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Free Resources for Teachers and Students

www.meathlibraries.ie/onlineresources

Meath County Council Library Service has a great range of free online resources to offer your school community. We are hoping to connect students and staff with relevant resources that can be used whenever and wherever is easiest for the learner and the teacher.

Our free resources can enhance the learning experiences of students studying in both junior and senior cycles with content relevant to many curriculum subjects and can also serve as an excellent resource for staff looking to provide complementary coursework in subject areas such as ICT, Business & Economics, Languages, English, Careers, SPHE and more. Or simply use the e-services as an extra resource for those students who have interests they would like to pursue in non-curricular areas.

Through free library membership students and staff can avail of the following Online Resources at no cost. The services have all been procured by the Libraries Development Unit of the LGMA and have been rolled out to all libraries in the country.

Transition Year students may be in a unique position to make use of these resources to complement the curriculum with the eLearning Courses being of particular interest to them in helping them to develop their self directed learning skills.

[eLearning Courses](#) – Universal Class

[Online Newspapers](#) – PressReader

[Online Language Learning](#) – Transparent Language Online

[Digital Magazines](#) – RBdigital (Website & App for iOS, Android & Kindle Fire)

[eBooks and eAudiobooks](#) – BorrowBox (Website & App for Android, iOS & Amazon Fire Tablet and various eReaders (except Kindle brand))

How to Access Our eServices

Existing library members can use the library card number on the back of their library card to register for each of the services. Non members can [join the library online](#) and use any of the resources without even having to visit the library. Just use the number provided to you when you [join online](#).

Visit the library's website www.meathlibraries.ie/onlineresources to follow links to log in to your chosen resource.

For more information on using Meath Libraries Online Resources please visit our [website](#) or contact cbrecknell@meathcoco.ie We can also visit your school and provide an information stand or presentation for interested staff and students.

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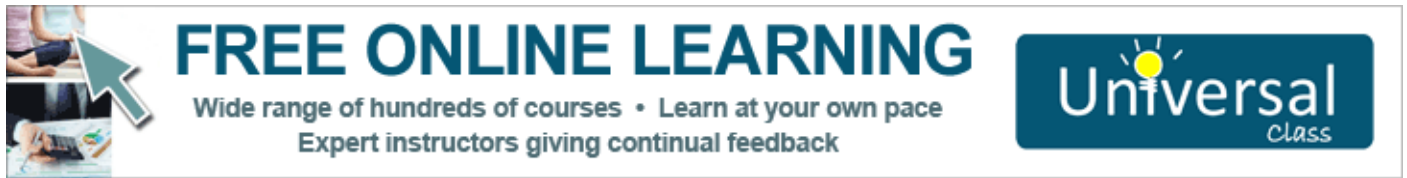
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eLearning Courses with Universal Class (Website)



Universal Class is a comprehensive service offering unlimited access to more than 500 courses. These range from Computers and Technology to Business and Entrepreneurship. All classes are self-paced and instructor-led, with certified instructors available to answer questions and assess your performance. Some courses are certified by the International Authority for Continuing Education and Training and professionals can also earn Continuing Education Units on approved courses.

Real instructors guide your learning through engaging video-based lessons, a collaborative learning environment and graded lesson tests. Certificates of achievement are awarded for each course successfully completed.
















There is also a **Video Audit** option for those who wish to learn without taking the tests. No certificate is awarded for these. Course length varies between 5 hours and 20 hours leaving them quite achievable for most learners.

Choose from over 500 courses in Exercise and Fitness, Entrepreneurship, Arts and Music, Home and Garden Care, Cooking, Computers and Technology, Health and Medicine, Homeschooling, Job Assistance, Law and Legal, Parenting and Family, Pet and Animal Care...plus more.












These courses may be of special interest to TY students but as you will see from the Course Catalogue there are courses to complement most areas of the junior and senior cycles. Click on the link below to see the course catalogue.

