : a fun, colorful set of counting activities**

<http://math.rice.edu/~lanius/counting/>

Take your youngest students to this site for counting practice in both English and Spanish. The site uses symbols and names of numbers in several simple activities where students answer questions such as How many, What comes next, and Which is more? Sets of objects including cars and robots are used for counting and simple addition. Students can think or say their answer and check their thinking with a pull-down menu.

**InTime : integrating new technologies into the methods of education**

<http://www.intime.uni.edu/>

This Internet site offers a collection of online video vignettes that demonstrate how preK-12 teachers are integrating technology into their classroom lessons. Videos span all grade levels and subject areas and are

**Figure this: math challenges for families**

<http://www.figurethis.org/espanol.htm>

Helping families enjoy mathematics outside school through a series of fun and engaging, high-quality challenges website launched by the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics.