

10 WEBSITES for ESL STUDENTS, PARENTS and TEACHERS

1. <http://www.manythings.org/>

Interesting Things for ESL Students is a free website that includes activities to help ESL students improve vocabulary, grammar, sentence structure, pronunciation, spelling, and listening skills. There are quizzes, word games, word puzzles, proverbs, slang expressions, anagrams, a random-sentence generator and other computer assisted language learning activities.

2. <http://www.eslpartyland.com/>

ESL PartyLand describes itself as the “Fun Place to Learn English as a Second Language”. This free site features relevant topical lessons, quizzes, and games providing opportunities to use English in different settings, reinforce new concepts, and expose students to new vocabulary. For teachers, the site offers materials and teaching ideas for every type of classroom and learner. Learn how to teach ESL through music, film, video, and the Internet and find materials and lesson plans to use when teaching conversation, grammar, listening, and speaking skills.

3. <http://starfall.com>

Starfall is a web site that opened in 2002 as a free public service to teach children to read with a systematic phonics approach. In conjunction with phonemic awareness practice, it is perfect for preschool, kindergarten, first grade, second grade, special education, home-school, and English as a Second Language development. The website is user friendly and contains easy to follow instructions.

4. <http://www.mes-games.com/>

MES Games features free English grammar games, question and answer activities, and other online tools to learn English vocabulary and spelling, and practice speaking, reading and writing. There are links to phonics worksheets, videos, printable flashcards, stickers, and certificates.

5. <http://www.esl-kids.com/>

ESL-Kids is a great resource for free worksheets, games and songs for ESL students and teachers. A wide variety of printable ESL flashcards are available and organized into useful categories. The ESL-Kids worksheet generator can be used to create customized worksheets and printables. The site also features links to other useful ESL sites and resources.

6. <http://a4esl.org/>

Activities for ESL Students is a project of The Internet TESL Journal (iteslj.org) containing thousands of contributions by many teachers. The website includes quizzes, tests, exercises and crossword puzzles to help students learn English as a Second Language.

7. <http://englishinteractive.net/>
English Interactive lets children and beginning ESL students click on words to hear their pronunciation and build essential vocabulary skills. After viewing the words, students can try an interactive quiz. There are vocabulary worksheets for intermediate ESL students and a list of links to more “webexercises” for English vocabulary practice.
8. <http://www.esl-lab.com/>
ESL Cyber Listening Lab Direct your middle and high school students to this ESL cyber listening lab with study guides, quizzes, and even teacher features.
9. <http://www.vocabulix.com/>
Vocabulix This online tool is designed to help jumpstart students’ vocabulary skills, with more than 90 vocabulary lessons, and the option to create lessons of your own. (Spanish, German and English only)
10. <http://wordsteps.com/>
Wordsteps Wordsteps makes it easy for students to build their own vocabulary collection, and even access their vocabulary through a mobile device for English language learning on the go. (requires free registration)