



# Quick Reference Guide to Finding Creative Commons Material

## for Teachers and Students

This information guide was jointly developed by the ARC Centre of Excellence for Creative Industries and Innovation through Creative Commons Australia and the National Copyright Unit of the COAG Education Council.

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### Information about Creative Commons

- <http://www.creativecommons.org> – CC international site
- <http://creativecommons.org.au/> - CC Australia site
- <http://www.icommons.org> – iCommons – CC-founded open source community
- [http://wiki.creativecommons.org/Content\\_Curators](http://wiki.creativecommons.org/Content_Curators) - List of sites which host CC-licensed material

### Search tools for finding Creative Commons and open access resources

These sites have material which is searchable by how they can be used, including whether they are under a Creative Commons licence:

- <http://search.creativecommons.org/> - main CC search engines
- [http://www.google.com.au/advanced\\_search](http://www.google.com.au/advanced_search) – Google advanced-search allows you to search for material based on its “usage rights”
- <http://www.flickr.com/creativecommons/> - allows you to search the Flickr photo archive for CC material

### Web resources where all material is CC licensed or open access

#### Text

- <http://wiki.creativecommons.org/Books> - CC wiki listing notable CC licensed books
- <http://freewords.org/freepress/> - an artistic project which releases an eclectic mix of writing under CC licensing
- <http://www.austlii.edu.au/> - collection of Australian state and federal legislation, case law and journals. AustLII participates in the [free access to law](http://www.austlii.edu.au/au/other/au-other/au-other/au-other/free_access_to_law/) movement.
- <http://doaj.org> – an online directory that indexes and provides access to quality open access, peer-reviewed journals.
- <http://www.thecommonsjournal.org/index.php/ijc> - an open access journal.



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- <http://ck12.org> – creates and aggregates high quality curated Science, Technology, Engineering and Math content.
- <http://en.wikibooks.org> – an open-content textbooks collection.

### **Images**

- <http://www.geograph.org.uk/> - photographs of the British Isles all under CC licences
- <http://openphoto.net/> - a moderated photo community with over 3000 CC licensed photos in various categories
- <http://wellcomeimages.org/> - a collection of openly licensed images from topics ranging from medicine and magic to science.
- <http://openstreetmaps.org> – a map of the world built by a community of mappers that contribute and maintain the source data.
- [http://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/Maps\\_of\\_the\\_world](http://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/Maps_of_the_world) - collection of maps contained within the Wikimedia Commons repository.
- <http://pixabay.com> – a site where you can discover and share images free of all copyrights. All pictures are published under Creative Commons public domain deed CC0.
- <http://europeana.eu/portal> - a portal that allows you to view materials from a range of Europe's leading galleries, libraries, archives and museums.
- <http://eol.org> – a site that gathers knowledge about all of Earth's life forms and makes it available to everyone, anywhere.
- <http://plos.org> – The Public Library of Science site aims to provide more open access to research materials.
- <https://www.abelsoft.net/ccfinder.php> - CC finder is a software that enables you to search the net for CC licensed materials.
- <http://scienceimage.csiro.au> – the CSIRO's collection of CC licensed images.

### **Sound**

- <http://ccmixter.org> – CC sound remix tool and archive
- <http://www.opsound.com> – CC music archive
- <http://jamendo.org> – CC music distribution site
- <http://cchits.net/> - collaborative podcast where users can contribute, find, and share music under CC licences
- <http://soundtransit.nl/> - archive of "field recordings" from various locations around the world published under a CC Attribution licence
- <http://soundcloud.com/creativecommons> - an interactive community that shares various music and sounds under CC licenses.

### **Video**

- <http://wiki.creativecommons.org/Film> - CC wiki listing notable CC licensed films.
- <http://elephantsdream.org> - Elephants Dream, open source film
- <http://www.oddjobjack.com/freejack.php> - Master flash files and bitmaps of every piece of art used in the Odd Job Jack cartoon, available under a CC licence.
- <http://vimeo.com/creativecommons> - CC licensed videos available on Vimeo.
- <http://ted.com> – A collection of CC licensed short talks on topics from all disciplines and across all cultures.

### **Education**

- <http://www.curriki.org/welcome/> - Curriki offers world-class learning materials freely available to educators, students, and parents around the world.
- <http://oercommons.org> – a dynamic digital hub offering OER support including materials tools and training.
- <http://florida.theorangevillage.org/og/access/home.do> - Florida's digital repository for instructional resources.
- <http://cnx.org> – provides an open space where authors and learners can share and

freely adapt educational materials such as courses, books and reports.

- [http://wikieducator.org/Main\\_Page](http://wikieducator.org/Main_Page) - an evolving community based platform intended to facilitate collaborative learning
- <http://www.saylor.org> – provides online tuition free courses.
- <http://en.wikiversity.org> - a project dedicated to learning resources, learning projects and research for use in all levels from pre-school to university.
- <http://www.livebinders.com/play/play/117659#anchor> – provides learning resources for years K-12.
- <http://openeducationeuropa.eu/en> - a gateway that provides access to all existing European Open Education Resources.
- <http://khanacademy.org> – a website that provides free world-class education for anyone, anywhere.
- <http://p2pu.org/en> - a community based and driven site that provides free courses on a range of topics.
- <http://lemill.net> – a web community for finding, authoring and sharing learning resources.
- <http://opentapestry.com/items> - an online resource to help you discover, adapt and share learning resources
- <http://www.scottle.edu.au/ec/lobjects.htm> - educational learning objects and digital resources made available under a CC License from Education Services Australia.
- <http://mathispower4u.yolasite.com> – the site provides free math lessons and exercises.

### **Collections**

- <http://ocw.mit.edu/index.html> - provides free, searchable, access to MIT's course materials for educators, students, and self-learners around the world.
- <http://www.opendoar.org/> - a directory of open access academic repositories, featuring collections such as:
  - <http://www.tlrp.org/> - the Teaching and Learning Research Programme supports and develops the UK's educational research to improve outcomes for learners of all ages.
  - <http://www.hsdvl.org/> - the Harvard-Smithsonian Centre for Astrophysics, has built an extensive collection of digital video materials supporting science, technology, engineering, and mathematics education reform.
- <http://www.overmundo.com.br/banco/banco.php> - Overmundo Banco de Cultura - Brazilian multi-format CC archive (in Portuguese, but you can view the licences in English).
- <http://openknowledge.worldbank.org/> - the World Bank's open knowledge repository.

### **Other**

- <http://www.berkleeshares.com/> - provides music lessons in text, audio and video format under CC licence.

### **Web resources where some material is CC licensed or open access Images**

- <http://www.flickr.com> – online photo album – CC licensed material can be accessed via the main site, or through a dedicated portal at <http://www.flickr.com/creativecommons>

### **Video**

- <http://www.blip.tv> – free video distribution site
- <http://youtube.com> – apply the creative commons filter.

### **Other**

- <http://www.archive.org/> - The Internet Archive is an internet library, hosting thousands of CC-licensed and Public Domain video, audio, and text items.

- <http://secondlife.com> – Second Life, a resident built virtual world, which allows open licensing for content created in the world
- <http://openclipart.org/> - Open Clip Art Library
- <http://www.lightandmatter.com/> - The Light and Matter series of introductory physics textbooks is available for free under a CC licence.
- <http://trove.nla.gov.au> – Trove helps you find resources relating to Australia. It brings together content from libraries, museums, archives and other research organisations.

Remember that all CC material you use must be attributed. For information on how to attribute CC material, see information guide [‘How to Attribute Creative Commons Material’](#).