

Resources for Learning and



Reading Online





This is a guide to the general resources for reading for pleasure and for home learning. It includes general resources, followed by specific resources for each subject area. It includes sites used for teaching and homework as well as resources designed to support your learning and enrich your understanding and enjoyment of your studies.

All the resources are free, at least for a free trial, except for BBC iPlayer for which you have to have a current TV licence to watch its resources. To open the websites, just right click on the link and select Open Hyperlink.

Also do not forget to check out Montsaye Academy's social media accounts

Instagram: montsayeacademyofficial

Twitter feeds: @Montsaye, @MontsayeEng, @montsayereading,

@montsayepe and @MontsayeSF

Facebook page: Montsaye Academy

You can also access the library catalogue from your student home page and request help or information from - <u>Library@montsaye.northants.sch.uk</u>

Thank you to all the staff who have helped me compile this guide.

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Montsaye Academy

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Northamptonshire Public Libraries

Although Northamptonshire library buildings are closed at the moment there are still ways of accessing information and books. You can join Northamptonshire Libraries if you live, work or study in the area so all staff and students are eligible to join for free.



To join you would normally register online and pick up a library card in person.

If you are already a library member this includes virtual library membership. You can use the online resources by entering your library card number and 4 digit PIN.

If you have forgotten or do not know your PIN, please email <u>centlib@firstforwellbeing.co.uk</u> and they will reset it.

Virtual library membership

If you wish to access <u>e-books</u>, <u>e-audiobooks</u>, <u>e-newspapers and e-magazines</u>, and also every resource in the <u>online reference</u> section, without becoming a full library member, you can become a Virtual library member.

To become a Virtual library member, you must live, work or study in Northamptonshire and have a personal email address.

How to apply for virtual library membership

You can apply for <u>virtual library membership online</u> without becoming a full library member by clicking on the link:

https://northamptonshire-self.achieveservice.com/service/ Join-

ing form for Virtual Membership of Northamptonshire Libraries and Information Se rvice# ga=2.182759974.1058530615.1610539430-311534225.1526475376

Once your form has been processed, your membership number will then be emailed to you.

Accessing e-books, e-audiobooks, e-newspapers and e-magazines

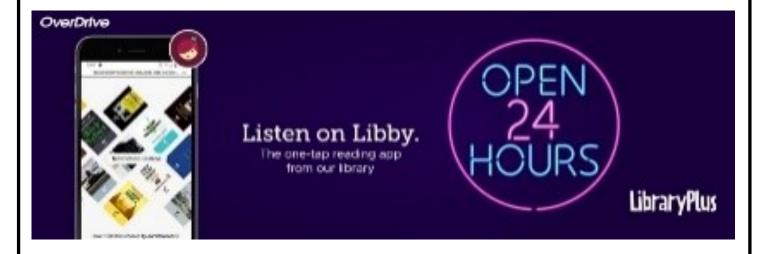
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The Northamptonshire Libraries e-book service provided through Borrow Box and Libby is available to both full and virtual members.

Listen and Read on Libby

Try our new e-audiobook and e-book service. Simply download the Libby app, search Northamptonshire Libraries and enter your library membership details to borrow 5 free e-audiobooks and 5 free e-books with a loan period of your choice! Visit our

e-audiobook and e-book pages for more information.



Or you can use **BorrowBox**:

BorrowBox is a free app which provides Northants public library members with access to e-books and audiobooks.



Resources for Wellbeing and Support



NHS Crisis Café Kettering gives access to a drop in café run by an NHFT mental health professional and a MIND peer support worker to provide support and safety to anyone in need.

NHS Mental Health Apps

NHS Mental Health Apps Chill Panda



YoungMinds is the UK's leading charity fighting for children's and young people's mental health

YoungMinds Crisis Management text YM 85258 **YoungMinds Parents' Helpline** 0808 802 5544



<u>Think for the Future</u> lets you listen to podcasts by mentors – try the resilience one.



