

Websites on Children's Literature

The American Library Association

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

Amazing resources can be found on this extensive site, including booklists, award-winners, free or inexpensive teaching materials, and more.

The Children's Book Council

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

Resources galore at the CBC's site, including access to the National Children's Laureate information and a detailed database of award-winning children's literature.

The Five Owls

<http://www.fiveowls.com/>

An online journal that offers essays, thematic book lists, and reviews of selected new "books of merit."

International Reading Association Choices Booklists

<http://www.reading.org/resources/tools/choices.html>

Booklists for the IRA Children's Choices awards, Teacher's Choices awards, and Young Adult Choices awards. The yearly lists include 100 books selected by children, 30 books selected by teenage reviewers, and 30 books selected by teachers, librarians, and specialists for use in the classroom.

Web English Teacher

<http://webenglishteacher.com/>

Hundreds of author links and lesson ideas for children's and young adult literature. Plus links for ELL, grammar, poetry, media, speech, and much more.

Children's Lit

<http://childrenslit.com/th.htm>

Includes summaries of children's, middle reader, and young adult lit organized by theme.

Booktalks – Quick and Simple

<http://nancykeane.com/booktalks/>

Find books descriptions and reviews arranged by title, author, subject, and level. Also contains tips for conducting effective booktalks.

Reading Rockets

<http://stage.readingrockets.org/>

All things reading for all ages. Includes great booklists, reading resources, lessons, news articles, webcasts, parent tips, author links, etc.

Readergirlz

<http://www.readergirlz.com/manifesta.html>

A monthly book club for girls, giving the “inside scoop” from the authors and other links dealing with the issues presented in the book.

The Author Corner

<http://www.carr.org/authco/>

A place to learn about authors and illustrators of children’s books. Written for grades 2 to 10.

Book Rap

http://rite.ed.qut.edu.au/old_oz-teachernet/projects/book-rap/

Coordinates book discussions between students and classrooms around the world.

Guys Read

<http://www.guysread.com/>

An exciting site encouraging boys to read. Includes book suggestions.

The Cybils

<http://dadtalk.typepad.com/cybils/>

Children’s and YA bloggers literary awards

Children’s Literature Web Guide

<http://www.acs.ucalgary.ca/%7Edkbrown/index.html>

Contains everything from discussion boards, to awards lists to Reader’s Theatre links to resources for teachers, etc.

Carol Hurst’s Children’s Literature Site

<http://www.carolhurst.com/>

So much here, including book reviews, ideas for integration with other subject areas, ideas for theme work in the classroom.

Oyate

<http://www.oyate.org/aboutus.html>

An organization that works to ensure Native Americans are portrayed accurately in literature. Gives books reviews and criticisms along with suggestions by grade level.

Cynthia Leitich Smith's Children's & Young Adult Literature Resources

http://www.cynthialeitichsmith.com/lit_resources/cyalr_index.html

Interesting author interviews, lists of books about diversity, writer’s links, book recommendations and more.

Gander Academy – Readers Theatre

<http://www.cdli.ca/CITE/langrt.htm>

Links of resources to conduct readers theatre in the classroom, including scripts.

Linda’s Links to Literature

<http://www.lindaslinkstoliterature.com/III/>

A subscription site that has lesson plans and activities to thousands of YA and children's literature. Also contains many free useful links and resources for teachers.

Blogs on Children's Literature

Most of the blogs listed contain reviews of YA books. Some however go beyond this and discuss issues surrounding YA literature, including reviewing, writing and publishing.

American Indians in Children's Literature

<http://americanindiansinchildrensliterature.blogspot.com/>

Big A, little a: Children's books, writing, and life

<http://kidslitinformation.blogspot.com/>

Read Roger: The Horn Book Editor's rants and raves

<http://www.hbook.com/blog/>

Listservs/E-mail Groups on Children's Literature

Child_lit

https://mailman.rutgers.edu/mailman/listinfo/child_lit

“A discussion group convened for the express purpose of examining the theory and criticism of literature for children and young adults. The list exists for anyone interested in discussing aspects of these broad fields, including authorship, illustration, publication, promotion, readership, reception, criticism and literature's changing social functions and implications.”