

MES-English by Blanca Osorio-Castillo

MES English is a website filled with resources for English language learners and teachers. According to this site, "all of the resources are designed to be useful across a broad spectrum of ages and levels." You can find flashcards, worksheets and handouts, videos as well as ESL printable and online games.

Cost and Access

MES English is free resource. It is accessible through any browser. Although, games and videos are flash based and cannot be accessed on iOS devices.

Designer

MES stands for Mighty Education Systems; a network of sites for teachers. There is not much information about who the site designer is. All the concerns, and questions are directed to Mark Cox, who seems to be the site designer. He can be contacted on the website, via email, public forums or his Facebook page.

Privacy and Terms of use

The MES-English privacy policy describes what personal information is collected and used by this site as well as the websites within the MES Network. You are not required to login or to create an account. Their policy states that the information tracked by this site cannot identify specific visitors, and it's only used for web maintenance purposes.

It also has some information about the advertising partners and changing browser settings in case of users' privacy concerns.

This website is meant for teachers. Therefore, educators using this site are responsible for obtaining their students parental permissions.

Ease of Use

MES-English is an easy website to navigate. Its design might seem a little bit too busy for first time visitors, especially for the amount of text and advertisement, but once you take a second look it is very straightforward.

Right at the top of the page you can find the different tools and resources.

Once you click on one of them, you will be able to easily find what you need. It may take you a few minutes to explore the variety of resources, but you won't need a tutorial to learn how navigate and access the MES-English tools. Questions can be asked in the site forums or emailed to their contact person.

Accessibility and Impact on Student Learning

The resources on this site are designed to support learning and acquisition of the English language. Its activities are accessible for many students. The combination of audio and video, interactive games, listening exercises, flashcards, and handouts with translation in more than five different languages, are some of the ways learners can access these materials. The variety of modalities in which the learning material is portrayed reflects many of the Universal Design for Learning (UDL) Guidelines.

Workflow

Everyone with the link can access this website. Teachers and learners can share specific resources by clicking on the sharing options at the top of the page. Once you find an activity, let's say a game that you want to share, you can easily do that by just accessing one of the sharing options. Many of the resources are also printable and learners can access games and other resources at any time.

This is certainly a great resource for English teachers and English language learners!