

English language students : useful resources

This is a list of books, journals and other resources useful for English studies. Most of the resources you need will be in the Clifford Whitworth Building or the Language Resource Centre (LRC) in Maxwell Building (items in the LRC are for reference use only). Ask at a Student Support Desk if you have any problems finding books and journals.

Useful book numbers:

Language	
English dictionaries	423
English grammar	428.2
English language (general)	420
English spelling	421.52
Grammar (in general)	415
History of English	420.9
Language (in general)	400
Linguistics	410
Middle English	427.02
Middle English dictionaries	427.0203
Old English	429
Pronunciation (in general)	421.52

England	
Economics	330
Education	370
Geography	910
History of England	941
Politics of England	320.941
Religion of England	274

Dictionaries			
Arabic	492.73	Italian	453.21
Chinese	495.13	Japanese	495.63
Dutch	439.313	Portuguese	469.3
English	423	Russian	491.73
French	443.21	Spanish	463.21
German	433.21	Swedish	439.73
Greek	489.33		

Easy readers

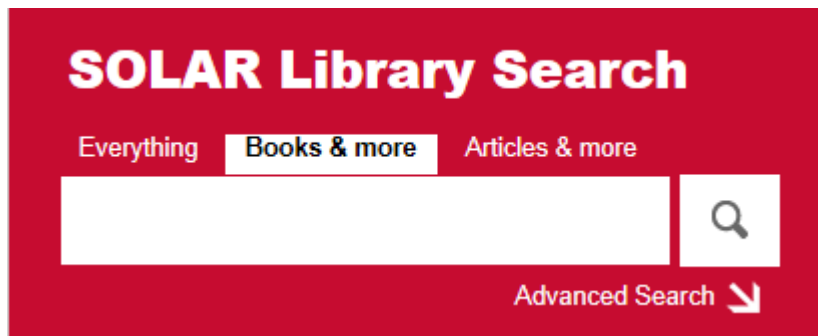
There is a large collection of books called **Easy Readers** which are small versions of popular fiction – these are very useful to practice English reading skills. They are shelved at **428.64**.

Language CDs and DVDs

There are also language CDs and DVDs available in the Audio Visual collection on the second floor of Clifford Whitworth library (in the Lady Hale extension) and in the LRC. They are kept in number order, just the same as the books. Some of the most useful language material will have the numbers **420** to **428**.

Finding resources

To find books and journals, both electronic and print, you need to search using SOLAR, the Library's portal to its resources. It can be accessed through the **SOLAR Library Search** link under the **Library & Learning Support** tab on the **Student Channel** at: <http://students.salford.ac.uk>



Information on how to use SOLAR is available in the guide **SOLAR: Search Our Library's Academic Resources** under the General tab at <http://www.salford.ac.uk/library/help/user-guides>

For more information on finding resources, see the **Languages Information Sources guide** which can be found under the Subjects tab at <http://www.salford.ac.uk/library/help/user-guides>

English and international newspapers

Of particular use to language students is **Nexis Business and News**. This is accessed through the **Databases** tab on SOLAR. It is a web based service containing full text coverage of major British and American national newspapers as well as many local and regional newspapers from both countries. It also contains an extensive collection of other international news sources, including major European newspapers such as Le Monde, La Stampa and El Pais.

We also have access to other newspapers via SOLAR such as The Guardian, The Telegraph and Die Zeit and we have paper copies of some current day newspapers in the Clifford Whitworth library.

Electronic dictionaries

There are also some electronic versions of dictionaries which you can access via SOLAR. One particularly good resource is **Oxford Reference Online** which includes English and bilingual dictionaries, as well as subject dictionaries and reference books.

Box of Broadcasts

Box of Broadcasts, frequently known as BoB, is a useful resource for playing back and requesting off-air video and audio recordings. It is provided by the British Universities Film & Video Council (BUFVC) and can be used to record, store and create clips from television and radio broadcasts. BoB is a streaming service **available to you personally for academic purposes** during your time at the University of Salford. BoB can be accessed through the **Databases** tab in SOLAR.

Off campus access

You can gain access to many databases off campus (outside the University) by using your network username and password. Contact the Library Student Support Desk by visiting the Library, phone 0161 295 5535 or email library@salford.ac.uk if you have problems.

Skills for Learning

The **Skills for Learning website** at <http://www.salford.ac.uk/skills-for-learning> brings study support together in one easy to find place. It covers all the main areas of:

- Reading and writing
- Finding and understanding information
- Using and referencing information
- IT and digital skills
- Working with numbers
- Group work and presentations
- Assessment, revision and exams
- Supporting your dyslexia or disability

Support is available via eLearning, videos and guides, by booking onto a workshop, calling into a drop in or arranging a one to one appointment.

Help and advice

Each library site has a dedicated Student Support Desk available during the key opening times. They will be happy to help you find any material you require and answer any general questions you may have about using library material.

You can also contact your **Academic Support Librarian, Maree Green** for help:

Web address: <http://www.salford.ac.uk/library/help/academic-support>

Email: M.E.Green@salford.ac.uk

Phone: 0161 295 6680.

Please get in touch if you would like any further help, advice or arrange a one to one appointment.

Please note: Information contained in this Subject Guide was correct at the time of publication. A more recent version may be available at: <http://www.salford.ac.uk/library/help/user-guides>