Soft Murmur provides ambient background noise to aid concentration and wash away distractions.



Rainy mood provides sounds to aid sleep and study.

Simply Noise provides background noise.





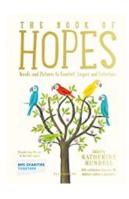
<u>Coffitivity</u> recreates the ambient sounds of a cafe to boost your creativity and help you work better.

BBC Headroom provides a mental health toolkit with tips and strategies to help you cope.



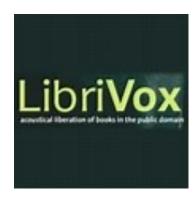
Reading for pleasure

<u>Project Gutenberg</u> gives you access to over 60,000 free e-books of texts out of US copyright.



The Book of Hopes is a special collection of stories, extracts, poems and art from over 100 children's authors and illustrators. Available from the library to borrow.

Librivox gives you access to audiobooks of texts out of US copyright, read by volunteers.





Poetry Foundation provides access to contemporary and classic poetry, based in US.

Oak National Academy Virtual School Library provides reading and writing activities from your favourite children's authors.





BookTrust Book Finder provides a range of books in a wide variety of genres and ages.



Guardian Books for 8 – 12 year olds

Guardian Books for teenagers

<u>Guardian Long Reads</u> — pod cast with long form articles on a variety of topics.



British Library Discovering Children's Books provides lots of activities and information on children's books.

<u>Start writing fiction</u> is a free course from the Open University, ideal for anyone who wants to become an author.



<u>Books for keeps</u> is an independent children's magazine.



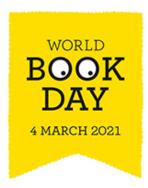
<u>Literacy trust</u> is an independent charity which aim to give children the literary skills to succeed in life.



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<u>Goodreads</u> is the world's largest site for students to write their own reviews of books they have read, find book lists, take part in quizzes and discover new books to read.

World Book Day: World of Stories as audiobooks.



Accelerated Reader sites for Montsaye Year 7 and 8 students

RENAISSANCE

Accelerated Reader Bookfinder™

<u>AR bookfinder</u> is an Accelerated Reader site with books you can quiz on by author, titles, types of books etc.

Accelerated Reader allows you to quiz on books you have read.

Resources for all subjects - Year 7 to 11



Resources for all subjects - Year 7 to 11



Bitesize revision materials and resources plus easy to follow lessons for home learning for all ages. Also has resources for lockdown learning.



Seneca Free revision sources for all subjects.

Gojimo free revision app.



Resources for all subjects - Sixth Form

Universiy Resources



ucas is the one-stop shop for all things university related...advice, course search, accommodation, finance, applying. Also contains information on the alternatives to university, including careers and higher level apprenticeships.



<u>TheUniGuide</u> tells you what to study, where to go, and how to get there. Find and compare the best courses and universities for you.



<u>The Student Room</u> is the UK's biggest **student** community. Boost your grades, learn with free study tools, find your perfect university place and get answers to any question on **the** forums.



<u>Complete University Guide</u> provides independent UK university rankings, course information and expert advice for every student.



<u>UniTasterDays</u> provides a comprehensive list of all university taster events, workshops, residential and open days for students and parents

Apprenticeship resources



<u>GovUk Apprenticeships</u> is the official government website for finding an apprenticeship. It contains lots of useful information for students considering this option.



<u>Institute for Apprenticeships and Technical Education</u> is a further useful source of information about apprenticeships.

Starting Off

<u>Starting off</u> is a local apprenticeship provider, specialising in administration and office-based opportunities.



NITAL is another local apprenticeship provider, specialising in engineering apprenticeships.

<u>Ucas apprentice</u> this is the apprenticeship section of the UCAS website.



Finance resources



GovUk Finance is the website for applying for university finance.

