

List of resources suggested to use with learners with EAL during home learning

Resources listed here provide exposure to extended reading, listening (and where possible) speaking. Some resources are curriculum-focussed, whereas others are language-focussed. This is a 'living' list and will be updated regularly.

	Link	What is it?	Why is this relevant now?	What is this appropriate for?	Phase	Curriculum links
1.	https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/for-home/find-a-book/library-page/	<p>Oxford Owl free eBook library.</p> <p>Has free e-books for ages 3 – 11 years old.</p> <p>Many (if not all) of the books have audio to accompany the reading. There are also notes and/or activities (some of which are interactive) that parents can use to help children with understanding for most books.</p>	EAL learners are limited to their exposure to listening in English. With the audio and the reading, they get both the listening and the reading exposure.	This is particularly good for parents whose level of English language proficiency is low as the audio is already there to support the learners.	Primary	English, Maths, Literacy
2.	https://kidsread2kids.com/	<p>A website where learners who have struggled with reading (due to specific learning difficulties) read books to others.</p> <p>There are videos with the children reading books aloud.</p>	It provides further exposure to the type of language found in fiction, as well as listening practice from the learner's peers. Currently, interactions with peers is limited,	Good for secondary school age children and probably best for bands B and up.	Secondary	English, Literacy

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		<p>They have started to introduce lesson plans – currently there is one for Peter Pan.</p> <p>This is not an EAL-specific resource.</p>	<p>as is exposure to good models of English, and the type of language found in fiction books that they might otherwise not have access to. This also provides good extended listening practice.</p>			
3.	https://etc.usf.edu/lit2go/	<p>A website with a collection of narrated stories and poems in Mp3. Not EAL-specific.</p>	<p>Provides learners to exposure to the type of literary language they may not have access to otherwise. Also provides exposure to extended listening.</p>	<p>Suitable for secondary band D/E learners.</p>	<p>Secondary</p>	<p>English, Literacy</p>
4.	https://www.storynory.com/	<p>Website with a collection of narrated stories accompanied by written text.</p> <p>Not specifically EAL-focussed.</p>	<p>Same as above</p>	<p>Suitable for primary learners.</p>	<p>Primary</p>	<p>English, Literacy</p>

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5.	http://learnenglishkids.britishcouncil.org/	A website with resources to help children learn English. Includes videos, games, short stories, songs and more.	This provides learners with a range of activities to choose from, all to help with learning English. Videos and stories are particularly good exposure to extended listening and reading, which they may not otherwise be getting.	Suitable for primary learners at all bands, but particularly good for lower level bands.	Primary	English language specific
6.	https://learnenglish teens.britishcouncil.org/	By the same company as the above, but this website is aimed at teens. This is not curriculum related but rather focussed on learning English as an additional language. Includes listening, reading, speaking, grammar and vocabulary.	This provides opportunities for learners to practise listening and reading with focussed comprehension questions and answers included. There is a section on speaking where learners can practice key functional language. This is useful as they may not	Suitable for secondary learners at all bands.	Secondary	English language specific

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			have much opportunity to do this at the moment.			
7.	https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize	<p>Curriculum-related resources to help learners access curriculum content. Each page usually involves a video, with text explanation underneath, and often there's a game/task to check understanding.</p> <p>not EAL-specific</p> <p>Now includes daily home schooling lessons for year 1 – year 10.</p>	This can help learners to access the curriculum in smaller chunks. The mixture of video and text makes it more accessible. Good at a time like now when a dense text focussed on curriculum content without any EAL support might be overwhelming or inaccessible.	Suitable for primary, secondary and post-16 learners at all bands, but particularly bands B – E.	Primary and secondary	All school subjects
8.	https://www.gamestolearnenglish.com/	<p>A website with games to learn English.</p> <p>Not focussed on curriculum content but rather focussed on English language learning.</p>	This can help to continue to provide primary learners with exposure to listening whilst also allowing them to play games to practice vocabulary and grammar	Suitable for primary learners bands A - D	Primary	English language-specific

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9.	https://www.abcya.com/	<p>This is an American site which provides online games linked to the Common Core Standards in the United States. Although this is not based on the UK Curriculum there is a lot of content that would be helpful for UK learners.</p> <p>This is content focussed rather than language focussed.</p>	<p>Good continued exposure to subject content through an English medium with access to lots of written and spoken English language models in the games.</p> <p>This is especially good for narrated stories that highlight the text as it's being read aloud.</p>	Primary Bands B - E	Primary	English, Maths, Science, Arts, Music (please note this is a US-based website)
10	https://stories.audible.com/start-listen	<p>Audible is a website with audio books.</p> <p>Children's books are available for free during this time, also in other languages including French, Spanish, Italian, German and Japanese</p>	<p>Good for extended listening practice, particularly good for challenging EAL learners who are bands D and E and also good for helping learners access stories in languages other than English</p>	All ages, especially bands C+	Primary and Secondary	English, Literacy

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11	https://www.ealhub.co.uk/video-stories/	This website has videos of bedtime stories accompanied by illustrations and a narrator.	Good for extended listening practice for younger learners	Primary	Primary	English, Literacy
12	https://ed.ted.com/	<p>This is a website with videos, often given by inspirational speakers on specific topics/questions.</p> <p>This is part of ted.com except this is directed specifically towards education.</p> <p>On entering the site, you can choose to enter as a teacher, parent or student.</p> <p>When entering as a student you are given a variety of videos to choose from, each with a guided mini lesson divided into 4 parts: 'Watch' (the video), 'Think' (answer multiple choice questions), 'Dig Deeper' (read a short text and</p>	<p>Good for extended listening practice.</p> <p>The blog may be good extended reading practice.</p> <p>Includes comprehension check questions.</p>	Secondary, especially bands C+	Secondary	<p>All subjects</p> <p>(Please note this is an educational video website with curriculum-related content, but not directly addressing current curriculum)</p>

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		<p>see additional resources) and 'Discuss' (leave a comment in response to a question.</p> <p>Entering as a parent or teacher allows you to customize questions for existing ted talks.</p> <p>Transcripts are often available in a broad range of languages.</p> <p>On ted.com you can also find a blog and podcast resources.</p>				
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