[Course Catalogue](#)



	Accounting Over 40 online courses		Alternative Medicine Over 40 online courses		Crafts & Hobbies Over 70 online courses
	Business Over 100 online courses		Career Training Over 100 online courses		Computer Training Over 50 online courses
	Entrepreneurship Over 100 online courses		Finance Over 65 online courses		General Education Over 95 online courses
	Health & Medicine Over 45 online courses		History Over 30 online courses		Homeschooling Over 40 online courses
	How To / Do It Yourself Over 55 online courses		Language Arts Over 35 online courses		Law/Legal/Criminal Over 40 online courses

Universal Class Course Categories

	Mathematics Over 10 online courses		Office Skills Over 100 online courses		Parenting and Family Over 45 online courses
	Personal Development Over 40 online courses		Pet and Animal Care Over 10 online courses		Psychology Over 60 online courses
	Real Estate Over 10 online courses		Science Over 15 online courses		Self-Help Over 70 online courses
	Social Work Over 40 online courses		Special Education Over 15 online courses		Spiritual Studies Over 35 online courses
	Teacher Resources Over 65 online courses		Test Preparation Over 35 online courses		Web Development Over 35 online courses
			Writing Skills Over 55 online courses		

Online Newspapers with PressReader (Website and App for Android & iOS)

<https://www.meath.ie/council/council-services/libraries/online-resources/online-newspapers>



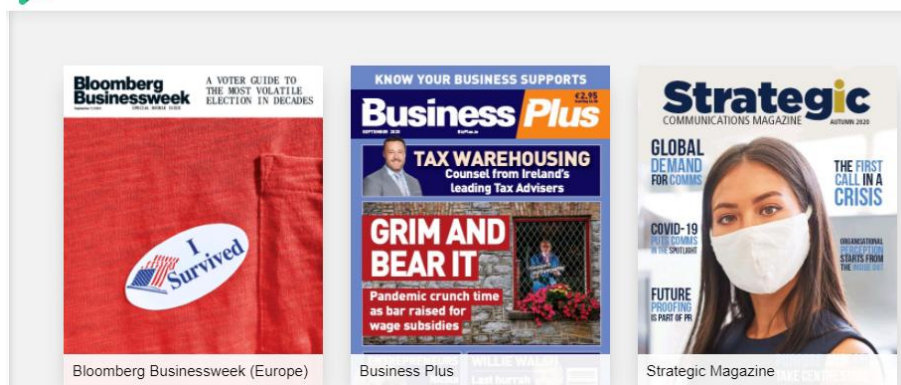
With access to thousands of publications from all over the world this Online Newspaper & Magazine resource offers opportunities for students of languages to read current news articles in their chosen language. There is also an **Audio** option to allow you to listen to articles (in their original language only), which might be good practice for aural skills for language learners.

Some publications are available in their published foreign language while the translation feature allows many more articles to be translated into one of 16 different languages including French, German and Spanish.

There is also a wide range of business and economics publications which can be used for up-to-date information to supplement student's text book learning. Using the database itself could be turned into an exercise in research skills.

PressReader could be used as a very effective resource for your students of Business, English and of Languages. But there are a large number of other categories of publications, such as Health & Fitness, Technology, History, Science, Travel, Crafts, Music etc.. that might also provide resources for other subject areas. Or just for the students to browse themselves for their own enjoyment.