<u>Save the student!</u> is a **student** money website for everything **student** finance. Get the latest **student** discounts, **student** jobs, make money ideas and more.





<u>The Scholarship Hub</u> allows you to search and apply for UK bursaries, scholarships and grants for university on this comprehensive database of funding for UK students.



<u>Money Saving Expert</u> provides guides and tools to help you save money while studying.



Managing my money for young adults is a free course on tax, budgeting, savings credit and personal finance.

Resources for Maths



Mathswatch – used mainly for KS4 and GCSE.

Username is the first four letters of your first name followed by the first four letters of your surname then @montsaye

Your password is your date of birth in the format DD/MM/YYYY (not forgetting the slashes)

E.g. If your name is Charlie Bucket, born on 4th January 2006 then your login details would be:

Login: charbuck@montsaye

Password: 04/01/2006

Mymaths used at KS3/4 and KS4 – A level. Every Montsaye Academy student has their own login details. If you don't



know yours or have forgotten it, then just email your maths teacher.



Times tables rockstars

You will need the postcode of Montsaye Academy to search for the school (NN14 6BB) Username is the first four letters of your first name followed by the first four letters of your surname.

Password is your date of birth in the format DD/MM/YYYY (not forgetting the slashes).

E.g. If your name is Charlie Bucket, born on 4th January 2006 then your login details would be:

Login: charbuck

Password: 04/01/200



Kerboodle All year 7, 8 and 9 KS3 text books are available on Kerboodle as well as videos for every lesson, explaining the material.

The institution code is 'fry0'. If you cannot remember your login information, then request a password reset by using your school email.



Mathswizz gives access for year 7, 8 and 9 students.

<u>Dr Frost Maths</u> provides math teacher's free resources and guidance for students

If you have lost or forgotten your login details, ask for a password reset by using your school email and the password reset link

https://www.drfrostmaths.com/reset-password.php
It also includes a guide to Casio fc GTX85 calculator at
https://www.drfrostmaths.com/resource.php?rid=465







Maths Genie videos, questions and past papers for GCSE and A level.



<u>Parallel</u> has weekly maths puzzle challenges set by Dr Simon Singh.



Corbett Maths has revision videos, papers, worksheets for GCSE students



Brief history of mathematics is a BBC podcast by Professor Marcus du Sautoy.

Marcus duSautoy's Five Shapes is another BBC podcast.

<u>Simon Singh's Numbers</u> another BBC podcast.

More or Less is a BBC podcast on economics, statistics and maths.



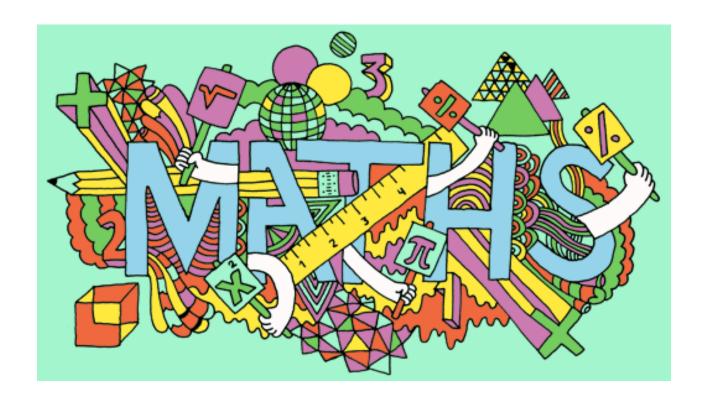
<u>The Secret of Mathematics</u> is a podcast lecture series from Oxford University.



The Maths Show Matt Parker's short video helping with GCSE maths.



<u>Succeed with maths</u> is a two day course from the Open University for people who are looking to improve their maths' confidence.



Resources for English



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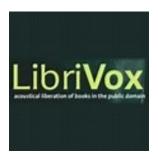
Royal Shakespeare Company Shakespeare Learning Zone provides resources for learning about the Bard.

