UK education providers are helping teachers, parents and students respond to the impact of Covid-19 worldwide

The UK education sector is responding to COVID-19 by offering free or discounted resources for students, schools, universities and training providers.

Schools/Parents

- The **British Educational Suppliers Association**, with the support of the UK Department for Education, has developed the LendED website (www.lended.org.uk) to help schools get the most out of their existing resources, and provide teachers with easy-to-use home learning materials. You can search resources from trusted suppliers, read teacher reviews and request free access during school closures. This site includes over 200 UK companies.
- **Cambridge Assessment International Education** is making free resources available to help schools deliver effective learning outside the classroom here. (www.cambridgeinternational.org/support-and-training-for-schools/teaching-and-learning-when-school-is-closed/)
- **Oxford University Press** are offering free access to their education platforms here for an extended period and are committed to supporting teachers through professional development training that can be accessed anytime, as well as offering teaching support for through Oxford Owl here. Websites (https://global.oup.com/education/support-learning-anywhere) and (https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/about-oxford-owl-for-school)
- **Pearson** is providing access to expert faculty, best practices, and other online learning resources for people who are studying, teaching or working remotely. They are regularly updating their site which includes K12 resources. (www.pearson.com/news-and-research/working-learning-online-during-pandemic.html)
- **Twinkl** has created home learning and school closure packs and made them available for free, including content tailored to specific markets. Content is available on LinkedIn & Twitter for sharing. (www.twinkl.co.uk/resources/covid19-school-closures)
- **Twig Education** is offering free access to schools and ministries of education of its k-12 STEM resources here. (www.go.twigeducation.com/covid19?utm_source=twigeducation&utm_medium=redirect&utm_campaign=covid-19)
- **GetMyGrades** helps students to keep track of progress, and is allowing schools affected by Covid-19 to use its platform for free. (www.getmygrades.co.uk/schools_home/coronavirus/)
- **Century Tech** creates personalised learning pathways for students and powerful data for teachers to ensure that every child gets tailored, high quality education. They are offering free maths, English and science resources here. (www.century.tech).
- **Mangahigh** is offering full and free access to Mangahigh for distance learning maths to schools closed due to COVID-19. Website is here. (https://www.mangahigh.com/en-gb/blog/2020-03-06-free-access-schools-online-maths-coronavirus)
- **Your Favourite Teachers** is offering free access to their online GCSE platform to ensure students are able to continue their studies and revision uninterrupted. Website is here. (https://yourfavouriteteacher.com/schools-affected-by-coronvirus/)
- **My Online Schooling** provides a full-time British education online to all children of school age. My Online Schooling offering a variety of free learning resources here. https://myonlineschooling.co.uk/free-homeschooling-resources/

- **2Simple** provides excellent, accessible and inspiring software to encourage children to love learning and prepare them for later life. 2Simple are offering free access to both Purple Mash and Serial Mash for schools and home users here. (https://2simple.com/)
- **Firefly** provides a modern learning experience platform. They are providing are giving free access to their platform to schools in need until the end of next term and have best practices webinars to show how to implement distance learning. Website is here. (https://fireflylearning.com/)
- **Classoos** is offering 90-day free digital textbooks to international schools following the British Curriculum. Website is here. (www.classoos.com)
- **Innovate My School** showcases exciting new practices and products by teachers and education suppliers. It includes a search engine for finding the best education technology on the market, including home learning and COVID-19 filters, of 1200 products. There are over 400 COVID-19 offers. Website is here. (https://edtechimpact.com/)

