

## SELECTED CONTENT AREA WEBSITES FOR CONTENT-BASED INSTRUCTION (CBI) CURRICULUM DESIGN (See also the list of podcasts)

### **Business & Economics**

*About.com: English for Business, Work and Other Special Purposes*

[http://esl.about.com/od/englishforbusinesswork/English\\_for\\_Business\\_Work\\_and\\_other\\_Special\\_Purposes.htm](http://esl.about.com/od/englishforbusinesswork/English_for_Business_Work_and_other_Special_Purposes.htm)

*Boggles World ESL*

<http://bogglesworldesl.com/>

Includes a wide variety of activities for a range of learners to develop language skills, including business English (e.g. banking & hotel English).

*Breaking News English*

[http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/business\\_english.html](http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/business_english.html)

Business English lesson plans and podcasts.

*Bull's Eye Business Writing Tips*

<http://www.basic-learning.com/tips/tips.aspx>

An archive of over 300 tips on how learners can improve their business writing skills. Sign up to receive their free weekly business writing tips via email.

*Business Letter Writing Basics*

[http://esl.about.com/cs/onthejobenglish/a/a\\_basbletter.htm](http://esl.about.com/cs/onthejobenglish/a/a_basbletter.htm)

Kenneth Beare's useful guide.

*Business English*

<http://www.better-english.com/exerciselist.html>

A valuable resource for grammar, vocabulary, and spelling exercises for business English.

*EcEdWeb*

<http://ecedweb.unomaha.edu/home.cfm>

The Economic Education Web is your portal to economic education resources in all forms and at all levels. Select from the menus to find exciting materials for teaching economics.

*Foundation for Teaching Economics*

<http://fte.org/teachers/lessons/lessons.htm>

Another excellent source of engaging materials to build economic literacy.

*globalEDGE*

<http://globaledge.msu.edu/>

A rich resource of current information on business & culture in 196 countries plus links to selected international business resources. Look for resources on culture under 1) Country Guides, and 2) Resource Desk: Culture. Register for their free electronic newsletter!

*Internet-Based Projects for Business English* — Opp-Beckman, Leslie and Kay Westerfield

<http://aei.uoregon.edu/esp/>

Guidelines for how to blend Internet technology with business communication training. Integrated skills tasks and projects and a resource list of key business and English language learning websites.

*Business English for Teachers and Learners*[www.wfi.fr/volterre/businessenglish.html](http://www.wfi.fr/volterre/businessenglish.html)

Outstanding resource that focuses on teaching and learning business English.

*Business English on the Net*[www.wfi.fr/volterre/bizenglish.html](http://www.wfi.fr/volterre/bizenglish.html)

Linda Thalman's guide on how to improve business English skills using the Internet.

**Health & Medicine***Communication Skills for the Clinical Placement*<http://www.unisanet.unisa.edu.au/learn/LearningConnection/?PATH=/Resources/la/Clinical+communication/&default=Welcome.htm>

A workshop for beginning ESL nursing students created by Virginia Hussin, University of South Australia.

*Medline Plus*<http://medlineplus.gov/>

A site sponsored by the U.S. National Library of Medicine and National Institutes of Health.

*All Nurses.com*<http://allnurses.com/>

Website with lots of helpful nursing information, including online discussions and news. Scroll to the bottom of the page for links to nursing literature and journals.

*WebMD*<http://www.webmd.com/>

Links to information on numerous diseases and areas of medical specialization.

*Nursing Theory Page*<http://www.sandiego.edu/academics/nursing/theory/>

Links to nursing biographies and the theories and models of nursing they influenced.

**Mathematics & the Sciences***Frank Potter's Science Gems*<http://www.sciencegems.com/>

Activities for elementary, secondary, and post-secondary classes.

*George Mason University Department of Biology Writing Guidelines*<http://classweb.gmu.edu/biologyresources/writingguide/index.htm>

Guidelines to help develop and perfect the writing skills that are necessary in the biological sciences.

*NASA for Educators*

Rich resource for materials on space science and mathematics for teachers and learners, primary school through adults.

<http://www.nasa.gov/audience/foreducators/index.html>

*Science Teachers' Resource Center*<http://chem.lapeer.org/>

Resources for teaching chemistry, biology, and physics.

*A Short Guide to Writing Mathematics*<http://www.swarthmore.edu/NatSci/smaurer1/WriteGuide/>

Stephen Maurer, Swarthmore College, offers a download of his unpublished text in exchange for feedback. Website also includes "Common Word Errors in Mathematics."

*Teachers' Domain*<http://www.teachersdomain.org/>High quality resource with lesson plans & materials (audio & video downloads, too!) in a number of content areas: sciences, history, social studies, arts, language arts (English), and mathematics.*Writing Exercises in Science*<http://www.fauxpress.com/kimball/w/9.html>*Science-teachers.com*

Materials related to life science, space science, earth science, and physical science.

<http://www.science-teachers.com/>*Discovery Channel*

Explore the resources of the Discovery Channel's many programs. Some videos can be watched also.

<http://dsc.discovery.com/guides/guides.html>*National Science Foundation*<http://www.nsf.gov/news/classroom/>

Welcome to Classroom Resources--a diverse collection of lessons and web resources for classroom teachers, their students, and students' families

*National Geographic Kids*

Lots of videos, games and other activities for kids and young adults.

<http://kids.nationalgeographic.com/kids>**Resources for Building Cultural Competence***Countries and their Cultures*<http://www.everyculture.com/>*globalEDGE*<http://globaledge.msu.edu> The globalEDGE web site is a rich, free, source of information on doing business internationally. In addition to country statistics and industry information, it includes links to information on country-specific and regional business customs and etiquette. Register for the site in order to receive the free email newsletter, which features a different country every month. For an overview of the culture of a specific country, on the home page, click on "Country Insights" and select a region and country of interest. Click on "Culture" for useful insights to develop cultural competence.

The globalEDGE listing of on-line resources on culture offers links to more:

<http://globaledge.msu.edu/resourcedesk/culture/>

*Close Encounters at Mato Tipila*

<http://questgarden.com/26/09/6/060525111456/>

A WebQuest designed to help students understand different cultural perspectives relating to the use of a mountain that is sacred to Native Americans, but popular with climbers and hikers.

*English Club*

English Club has lessons, games, quizzes, forums, chat, lesson plans focused on EFL learners. Opportunities to learn about English learners in other countries.

<http://www.englishclub.com/index.htm>

**More Resources for CBI and General English***Boggles World ESL*

<http://bogglesworldesl.com/>

Resources for a range of content areas and learner populations.

*ESL Independent Study Lab*

<http://legacy.lclark.edu/~krauss/toppicks/toppicks.html>

Contains over 225 of the best Internet resources for ESL/EFL students organized by skill and proficiency level

*E.L. Easton English Online*

<http://www.eleaston.com/vocabulary.html>

Includes links to vocabulary lists of common words in general English and content areas.

*Online English Language Center*

<http://oelp.uoregon.edu/>

This site at the University of Oregon introduces educators and teachers to valuable resources available through the Web for English language learning and teaching.

*Purdue University Online Writing Lab (OWL)*

<http://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/>

In addition to EAP writing guidelines, including citation help, the OWL contains many helpful writing guides and exercises for professional writing, including resumes, cover letters, and memos.

*Edutopia*

Resources and videos for empowering and connecting people with innovative solutions and resources to support task-based learning.

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

*Make Beliefs Comix!*

Students can make their own comic strips.

<http://www.makebeliefscomix.com/Comix/>