Royal Shakespeare Company Romeo and Juliet

This website also includes information about individual plays e.g. Romeo and Juliet – includes the story, characters, language and staging in the play.



plays.



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<u>Poetry Foundation</u> provides access to contemporary and classic poetry, based in the US.

BBC iPlayer Literature features BBC shows on books.



Oak National Academy Virtual School Library provides reading and writing activities from your favourite children's authors.

BookTrust Book Finder allows you to find books in a wide variety of genres and ages.



<u>Authorfy</u> provides videos and masterclasses by authors ranging from Abi Elphinstone to Michael Morpurgo and Anthony Horowitz.

BookTrust

Resources for Science



BBC bitesize science provides resources for Science including Biology, Chemistry and Physics as well as Combined Science.



Seneca Free revision sources for all subjects including the sciences.



<u>Seterra</u> provides quizzes on human anatomy, cells, the periodic tables and more.

<u>Free science lessons</u> provides GCSE revision videos for Biology, Chemistry and Physics.



<u>Infinite Monkey Cage</u> is a comedy podcast about Science topics.



The Life Scientific is a BBC podcast on the work of individual scientists.



<u>The Curious Cases of Rutherford and Fry</u> sees scientific sleuths Adam Rutherford and Hannah Fry providing answers to scientific questions.

<u>Science Friday</u> is a general science podcast covering subjects ranging from the farthest outreaches of space to the tiniest human microbes.





Science Journal for Kids provides scientific information for kids.



BBC iPlayer Science provides access to science and nature resources.

Resources for Music and Drama



Royal Shakespeare Company Shakespeare Learning Zone provides resources for learning about the Bard.

This website also includes information about individual plays e.g. Romeo and Juliet – includes the story, characters, language and staging in the play.

Website: https://www.rsc.org.uk/shakespeare-learning-zone/romeo-and-juliet

Old Vic Theatre's Education Hub provides resources and workshops on performing, directing, sound direction and music.





My Shakespeare includes scene summaries, videos for Shakespeare's plays.



BBC Arts Culture in Quarantine introduced during lockdown to provide access to arts and culture.



Online Pianist is an online piano tutorial.



Musicca allows you to play virtual piano, guitar or bass guitar or drum machine.



Garageband is a free app for Apple users only which allows you to create podcasts and music.



Steinberg is a website which will help your GCSE music studies.



<u>Cakewalk by Bandlab</u> claims to be industry-best audio engine and is completely free



Eduqas music link recommended for KS4 students.



Song explorer is a podcast about music and song writing.



<u>Audacity</u> provides free software for multi-track audio/sound editing.

CHROME MUSIC LAB

<u>Chrome Music Lab</u> is an interactive music site with a song maker to allow you to create and share your songs.



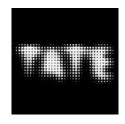
BBC Sounds is the BBC streaming media and audio download service.



Resources for Art and Photography



AQA art and photography allows you to search for art or photography resources.



<u>Tate Gallery</u> allows you to browse their four museums' collections and exhibitions.

SAATCHI GALLERY

<u>Saatchi Gallery</u> provides access to exhibitions, information on artists, and key art pieces.



National Gallery virtual tours

Victoria and Albert Museum (vam) collections online.





BBC bitesize Art and Design art information for KS3 and KS4.



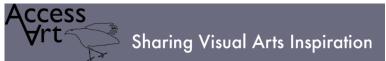
Oak National Academy search art and select your year group KS3 (Years 7-9) or KS4 (Year 10 and 11).

Crafts Council site for contemporary crafts.





BBC Arts Culture in Quarantine introduced during lockdown to provide access to arts and culture.



AccessArt provide access to art resources.



BBC iPlayer Arts access to art resources.



Gimp is a free image editor.



Photopea advanced photo editor similar to Photoshop but free to use.

Resources for Design, Technology and Computing



Technology Student provides a range of technology from KS3 and KS4.