 Publications > Ireland > Business & Current Affairs

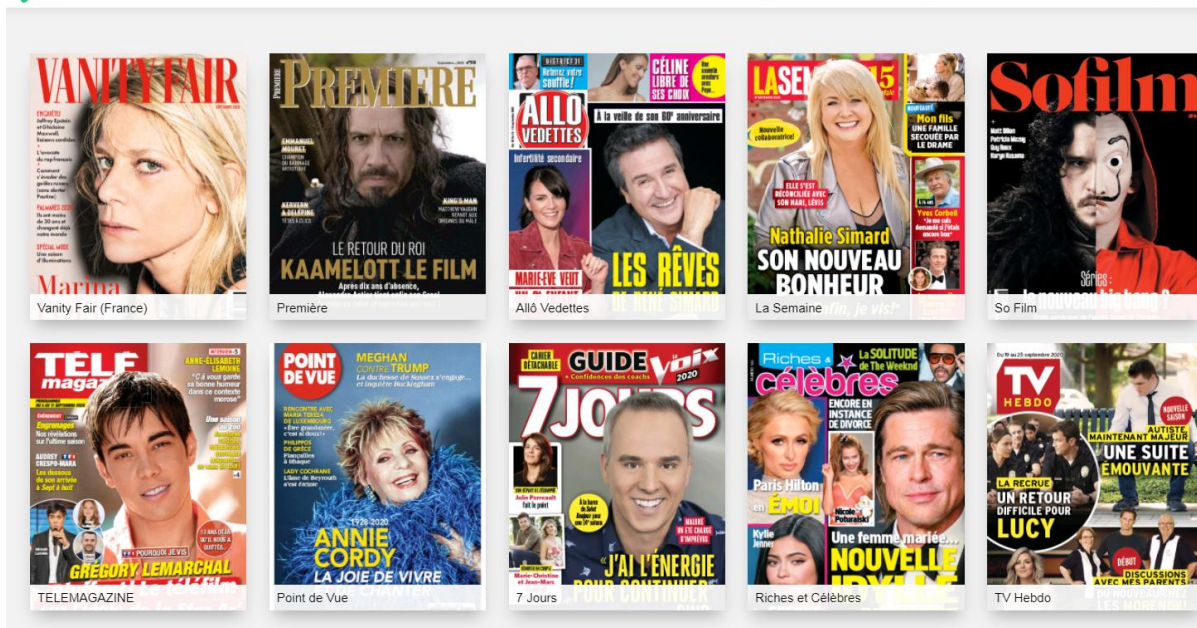




Languages

With publications in just over 60 languages which include Spanish, French, Portuguese, German, Danish, Arabic, Russian, Czech, Hindi, Chinese, Dutch, Italian and Polish there is plenty of reading material for students of a foreign language. And the translation feature also means that even English language publications can be used as extra material for language classes.

Publications in French : 519 Titles





German Publications: 384 in Total

Art	2
Automotive	4
Business & Current Affairs	12
Computers & Technology	32
Category	No of Publications
Crafts & Hobbies	1
Design	1
Entertainment & TV	11
Fashion	2
Food & Drinks	19
For Kids & Tweens	2
For Women	10

Health & Fitness	17
History & Science	6
Home & Garden	20
LGBTQ	2
Local Living	7
Music	3
News	207
Outdoors	1
Photography	15
Sports	2
Travel & Culture	15

(Cosmopolitan etc..)



Transparent Language Online (Website and App for Android & iOS)

<https://www.meath.ie/council/council-services/libraries/online-resources/online-language-courses>



[Transparent Language](#) offers a comprehensive language learning experience in over [100 languages](#) (including Irish, French, German, Spanish, Italian and Japanese).

With this flexible program, students can quickly and easily learn new languages using the wide variety of courses and activities. There are also a number of English courses taught through another language (e.g. English for Polish speakers)

The following are some of the features of the resource:

Over 100 Languages (and Growing!): From Afrikaans to Zulu, the number of languages available is constantly growing.

Extensive English Collection: With English materials for speakers of over 25 languages, an intermediate-level immersion course, and more, there are tools for every stage of learning English.

Alphabet Lessons: If you want to learn to read and write, you need to first know the alphabet. Get started on the right foot with our alphabet course.

Flexible Learning Path: Follow a plan or blaze your own trail. We give you a starting point, but you choose what you'd like to learn.

Speaking Practice: Transparent Language's proprietary EveryVoice™ technology speech-enables classic learning activities like Multiple Choice and Pronunciation Practice, allowing you to compare your pronunciation to that of a native speaker.

