

IGCSE GLOBAL PERSPECTIVES

Websites Resource List

The aim of this list is to provide some indication as to where online resources are available to assist schools in the teaching and resourcing of IGCSE Global Perspectives.

Please note:

- Many of the sites which have been included may include resources and ideas for more than one of the areas of study.
- The content of internet websites is dynamic and constantly changing. Whilst CIE has taken appropriate steps to try to ensure the sites listed are appropriate, CIE accepts no responsibility for the content of any of the sites included in this list. Centres are strongly advised to check each site for content and accessibility prior to using with students.
- CIE will endeavour to update this list regularly and welcomes up-to-date additions and suggestions from Centres teaching IGCSE Global Perspectives.

Section A

INTRODUCTION TO ISSUES WITHIN GLOBAL PERSPECTIVES

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

This site provides reviews of 350 teaching resources for 14-16 year-olds (books, films, websites etc). UK source but global topics covered.

<http://www.teachandlearn.net/teachglobal/>

This is the Open University and the BBC World Service's free online professional development unit.

<http://www.teachernet.gov.uk/sustainableschools/upload/3772GloboDimension.pdf>

A United Kingdom government Department for Children, Schools and Families guide which offers a 12 page guide to the global dimension, identifying steps that can help develop global perspectives in a school.

http://www.qca.org.uk/libraryAssets/media/Global_Dimensions_print_friendly.pdf

A guide produced by the Qualifications and Curriculum Authority in the United Kingdom which has practical ideas on how to introduce a Global Curriculum.

<http://www.oxfam.org.uk/education>

Oxfam's education website designed for teachers in UK but with a range of material which may be suitable for international schools.

<http://www.local4global.org.uk/sites/local4global.org.uk/files/DFID-Treasury-global-partnerships.pdf> Guidance and advice on finding partner schools and developing a global dimension in school.

www.fiankoma.org

ICT collaborative project between British and Ghanaian teachers, schools and communities. This project linked schools in England and Ghana, used a variety of digital media. Includes case studies of different projects and advice on the practical work. FTP section offers method advice <http://www.fiankoma.org/ftp/method.htm>

<http://www.oxfam.org.uk/coolplanet/kidsweb/>

Oxfam's site for children including teaching resources, children's stories, fair trade information..

<http://www.oxfam.org.uk/education/resources/category.htm?5>

Oxfam school site includes resources on climate change, conflict, water, human rights

<http://www.sln.org.uk/geography/>

Staffordshire Learning Network is a geographical site with teaching suggestions, many of them tried in the classroom.

<http://www.globalgang.org.uk/>

Downloadable resources on refugees, fair trade etc.

<http://www.peopleandplanet.net/>

A range of topics e.g. population and food, climate change, food and agriculture etc

Section B

LINKING/SCHOOL PARTNERSHIPS- PROJECT WORK

Making a formal link with a partner school abroad can help in devising project work.

<http://www.rafi.ki/about.php>

Rafi.ki is free to schools outside the UK and provides a way to create international partnerships and has resources for projects. It has sections on finding a partner, the projects that schools could work on, communication tools e.g. audio and video conferencing and guidance on secure communications for students.

www.globalgateway.org

UK Department for International Development site for linking schools. Links are available with schools both inside and outside the UK.

www.ukowla.org.uk

A UK based charity helping communities make international links.

www.bbc.co.uk/worldclass/

A BBC website aimed at supporting schools who wish to make international links.

www.etwinning.net

Website for linking schools based in the European Community.

<http://www.britishcouncil.org/learning-connecting-classrooms.htm>

Advice on linking between UK and international schools. Case studies, collaborative projects and professional development.

www.soundaffects.org.uk

UK based organisation that links children across the globe through audio recordings. Two examples of Ghana and Sri Lanka linking with schools across the UK.

Section C

CURRICULUM SUPPORT

BELIEF SYSTEMS

www.amnesty.org.uk Amnesty International's website.

<http://www.un.org> United Nations website.

BIODIVERSITY AND ECOSYSTEM LOSS

<http://www.whyorganic.org> Soil Association in UK website.

www.foe.co.uk Friends of the Earth website. UK based charity website that campaigns for solutions to environmental problems.

www.plantcultures.org.uk Website demonstrating the importance of South Asian plants. Downloadable resources aimed at UK schools but could have some relevance in other contexts.

http://www.wwf.org.uk/what_we_do/safeguarding_the_natural_world/index.cfm World Wildlife Fund website. Identifies threats to natural world and campaigns against damage to the natural world. Schools section offers resources and ideas.

<http://www.nhm.ac.uk/nature-online/biodiversity/> UK Natural History Museum biodiversity site. Information about what biodiversity is and how to measure it. Some UK focused information but also general information for students in an international setting.

CLIMATE CHANGE

<http://www.yourclimateyourlife.org.uk/> Royal Geographical Society (based in London) website to highlight the issues of climate change for young people.

www.foe.co.uk Friends of the Earth website. See above.

http://www.cat.org.uk/education/ed_content.tpl?subdir=education&sku=ED_50 Centre for Alternative Technology in Wales, United Kingdom. A centre dedicated to promoting alternative technology for energy, building, food production etc and a greener lifestyle.

www.coolkidsforacoolclimate.com Student-centred website offering information on climate change.

www.carbontrust.co.uk/publications Free energy saving guides available for download.

www.epa.gov/globalwarming/kids/index.html United States Government Environmental Protection Agency site for children with information on climate change and resources for teachers.

CONFLICT AND PEACE

www.amnesty.org.uk Amnesty International.

