

Resources for Pre-Service Candidates: October, 2014

Join your Professional Organization!

- American Library Association: <http://www.ala.org/>
 - ALSC Division : <http://www.ala.org/alsc/> (Major awards/notable lists)
- International Reading Association: <http://www.reading.org/> (Reading lists: Children's Choices Lists - co-sponsor CBC)
- National Council for the Social Studies: <http://www.socialstudies.org/> (Notable Trade Books for Young People)
- National Science Teachers Association: <http://www.nsta.org/> (Outstanding Science Trade Books for Students K-12)
- National Council of Teachers of English: <http://www.ncte.org/>
 - Orbis Pictus Award: <http://www.ncte.org/awards/orbispictus>
- National Council of Teachers of Mathematics: <http://www.nctm.org/>

ERL Services:

Children's/YA books

Selected Professional Journals, Books and Reference materials

Technology - cameras (video & still), tripods, voice recorders, iPads, SMART Board & more

Computer stations and works spaces, lamination, book binder, Ellison dies

Reference assistance

A Selection of Reference Tools for selecting good books for kids

ERL Call #s

100 Best Books for Children. (Anita Silvey)	Ref. Z1037.S575
A to Zoo.....	Ref. Z1037.L715
Best Books for Children.....	Ref. Z1037.G48
Books Kids Will Sit Still For, A Read-Aloud Guide 3	Ref. Z1037.F847
Bridges to Understanding: Envisioning the World Through Children's Books	Ref. PN1009.A1.B766
Children's Literature Dictionary	Ref. PN1008.5.L38
Fantasy Literature for Children and Young Adults.....	Ref. Z1037.L97
Graphic Novels in Your School Library	Ref. PN6710.K28
Popular Series Fiction for K-6 Readers	Ref. Z1037.T4654
The Read-Aloud Handbook (Jim Trelease)	Ref. LB1573.5.T68

ERL Web Page:

ERL subscribes to databases which index books for youth, provide reviews, bibliographies, lessons and activities which support use of youth literature across the curriculum. The button on our homepage leads to links and descriptions of *Children's Literature Comprehensive Database (CLCD)*, *Horn Book Guide*, & *Novelist*.



CLCD indexes **both fiction and non-fiction** as well as some professional materials. A complete list of reviewers can be found on the site, and they include Booklist, VOYA, BCCB, CCBC.

HORNBOOK GUIDE includes short, critical reviews of hardcover trade books for youth published in the US. (We also have the print version of Hornbook Guide in the Reference section.)

TEACHINGBOOKS.NET is a subscription database which offers a wealth of suggestions about how to use books in the classroom, storytime ideas, interviews with authors and illustrators, and much more. One great feature is a set of recordings of authors/illustrators pronouncing their names for us. The link for *Teachingbooks.net* can be found in the left-hand menu on the ERL homepage. (<http://www.teachingbooks.net/>)

NOVELIST PLUS - Indexes **K-8 fiction and nonfiction titles**, and provides reviews from reliable sources including SLJ. They suggest read-alikes for titles and authors, provide lexile information, and group selections into genres and age-ranges for searching.

*Remember – we may or may not own all of the books that are mentioned in these databases. You will need to search the ERL catalog to see if they are available. If you are off-campus, you will be asked to log on with your Net ID and password.

Resource Links:

Bibliographies – Created by ERL staff, listing books available in the ERL on a range of topics across disciplines

Curriculum Resources: <http://www.oakland.edu/erl/curriculumlinks>

Links to individual pages of educational and professional resources, organized by subject area. General pages include links to professional organizations, lesson plan sites, and other cross-curricular resources

Children's/YA Literature.

There are a number of open-source and professional sites which recommend and offer suggestions for finding and using notable and award-winning children's literature, and selecting books by interest or reading level.

Library Catalog – Searching for Books

Navigate to page from ERL Homepage or OU Home page or <http://library.oakland.edu/>

Basic Search – must be exactly as found in the field (i.e Author last name first, Title words in order)

Advanced Search: searches for keywords within each field or in the whole record; flexible w/more limit options

Searches: by fields

- Keyword: searches complete record for your term – all fields
- Authors or Illustrators: Last name, First
- Titles: Drop *a*, *and* or *the* at the beginning of titles
- Subjects: only official library of Congress subject headings will be recognized in this field. If you do not find results doing a subject search, try a keyword search instead, then browse the hits for an appropriate selection – open the record for your selection to see which LC subject headings are used.

Example: searching for *bugs* as a subject will yield no hits; a search for bugs as a keyword yields many hits – opening a record shows that LC uses *insects* instead of *bugs*. Click on this hotlinked subject heading to find other books about insects.

Refine your search:

Select from menu – *all of these, any of these, as a phrase*

Limit to ERL

Sort your results by date, author, title, etc.

Special Searches:

Diversity Collection: Keyword search this phrase and add Hispanic American; Native American; disability, etc.

Award Books: See link on our home page - search by the award (Caldecott, Pura Belpre, Orbis Pictus, etc)

Starred Reviews: Listed in Starred Review Database link on ERL homepage, and spine stickers on books