

USEFUL RESOURCES ON THE NET



CATEGORY & NAME & URL	DESCRIPTION
OPEN SOURCE SUITES	

[Open Office](#) A free Microsoft alternative

[AbiWord](#) A free Alternative to Word

COURSE MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS (CMS)	
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[Atutor](#) Free CMS

[NiceNet](#) Free CMS

INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS	
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[Open Courseware Consortium](#) Free and open digital publication of high quality educational materials, organized as courses.

[MIT Online Courses](#) 1800 free courses

[Ed Tech Center](#) Free workshops, lessons on enhancing instruction

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[MERLOT Repository](#) Free, peer-reviewed materials, guest speaker connections

[Open Learn](#) Free courses from UK's Open University

[WebQuest Portal 1](#) Project-based portals; WebQuests in all fields

[WebQuest Portal 2](#)

[Assessment Rubrics](#) Rubrics for all kinds of assessment

[Online instruction pedagogy](#) Free materials on online course pedagogy

SEARCH FOR EDUCATORS	
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[Google Search for Scholars](#) Academic papers, shows citations too

[Google curriculum search](#) Search lectures and assignments
[Ulakbim](#) Online subject, citation search and document retrieval system (literally brought to your door)

[Del.icio.us Bookmarking](#) Bookmarking useful sites; can view others' bookmarks too

LANGUAGE RESOURCES

Wordnet	A lexical database from Princeton, available as a standalone program to download or as an online resource
Spell-Check	Useful if your installed version of Windows or MS Word is Turkish and you don't have an English spell-check installed
Edict Concordancer & Dictionary	Dictionary and concordancer
Multi-language Dictionary	Translation from/to 20 languages

VISUAL RESOURCES

Concept Map makers

IHMC Cmap Tools	Concept mapmaker
Inspiration Software	Concept maps for visual thinking and learning
Compendium Institute	Concept mapmaker
Free Mind	Concept mapmaker
Visual Thesaurus	A thesaurus in a concept map form

Slides, wikis & blogs...

Slide Share	For sharing presentations on the web
Dashboard	Free wiki tool
Wikispaces	Free wiki tool; very user-friendly
Blogger	Free, 3-step blog creator; very user-friendly
Blogmakers	Free blog creator
WebHuddle	Free virtual meeting software

Video/Editing softwar

VLC player	Cross-platform media player and streaming server
Gimshop	A free alternative to Photoshop
Photofiltre	A free alternative to Photoshop
Blender	A free open source 3D content creation suite, available for all major operating systems

AUDIO RESOURCES

Podcasting

[BBC Podcast Service](#)

Podcasts

[The RSA](#)

Podcasts

[TVOntario's Big Ideas](#)

Series offering a lot of quality topics

Recording and editing software

[Audacity](#)

Free software, produces good results

COMPUTER SKILLS

[Touch Typing](#)

Freeware to improve your typing skills

CONVERSION

File Conversion

[Zamzar](#)

Conversion for documents, graphics and audio formats, including pdf creation and YouTube clip saving

Program Versions

[Old Version](#)

Archives of the old versions of popular programs

FIREFOX ADD-ONS

[Find On Page](#)

You can highlight all instances of a given word or phrase

[Dictionary](#)

Add-on dictionary

[Pdf Downloader](#)

Add-on that gives immediate choices for pdf files

[Auto-former](#)

Useful when you lose your unsaved work

[Zotero](#)

Helps collect, manage, and cite research sources

[RSS](#)

"Live bookmarks" in Firefox terminology