D & T online



My dynamic

learning includes

challenges, resources, quizzes and video links. Please contact your DT teacher for login details.



the DESIGN MUSEUM

<u>Design Museum</u> collections to promote design icons, designers and design movements.

BBC bitesize for KS3 and KS4 design and technology.





OCR GCSE Product Design

BBC bitesize Art and Design information for KS3 and KS4.



How it's made channel on Youtube. **Food and nutrition**



OCR Food and Nutrition provides course specification and resources.



<u>British Nutrition Foundation</u> resources including meal planning, health living, nutritional science.



BBC Good Food with a range of recipes and information to support menu planning.





Food a fact of life looks at food, cooking and health eating and nutrition.



BBC iPlayer Food access to food and recipes.

IT and computing

it's Learning 365

Learning Gateway

Computer science resources for year 7-9

Schoolcoders for Computer Science GCSE.



Revise computer science for Computer Science GCSE.

Multiwingspan for A Level Computer Science.



Isaac computer science For A Level Computer Science.

<u>Scratch</u> download to use Scratch to create stories, games and animations.





<u>Learn Python</u> another free resource to learn Python coding language for free.

Typing learn to touch type.



<u>Simple Coding</u> by taking this two hour Open University course.

Physical Education

BBC bitesize for GCSE PE.



<u>Seneca</u> Free revision sources for all subjects including PE.



YouTube GCSE PE revision video



YouTube A level PE revision video



BBC Sport provides national sports coverage for BBC Television, radio and online.

NHS Couch to 5k gives you a choice of coaches including Jo Whiley, Sarah Millican, Sanjeev Kohli or Michael Johnson and helps you track your progress.





Seterra provides quizzes on human anatomy.

Resources for History

Google Arts & Culture

Google Arts and Culture provides coverage of historical events such as World War One and Two, The Cold War and The Holocaust.



BBC iPlayer History features BBC shows on history topics such as World War Two, slavery etc.

History Today history articles to read without subscription.





You're Dead to Me is a history podcast for people who don't like history and those who do. Greg Jenner brings together the best names in comedy and history to learn and laugh about the past.

Great Lives is a BBC biographical podcast where guests discuss someone who has inspired their life.

In our Time provides a selection of episodes from the show about the history of ideas ranging from Tutankhanum to F Scott Fitzgerald.



50 things that made the modern economy is a BBC World Service podcast about the history of business and economics.



Churchill Archive for Schools provides resources on 20th Churchill Archive for Schools
Century History ranging from Dunkirk evacuation to the Yalta Conference.

History Extra provides content from BBC History Magazine, BBC History Revealed and BBC World Histories Magazine. HistoryExtra

Resources for Geography



BBC iplayer Explore the world with Simon Reeve

BBC iplayer Planet Earth with David Attenborough

Discovering Antarctica provides information on Antarctica.





Met Office MetOffice provides information about our weather and climate.

Time for Geography provides educational geographical videos.







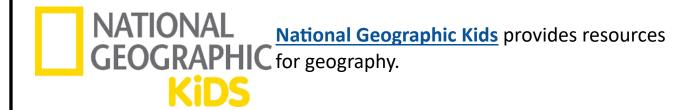
World Mapper provides access to online maps.

Ordnance Survey provides access to UK maps.





Field Studies Council Geography Fieldwork provides support for your fieldwork and investigations.



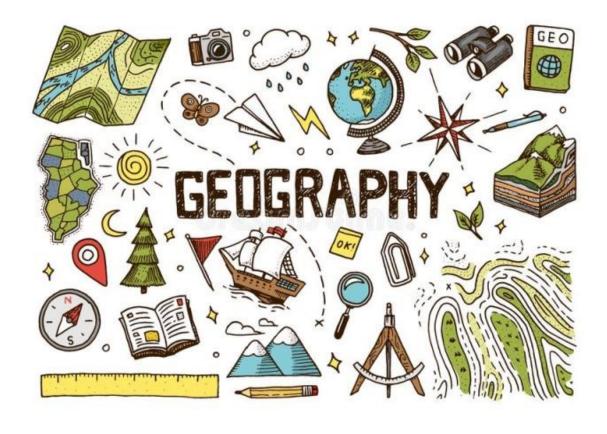
Royal Geographical Society podcast to allow you to ask the experts about the latest geographical studies.

