



# Quick Reference Guide to Finding Creative Commons Material

## for Teachers and Students

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You can find this and other Creative Commons fact sheets at <http://www.smartcopying.edu.au/scw/go/pid/956>. For further information contact Creative Commons Australia at [info@creativecommons.org.au](mailto:info@creativecommons.org.au).

### Information about Creative Commons

- <http://www.creativecommons.org> – CC international site
- <http://www.creativecommons.org.au> – CC Australia site
- <http://www.icommons.org> – iCommons – CC-founded open source community
- [http://wiki.creativecommons.org/Content\\_Curators](http://wiki.creativecommons.org/Content_Curators) – List of sites which host CC-licensed material

### Search tools for finding Creative Commons and open access resources

These sites have material which is searchable by how they can be used, including whether they are under a Creative Commons licence:

- <http://search.creativecommons.org/> - main CC search engines
- <http://unlockingip.org/au/> - search engine for Australian open content material
- [http://www.google.com.au/advanced\\_search](http://www.google.com.au/advanced_search) – Google advanced-search allows you to search for material based on its “usage rights”
- <http://search.yahoo.com/web/advanced> – yahoo advanced-search allows you to search for CC licensed material only
- <http://www.flickr.com/creativecommons/> - allows you to search the Flickr photo archive for CC material



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- <http://blip.tv/posts/> - video site that allows you to search based on licence
- <http://www.mozilla.com/en-US/firefox/> - internet browser with a built in CC search function
- <http://www.owlmm.com/> - Owl offers a next generation music discovery engine which compares your favourite songs to thousands of others to find similar songs, all of which are CC licensed

## **Web resources where all material is CC licensed or open access**

### ***Text***

- <http://wiki.creativecommons.org/Books> - CC wiki listing notable CC licensed books
- <http://freewords.org/freepress/> - an artistic project which releases an eclectic mix of writing under CC licensing
- <http://www.austlii.edu.au/> - collection of Australian state and federal legislation, case law and journals. AustLII participates in the [free access to law](#) movement.

### ***Images***

- <http://www.geograph.org.uk/> - photographs of the British Isles all under CC licences
- <http://openphoto.net/> - a moderated photo community with over 3000 CC licensed photos in various categories

### ***Sound***

- <http://ccmixter.org> - CC sound remix tool and archive
- <http://www.opsound.com> - CC music archive
- <http://www.magnatune.com> - CC record label
- <http://jamendo.org> - CC music distribution site
- <http://freesound.iua.upf.edu/> - collaborative database of CC licensed sounds
- <http://cchits.org/> - collaborative podcast where users can contribute, find, and share music under CC licences
- <http://www.artistserver.com/> - music community
- <http://soundtransit.nl/> - archive of "field recordings" from various locations around the world published under a CC Attribution licence

### ***Video***

- <http://wiki.creativecommons.org/Film> - CC wiki listing notable CC licensed films.
- <http://www.revver.com> - advertising supported CC video site
- <http://elephantsdream.org> - Elephants Dream, open source film
- <http://www.overmundo.com.br/overblog/cafune-na-rede> - Cafune, feature-length CC film
- <http://www.oddjobjack.com/freejack.php> - Master flash files and bitmaps of every piece of art used in the Odd Job Jack cartoon, available under a CC licence.

### ***Collections***

- <http://ocw.mit.edu/index.html> - provides free, searchable, access to MIT's course materials for educators, students, and self-learners around the world.

- <http://www.opendoar.org/> - a directory of open access academic repositories, featuring collections such as:
  - <http://www.tlrp.org/> - the Teaching and Learning Research Programme supports and develops the UK's educational research to improve outcomes for learners of all ages.
  - <http://www.hsdvl.org/> - the Harvard-Smithsonian Centre for Astrophysics, has built an extensive collection of digital video materials supporting science, technology, engineering, and mathematics education reform.
- <http://www.overmundo.com.br/banco/banco.php> - Overmundo Banco de Cultura - Brazilian multi-format CC archive (in Portuguese, but you can view the licences in English).

## **Other**

- <http://www.berkleeshares.com/> - provides music lessons in text, audio and video format under CC licence.

## **Web resources where some material is CC licensed or open access Images**

- <http://www.flickr.com> – online photo album – CC licensed material can be accessed via the main site, or through a dedicated portal at <http://www.flickr.com/creativecommons>
- <http://www.pictureaustralia.org> – Australian themed images, some of which are CC licensed. Includes the following Flickr groups:
  - People, places and events - <http://www.flickr.com/groups/83633840@N00/>
  - Australia Day - <http://www.flickr.com/groups/69431001@N00/>

## **Video**

- <http://www.blip.tv> – free video distribution site

## **Other**

- <http://www.archive.org/> - The Internet Archive is an internet library, hosting thousands of CC-licensed and Public Domain video, audio, and text items.
- <http://secondlife.com> – Second Life, a resident built virtual world, which allows open licensing for content created in the world
- <http://www.remixreading.org/> - Remix Commons is a network of free culture projects in the UK
- <http://openclipart.org> - Open Clip Art Library
- <http://www.lightandmatter.com/> - The Light and Matter series of introductory physics textbooks is available for free under a CC licence.

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