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## Multicultural Web Resources for Education (An initial guide)



The Internet is a wonderful tool for teachers, parents and children. Sample some of these.

## If you don't have Internet access or are not sure how to get to the sites you want, ASK A LIBRARIAN, THE BESTSEARCH ENGINE @yourlibrary

Asia Express: Online guide to Colorado's Asian-related resources and events. <u>www.asiaxpress.com</u>

• AWAIR (Arab World and Islamic Resources): Materials and services for educators who wish to teach about the Arab World and Islam from elementary to the pre-college level. <u>www.awaironline.org</u>

• **BookSpot:** A free resource center that simplifies the search for the best book-related content on the Web. Featured sites are hand-selected by BookSpot.com editors and organized into intuitive categories, such as bestseller lists, genres, book reviews, electronic texts, book news and more. *(www.bookspot.com)* Several of these have to do with specialized children's lists, such as

- o African-American (<u>www.bookspot.com/features/afamliterature.htm</u>),
- o Native American (www.bookspot.com/features/nativeamerican.htm) and
- o Asian-American (<u>www.bookspot.com/features/asianauthors.htm</u>).

• **Center for Multilingual Multicultural Research** (University of Southern California) : The Center is an organized research unit at the University of Southern California, facilitating the research collaboration, dissemination and professional development activities Has links to numerous resources for African-American, Asian-Pacific, Latino, and Native American resources. <u>www.usc.edu/dept/education/CMMR</u>

• **¡Colorín Colorado!:** The companion, Spanish-language site from children's literacy project Reading Rockets. Has tons of help for parents especially. <u>www.colorincolorado.org</u>

• **Disability Awareness Kit:** For public libraries, but thought-provoking for any type library. Activities, resources. Canadian-based. <u>http://home.vicnet.net.au/~dakit/welcome.htm</u>

• **Disability Resources:** Librarians' resources, numerous links and information. *www.disabilityresources.org/DRMlibs.html* 

• **Diversity Toolkit** (Colorado State Library and Colorado Council for Library Development): Year-round calendar, downloadable bookmarks, and bibliographies for Colorado's four major ethnic groups. <u>http://diversity.aclin.org/</u>

• Islam for Children: Easy to understand overview that includes a look at family life, holidays and daily life as well as religion. <u>http://atschool.eduweb.co.uk/carolrb/islam/islamintro.html</u>

• **Kidlink:** Global, non-profit organization. Free services to youth through secondary level through the Internet with multitude of opportunities for participation—art, music, photos, essays, chat. Has dozens of public mailing lists for youth and adults (mostly teachers and parents) in 19 language areas, a private chat network, and a multi-lingual web site of more than 100,000 pages. "Where on earth is this country?" section enables kids to search for basic information on all countries. <u>www.kidlink.org</u>

• **Kindersite Project:** For ALL preschool and kindergarten age children and English learners, has 1,000s of links to the best games, songs and stories for young children. <u>www.kindersite.org</u>

• Library of Congress—Portals to the World Project: Links to hundreds of countries with selective links providing authoritative, in-depth information about the nations and other areas of the world, arranged by country or area with the links for each sorted into a wide range of broad categories. www.loc.gov/rr/international/portals.html

• Library of Congress--The African-American Mosaic: A Library of Congress Resource Guide for the Study of Black History and Culture. <u>http://lcweb.loc.gov/exhibits/african/intro.html</u>

• Multi-Cultural Outreach Services Web Resources from the Boulder Public Library: Certainly not just for kids, contains links for African-American, Asian, Latino, Native American and other interests, in areas like health, culture, literature. <u>www.boulder.lib.co.us/special/multicultural/multilinks.html</u>

• National Civil Rights Museum (Tennessee): Assists the public in understanding the lessons of the Civil Rights Movement and its impact and influence on the human rights movement worldwide. <u>www.civilrightsmuseum.org</u>

• Nikkei View: Colorado writer Gil Asakawa's work-in-progress focusing on Japan and the Nikkei experience. <u>www.nikkeiview.com</u>

• San Antonio Public Library Spanish Sites: Links to sites in Spanish on comprehensive list of topics, including sites especially for children. <u>www.sanantonio.gov/library/web/enlaces.asp?res=1024&ver=true</u>

• Voices of Civil Rights: Personal stories, oral histories, and personal artifacts of the Civil Rights Movement. Searchable online archive of stories from firsthand accounts, interactive features, essays, interviews, and special reports on contemporary civil rights issues. Presented by AARP and the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights. <u>www.voicesofcivilrights.org</u>

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