

Four Ways to Reach Out to ESL Students

Collection Development

Web Junction @ www.webjunction.org. Click on resources in the middle of the home page, scroll down to Patron Services and click on Services for Spanish Speakers, scroll down to Management for Outreach and click on Collection Development.

Websites

Longman Online Dictionary @ www.ldoceonline.com

English dictionary that explains academic vocabulary in simple language.

Encyclopedia in ten languages @ www.wikipedia.org

International Children's Digital Library @ www.icdlbooks.org Picture books to read online in different languages and from different countries.

StoryPlace: La Biblioteca Digital

www.storyplace.org/sp/storyplace.asp

Online stories in Spanish and English for preschoolers through elementary.

Signs

Library signs and computer instructions in Spanish

@ www.webjunction.org Click on Resources, scroll down to Patron Services and click on Services for Spanish Speakers, scroll down to Management for Outreach and click on Library Signage.

Families

Raising Children in a New Country: an Illustrated Handbook @ www.brycs.org Free Handbook for newcomer families.

Keep Books and Libritos Mios @ www.keepbooks.org: Promoting reading and home/school literacy connections. Quality books for 25 cents each that students can take home and keep.

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