

Teaching YL Teachers

A guide to British Council Resources



Our experience

The British Council is a leading authority in the field of ELT.

We support Ministries of Education in several countries in ELT reform and innovation.

We teach English to young learners and adults all over the world in our Teaching Centres.



How the British Council can help you:

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<http://www.teachingenglish.org.uk/index.shtml>

For free resources:

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For online support:

<http://www.britishcouncil.org/languageassistant/>





'Possibly one of the biggest advantages of doing an ELTeCS project is that it opens up the world for its participants. ...They may realise that others have similar interests, similar difficulties and similar joys in teaching.' **Tamas Kiss, Lecturer and ELTeCS Projects Committee Co-ordinator.** Find out more about ELTeCS.

FIND OUT MORE

TEACH ENGLISH

If you are new to English language teaching, or if you are taking the next steps in your career and development, these pages provide essential information. We can support your work through various networks and forums plus online resources - including downloadable materials and lesson plans. Our jobs and qualifications pages contain latest vacancies, advice and useful links.

In 2004-05
we taught English
to 306,000 students
in 53 countries

NETWORKING AND TRAINING

We support a range of online and face-to-face networking opportunities, from the [SearchEnglish](#) web forum to [seminars](#) and [Hornby Regional Schools](#), and the [English Language Teaching Contacts Scheme](#) (ELTeCS).



RESOURCES

From downloadable activities and lesson plans in the [Teaching English](#) website, to practical tips and advice in [Language Assistant](#), to resources in [Learn English](#) and research in [SearchEnglish](#), you have an inexhaustible supply of ideas.



ENGLISH LANGUAGE TEACHING JOBS

Find out about our [vacancies for teachers and managers](#) as they arise, the opportunity for [ELT-qualified development specialists](#) to register in our database, and information for [Language Assistants](#) and about [getting qualified](#).



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Think: Latest article

Making reading communicative

"The aim of this article is to consider approaches to making classroom reading more communicative."

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Try: Latest activity

A business letter

"Learners attempt to re-write an inappropriately informal business letter in a more appropriate style."

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Latest feature:

This kit focuses on the work of the popular children's author Melvin Burgess.

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Talk: Latest questions



Technology lessons

My boss asked me to prepare the lesson plan for the course. I am very nervous what to start first?

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English Next

This book examines the future of English under the influence of globalisation.

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The teaching knowledge database

Comprises a definition, an example and information about how this concept can be implemented.

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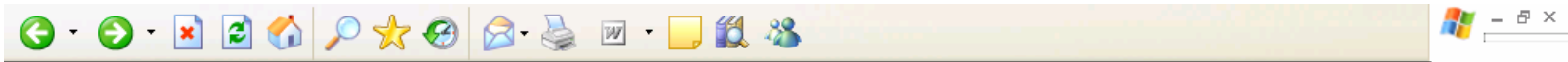
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Practise Your English

sea animals

sports

Are you a kid learning English? Then this is the place for you! Find games, songs, stories and activities about all sorts of topics. And learn English!

OPINION POLL

What are you?

- I'm a child and I'm learning English
- I'm an adult and I'm learning English
- I teach English to children
- I'm a parent of a child who is learning English
- I'm none of these

SUBMIT

KID SMART

Do you know how to be safe online? Have a look at Kid Smart and find out the rules for surfing, chat,

THE PLAYGROUND



PAINT IT

What colour is the swing? What colour is the slide? **Paint the picture of the playground**

PO

Would you like to play in the playground? **Write a poem about the playground**

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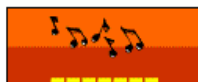
GAMES

Play and learn about the playground, play games **just for fun** and find some great **games for little kids**



PRINT AND DO

Print activities about the playground, and find factsheets and flashcards to print. Lots of activities to **print and do!**



SONGS

"Playing in the playground, having lots of fun" **Listen to a song about the playground.**



STORIES

Katie and Jaia are having lots of fun on the playground. Jessie wants to play too but he can't - he's a dog. **Read the story.**



GET WRITING

Send ecards to your friends, write a story, make a poem, or send us a review of a book or a film. **Get writing**



TOPICS

Find out more about the playground and other topics.





