

HISTORY OF THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE RESOURCES

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USEFUL INFORMATION ON MANY PERIODS

1. English Language History Online Resources
<http://pages.towson.edu/duncan/hellinks.html>
2. A History of the English Language: Home Page
<http://www.historyofenglish.net/>
3. English Language Timeline
<http://www.bl.uk/learning/langlit/changlang/across/language/timeline.html>
4. Dictionaries and Meanings
<http://www.bl.uk/learning/langlit/dic/meanings.html>
5. Words for Time Travelers
<http://www.bl.uk/learning/langlit/changlang/activities/lang/timewords.html>

OLD ENGLISH (500-1100 AD)

1. School Wikipedia: Old English
http://schools-wikipedia.org/wp/o/Old_English.htm
2. Old English
<http://pages.towson.edu/duncan/475home.html>
3. Intro. to Old English & the Anglo-Saxon
<http://www.wmich.edu/medieval/resources/IOE/genintro.html>
4. Celtic language (Gaelic)
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Celtic_language
5. Beowulf
<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Beowulf>

THE NORMAN CONQUEST AND MIDDLE ENGLISH (1100-1500)

1. School Wikipedia: Norman Conquest of England
http://schools-wikipedia.org/wp/n/Norman_conquest_of_England.htm

2. Wikipedia: Middle English
<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Anglo-Norman>
3. Middle English: An Overview
<http://public.oed.com/aspects-of-english/english-in-time/middle-english-an-overview/>
4. The Prologue to Chaucer's Canterbury Tales: Middle English and Modern English (Click on links below "General Prologue" on left side of the page.)
<http://www.librarius.com/canttran/gptrfs.htm>

EARLY MODERN ENGLISH (1500-1800)

1. The Great Vowel Shift
<http://courses.fas.harvard.edu/~chaucer/vowels.html>
2. Common Words and Phrases from Shakespeare
<http://www.shakespeare-online.com/biography/wordsinvented.html>
3. English in Time (scroll down to 1500-1700)
<http://public.oed.com/aspects-of-english/english-in-time/>
4. William Caxton and the Printing Press in English
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/William_Caxton

LATE MODERN ENGLISH (1800-PRESENT)

1. Turns of Phrase
<http://www.worldwidewords.org/turnsofphrase/index.htm>
2. The Effects of the Industrial Revolution on English
<http://www.victorianweb.org/history/language/courtney1.html>
3. Internet Neologisms
<http://www.matisse.net/files/glossary.html>
4. Words of Hindi or Urdu Origin in English
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_English_words_of_Hindi_or_Urdu_origin

AMERICAN ENGLISH AND OTHER VARIETIES

1. Wikipedia for Schools: American English (SCROLL DOWN TO FIND THE INFORMATION YOU NEED.) Click on "Language and Literature." Click on "Languages." Click on "American English."
<http://schools-wikipedia.org/>
2. African American Vernacular English-search it
of American English
<http://www.businessinsider.com/22-maps-that-show-the-deepest-linguistic-conflicts-in-america-2013-6?op=1>
4. Dialects of American English
<http://www.evolpub.com/Americandialects/AmDialLnX.html>
5. Varieties of American English
<http://www.pbs.org/speak/seatosea/americanvarieties/>
6. Do you speak American? A dialect quiz (audio)
<http://www.pbs.org/speak/seatosea/americanvarieties/map/map.html>

THE INFLUENCE OF SPANISH ON AMERICAN ENGLISH

1. Spanish Roots: Why American English Is American (Pt. 2)
http://www.istudentcity.com/feature/101000_talk_spanish.asp
2. List of English Words of Spanish Origin
Search it!
3. Spanish Influence on English Began Earlier than We Thought
<http://voxxi.com/2013/04/30/spanish-influence-over-english/>
4. Spanish Influence on American English
<http://www15.uta.fi/FAST/US1/SPAN/span.html>

ENGLISH AS A GLOBAL LANGUAGE

1. School Wikipedia: English Language (SCROLL DOWN TO THE SECTION TITLED: "English as a global language")

http://schools-wikipedia.org/wp/e/English_language.htm

2. Lingua franca

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lingua_franca

3. English Travels across Cultures

[http://www.nytimes.com/2007/04/09/world/asia/09iht-
englede.1.5198685.html?pagewanted=all](http://www.nytimes.com/2007/04/09/world/asia/09iht-
englede.1.5198685.html?pagewanted=all)

4. English is the Language of Global Business

[http://www.forbes.com/sites/dorieclark/2012/10/26/english-
language-of-global-business/](http://www.forbes.com/sites/dorieclark/2012/10/26/english-
language-of-global-business/) [the-](#)

5. Is English or Mandarin the Language of the Future?

<http://www.bbc.com/news/magazine-17105569>

VARIETIES OF ENGLISH AROUND THE WORLD

1. List of Dialects of the English Language

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_dialects_of_the_English_langu
age](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_dialects_of_the_English_langu
age)

2. British English

3. Canadian English

4. Australian English

5. Indian English

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Indian_English