Royal Geographical Society with IBG

Royal Geographical Society geographical resources and support.



<u>National Geographic</u> podcast conversations from explorers, photographers and scientists who work at the National Geographic magazine.



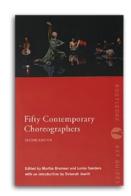
Resources for Dance

50 contemporary choreographers





Education Ghost Dances







Rooster



Swan Song





Jasmin Vardimon Company education pack video clips

Jasmin Vardimon Company trailers

Nutcracker education pack, Matthew Bourne





Zoo Nation Dance company

Resources for Psychology, Sociology, Ethics and Philosophy

All in the Mind is a BBC podcast exploring the limits and potential of the human mind.



PsyPost

PsyPost is a psychology news site reporting on the latest research on human behaviour, cognition and society.



British Psychological Society Research Digest provides information on recent studies and research.



History of Delusions is a BBC podcast where experimental psychologist Daniel Freeman explores cases of delusion.

Thinking Allowed provides research on how society works.



Starting with Psychology is a free five hour course from the Open University.

Introduction to Child
the Open University.
Introduction to Crime

Introduction to Child Psychology is a free eight hour course from

Introduction to Crime and Criminology is a free six hour course from the Open University.

Tutor2u provides online support courses for A Level Students for Psychology and Sociology.



Twitter feeds

Website: twitter.com

@ALevelSociology, @ALevelPsy, @APA @ResearchDigest, @thesociologyguy @NHS, @doctor oxford



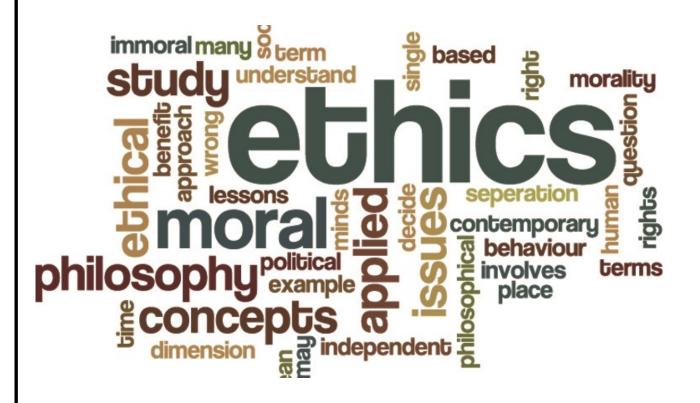
Ethics and Philosophy



In our Time: religion provides a selection of episodes from the show about religion.

In our Time: philosophy provides a selection of episodes from the show about philosophy.

Morality in the 21st Century Rabbi Lord Jonathan Sacks speaks to some of the world's leading thinkers with contributions from voices of the next generation – groups of British 6th form students.



Resources for Business



HSBC how to save money as a teenager.



Managing my money for young adults is a free course on tax, budgeting, savings credit and personal finance.

50 things that made the modern economy is a BBC World Service podcast





<u>Tutor2U</u> offers courses including business.



Resources for French



Memrise is a site for learning a new language.

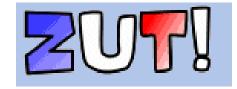
<u>Languages</u> online is an online site for learning many languages including French.





<u>Seneca</u> provides free revision sources for all subjects including French.

Zut! Is an interactive site with activities for reading, writing and listening in French..





Duolingo learn French in just 5 minutes a day!



Lingolia is an online site offering help with grammar and vocabulary