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PARENTS AND TEACHERS



USING LEARNENGLISH KIDS WITH YOUR CHILD OR LEARNERS

LearnEnglish Kids is a free site brought to you by the British Council. It is for children who are learning English as a second or foreign language.

What's new?

A new topic is featured on LearnEnglish Kids each month. At the moment the featured topic is the **playground**. Your child or learners can practise this topic with **downloadable worksheets** and online **games**. Children can paint a picture of a playground with a new **game**. Learners can listen to a **song** about the playground, and read a **story** about Jessie, a dog who wants to play on the playground with his friends.

Find **flashcards** of playground equipment, plus tips on using flashcards.

How can you use these materials with your child or learners? **Download and print some tips for using the playground activities on LearnEnglish Kids (191KB)**

Download and print some English skipping games and chants (141KB)

Future topics

Topics to come in the next few months on LearnEnglish Kids are **food, family and friends** and **bugs**.

How can I use materials on LearnEnglish Kids?

There are lots of activities for young learners on LearnEnglish Kids.



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POETRY COMPETITION

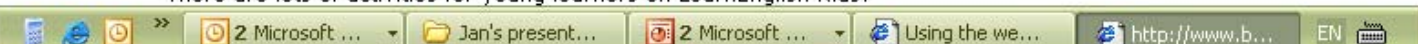
Find details of a poetry competition for young learners. The best poems about the topic 'Me and my life' will be published on LearnEnglish Kids.

Would you like some ideas for how to encourage your child or learners to write a poem about this topic?

Download and print some tips (278KB)

Would you like to see some examples of some poems? **Download and print examples (219KB)**

COMPETITION



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Language Assistant

The screenshot shows a web browser window displaying the British Council Language Assistant website. The browser's address bar and navigation icons are visible at the top. The website header features the British Council logo and a navigation menu with links for Teaching tips, Primary tips, Essential UK, Games, Weblinks, Archive, and About us. A search bar is located in the top right corner. The main content area is divided into several sections:

- WHAT'S NEW:** Find all our newest British Council materials for teachers [here](#).
- COMING SOON:** Try these materials for upcoming special events. [Christmas](#) and [Christmas](#) with primary students.
- TEACHING TIPS:** Advice on a range of subjects including how to manage the class and how best to exploit materials. Latest tip [How to exploit Essential UK](#).
- PRIMARY TIPS:** Advice and teaching materials for use with primary age learners. Latest tip: [Good manners](#).
- ESSENTIAL UK:** Classroom materials and lesson plans for you to print up for use with your learners. Latest theme [Cycling](#).
- GAMES:** Language learning games and activities for you to use with your students. You can also send in your own favourite games for us to publish on the site. See the latest game: [Mastermind](#).
- WEBLINKS:** Links to useful websites that you can use to help with your teaching. See the [latest weblink](#) or visit [the archive](#).
- TEACHING MANUAL:** Download the individual units or the complete Language Assistant teaching manual. It's packed with tips and hints on various aspects of teaching.

On the left side of the main content area, there is a large image of a teacher interacting with two young students. Below the image, the text reads: "LanguageAssistant THE PLACE TO FIND UP TO DATE TIPS, SUGGESTIONS AND TEACHING MATERIALS FOR THE ELT CLASSROOM." Below this image are three informational links:

- THE TEACHING ENGLISH WEBSITE:** Find more lesson plans and materials on the BBC | British Council teaching English website.
- BECOMING A LANGUAGE ASSISTANT:** Find out more about how to become a language assistant, where you can go and what is involved.
- BRITISH COUNCIL FOR TEACHERS:** Find out more about the range of support that we offer teachers of English and get more information about working for us.

There's lots more
information for
teachers in Italy on
the website!
www.britishcouncil.it