<http://www.everyhumanhasrights.org/> Website promoting human rights with case studies where human rights are under threat.

www.oneworld.net News from over 1600 human rights websites.

www.landmines.org.uk A charity that helps to remove land mines that threaten communities around the world.

<http://www.un.org> United Nations website.

DISEASE AND HEALTH

http://www.bbc.co.uk/scotland/education/int/geog/health/development/social/life_expectancy/index.shtml World life expectancy information.

<http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/health/4850986.stm> Example of UK variations in infant mortality.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/scotland/education/int/geog/health/health/index.shtml> A resource with an interactive map to look at cholera, cancer, malaria and coronary heart disease.

<http://www.who.int/dietphysicalactivity/publications/facts/obesity/en/> World Health Organization (WHO) site on obesity.

http://www.who.int/features/2005/chronic_diseases/en/ Malri's story: facing obesity (Kenya). Chronic disease site from the WHO.

http://www.who.int/topics/child_health/en/index.html WHO Child health site.

<http://www.who.int/dietphysicalactivity/en/index.html> WHO diet and physical activity campaign.

<http://www.prb.org/Publications/Datasheets/2007/2007WorldPopulationDataSheet.aspx> Population Research Bureau statistics including report on malnutrition.

<http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/world/americas/7018057.stm> Article about a young American boy who died through lack of access to health care.

<http://www.census.gov/ipc/www/idb/> A site for producing country scale population pyramids for present and future.

http://www.census.gov/main/www/stat_int.html A gateway into all national statistics sites.

<http://www.prb.org/Articles/2007/OctDCPBlurb.aspx> A brief site with links to the debate on elderly populations.

<http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/health/4756650.stm> A BBC report on encouraging a healthy lifestyle.

<http://www.independent.co.uk/news/europe/stark-warning-on-childhood-obesity-problem-468833.html> The independent newspaper UK. Article on adopting a healthy lifestyle.

<http://www.netdoctor.co.uk/teenagehealth/index.shtml> A general site with information about teenage health.

<http://www.youthhealthtalk.org/> Real life case studies of teenage health issues. Local help lines e.g. school nurse, health clinics, Samaritans.

<http://www.dpi.org/> Disabled Peoples' International – an organisation that promotes rights of disabled people worldwide.

www.unicef.org UNICEF main website.

www.childinfo.org a UNICEF site focused on child welfare.

www.wethepeoples.org.uk A DVD of 9 films which support the UN Millennium Development Goals.

www.actionaid.org International charity website with national site links.

www.sightsavers.org International charity aimed at supporting those with sight difficulties.

EDUCATION FOR ALL

www.wethepeoples.org.uk A DVD of 9 films which support the UN Millennium Development Goals.

<http://www.un.org> United Nations website.

EMPLOYMENT

www.oxfam.org.uk/coolplanet

<http://www.rgs.org/HomePage.htm> Royal Geographical Society website with suggestions and links.

www.globaleye.org.uk Teaching resources.

www.actionaid.org International charity website with national site links. Includes resources, some free to download.

<http://www.ilo.org/public/english/employment/strat/download/get08.pdf> Global employment trends 2008.

FAMILY AND DEMOGRAPHIC CHANGE

http://www.bbc.co.uk/worldservice/sci_tech/features/essentialguide/theme_fam.shtml
BBC World Service web link-population and family structure change. 2 pod casts - one on global demographic change and one on changing family structure.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Demographic_transition#Stage_Two Summary of the Demographic Transition Model.

<http://geographyfieldwork.com/DemographicTransition.htm> Demographic Transition model.

<http://www.census.gov/ipc/www/idb/>
US government census site. Information on countries around the world and population pyramids.

www.refugeecouncil.org.uk UK based support for refugees.

www.unhcr.org.uk United Nations High commission for Refugees.

www.childinfo.org Part of the UNICEF sites – includes statistical details.

FUEL AND ENERGY (see also CLIMATE CHANGE above)

www.foe.co.uk Friends of the Earth website.

www.cat.org.uk Centre for Alternative Technology.

<http://www.yourclimateyourlife.org.uk/>

www.carbontrust.co.uk/publications Free energy saving guides available for download.

HUMANS AND OTHER SPECIES

<http://www.peopleandplanet.net/> A range of topics e.g. population and food, climate change, food and agriculture.

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LAW AND CRIMINALITY

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TECHNOLOGY AND THE ECONOMIC DIVIDE

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TRADE AND AID

www.fairtrade.org.uk Website of the Fair-trade Foundation.

www.dubble.co.uk Pioneering fair trade chocolate.

www.ethicalconsumer.org Information for consumers on how to buy ethically-sourced goods.

TRADITION, CULTURE AND CHANGE

www.unicef.org

www.diversityanddialogue.org.uk An organisation that aims to build relationships between different communities in the UK.

www.movinghere.org.uk Stories of journeys to Britain in the last 200 years.

URBANISATION

www.foe.co.uk Friends of the Earth website.

www.earthfromtheair.com Some aerial photos of urban areas.

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www.globaleye.org.uk Includes teaching resources.

<http://www.sln.org.uk/geography/> Staffordshire Learning Network is a geographical site with teaching suggestions, many of them tried in the classroom

www.geographyinthenews.rgs.org Up-to-date articles about geographical issues. Registration required for full use.

WATER

www.wateraid.org International website with country specific pages.

www.nrdc.org/water American website. National Resource Defence Council working towards protection of natural resources.

http://www.oxfam.org.uk/education/resources/water_for_all/ An online resource for students about water.

<http://www.waternet.be/> A website setup to look at the geopolitics of water in the Middle East.