Typing Activities: Never typed in a foreign language? No problem! Beginners start with Easy Typing to input foreign characters. Intermediate learners can advance to type with the included fully-mapped native keyboard.

Got Grammar?: We sure do, and more! An extensive collection of videos and written explanations covers hundreds of grammar topics, providing learners with a strong foundation to build upon.

Enhanced Compatibility: Optimized for touchscreen use on Android™ tablets and iPads, Transparent Language Online works on virtually any Internet-connected device or computer.

Other Great Resources: Language and culture blogs, Word of the Day, and interactive social communities help you expand upon the basic learning material by connecting you with others.

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Sign in with your library card and PIN. If you're not a member you can [join online](#).

Visit the [BorrowBox page](#) on our website to see a PDF user guide and also a BorrowBox User Video.

There is a large selection of **Unlimited Simultaneous Access Young Adult Titles** which can be borrowed by multiple users, which would allow them to be used by a Book Club or by a class group. The list of titles, with a synopsis of each, can be found [on our website](#)

Each month a set of Campaign Titles are added to the collection. These are also multi-access titles that be borrowed simultaneously by users, although these generally are only available on a shorter term basis. These titles are always featured on the front page of the website and the app.

Any titles that are on loan can be reserved and users will be notified by email when reserves are available for them to download.

We have highlighted some other titles below which would be of interest to students and teachers. But there is a great range of diverse titles available to borrow or reserve with new titles added monthly.

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Study Skills



Healthy Ireland Collection on BorrowBox

These titles were selected as part of the [Healthy Ireland at your Library](#) programme, which is part of the overall Healthy Ireland initiative. It includes titles that address topics such as Mental Health, Healthy Eating, Alcohol, Tobacco, Physical Activity, Parenting, Children and Young People and Aging Positively. Links to the collections are included below. These titles have cross curricular application with books on healthy diet and nutrition for Home Economics and Biology and would link in with any wellbeing programmes as well as SPHE.

[Healthy Ireland eAudiobooks](#)

[Healthy Ireland eBooks on BorrowBox](#)

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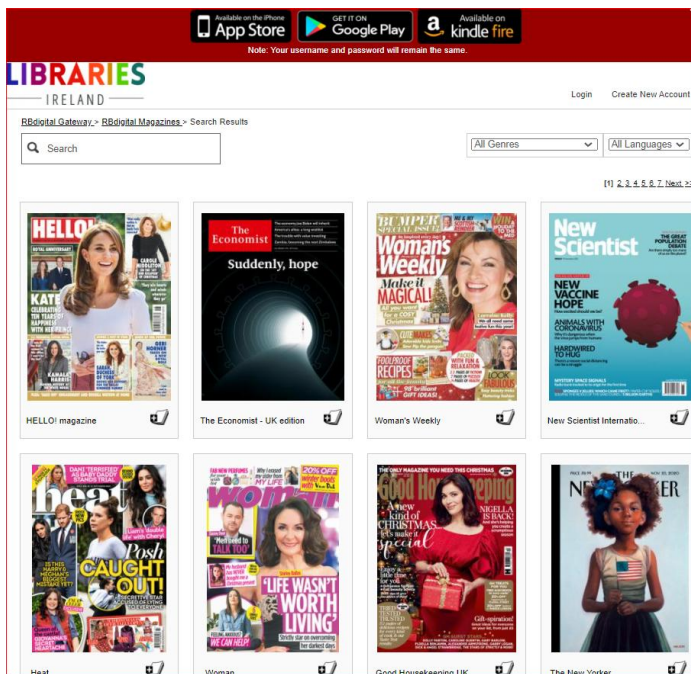
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Digital Magazines with RBdigital (Website and mobile app)

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The titles available range from Computers and Technology to Art & Photo, Business & Finance, Crafts, Current Affairs, Gaming, Science and Nature, Teen, Travel and more.

The majority of titles are in English but there are a small number of titles available in Spanish, French, German and Italian.