Universities
- **FutureLearn** is a digital education platform offering short courses, programs and online degrees. There are over 1300 courses available for free. New courses include COVID-19 Diagnostics and Testing. Website is here. (www.futurelearn.com/)
- **Pearson** is providing access to expert faculty, best practices, and other online learning resources for people who are studying, teaching or working remotely. They are regularly updating their site which includes HE resources. (www.pearson.com/news-and-research/working-learning-online-during-pandemic.html)
- **Oxford University Press** is offering free access to Epigeum's award-winning online training courses. The courses support higher education institutions to deliver training in key areas including teaching online, blended learning and university teaching. Website is here. (https://www.epigeum.com/epigeum-insights/news/moving-to-online-teaching-in-response-to-the-coronavirus-covid-19-free-access-to-epigeum-resources-that-may-help/)
- **Cambridge University Press** are providing free Access to Reference works and Academic Textbooks on Cambridge Core to university libraries and their associated students and faculty. Website is here. (https://www.cambridge.org/gb/academic/covid-19-resources-and-information)
- **Kortext** has a Free Student eTextbook Programme, is making free textbook content available from a host of publishers, in partnership with JISC and Microsoft. Over 120 UK universities signed up and the programme is open to universities worldwide providing textbooks that are relevant to the course being undertaken by the students. Website is here. (www.kortext.com).
- **The Open University** has seen a huge spike in visitors to its free online learning platform OpenLearn to access its health, wellbeing and educational content in a time of huge societal need. The popular online site is The Open University's home of free learning, offering a chance for anyone to explore relevant topics, from teaching online and courses designed to aid mental and physical health, to family friendly interactives, animations and quizzes, providing thousands of pages of content to help you cope with the effects of Coronavirus and the impact it is having across society. There are more than 950 courses available , offering 15,000 hours of free learning, with content suitable for anyone aged 13 plus. Website is here. (www.open.edu/openlearn/free-courses/full-catalogue)
- **The University of London** are one of the largest, most diverse universities in the UK with over 120,000 students in London, and a further 50,000 studying across 190 countries for a University of London degree. Free courses from the University of London are available here. (https://www.coursera.org/london) The University of London is also part of this initiative from Coursera helping to take student learning online in response to coronavirus: https://www.coursera.org/coronavirus
- **Edinburgh Napier University** have made available an online course in Understanding Data in the Tourism Industry through the FutureLearn platform. In this course, learners will explore how data can be used to address business concerns and learn what data can reveal about customer

behaviour and how this can help their business' success. The course will introduce simple tools and technical support to help users introduce data practices in their own business.

- **The University of Liverpool** was one of the first UK Universities to offer degrees online and is recognised as [a leader in online postgraduate education](#) and has now made a range of learning and teaching resources available for the wider higher education community. They are published under a creative commons license and should please be attributed to the University of Liverpool. The University of Liverpool Centre for Innovation in Education have made available [a suite of resources](#) related to curriculum design plus videos and case studies on using Teams for learning and teaching. While colleagues from The University of Liverpool Leadership, Organisational, Professional and Academic Development Academy (The Academy) have started [a podcast in which they share their own stories](#) and offer insight into their journey through the sharing of experiences, achievements and expertise.

- **Jisc** are working with university libraries to ensure access to key digital resources for teaching, learning and research. As outlined in [this blog](#), Jisc is working with sector bodies to find ways to support the essential services run by libraries and have already removed subscription requirements to their own content services. Jisc are also cataloguing details of publishers and content repositories who are widening access to their resources in various ways, with the list available [here](#). Please contact international@jisc.ac.uk for assistance accessing any of the resources listed at the link.

- **The University of Edinburgh** offers a range of [free online short courses](#) that can be a valuable resource for academic skills and personal development. Explore the University's free short online courses which are available to all. In response to the pandemic the University has created a set of free online resources [COVID-19 Critical Care: Understanding and Application](#) for healthcare professionals working in a critical care setting. These materials offer support caring for patients and around physical and mental wellbeing of healthcare staff.

- **Coventry University** have a library of short courses available online for free on the FutureLearn platform. In response to the COVID-19 outbreak, Coventry have collated three short courses to help individuals adapt and make the most of their stay at home during this challenging time. The 'Thrive at Home' courses focus on work-life balance, mental health and motivation. Please find the short course [here](#). (https://www.futurelearn.com/partners/coventry)

- Vocational and technical training
- **Pearson** offer a wide range of vocation and technical on-line learning, including work-based learning. Much of their in-class training has been switched on-line. Their training hub makes it easy to find and book events here (https://qualifications.pearson.com/content/demo/en/support/training-from-pearson-uk.html) or navigate to your local site from here (https://www.pearson.com/en-gb.html)
- **The National Skills Academy Food and Drink** are the industry experts on skills for the food and drink industry and have a range of programmes available through their Online Academy. Their e-learning is available in areas such as compliance (Food Safety, Health & Safety), technical (allergen awareness, IOSH), personal development, IT and management and leadership. Website is here. (https://nsafd.co.uk/online-learning)
- **The Skills Network** is a leading provider of distance learning qualifications with over 1 million users on the learning platform and over 40 UK Accredited qualifications and 100 CPD certified online courses. Courses include infection control and health and social care. Website is here. (www.theskillsnetwork.com/learners/courses)

COVID-19 training
- **Health Education England** has launched online e-Learning for Health content to support the upskilling of health workers in relation to COVID19. This content is free. The guidance can be found here (www.e-lfh.org.uk/programmes/coronavirus/) and will be updated and expanded over the coming weeks.
- **Skills for Health** is the leading provider for healthcare e-learning across the UK health sector, has developed a free Covid-19 Awareness resource. Skills for Health is also offering the Core Skills Training e-learning bundle at a heavily discounted rate; this includes Infection Prevention & Control, basic life support, Safeguarding and more. Website here. (www.skillsplatform.org)
- **Kineo** are e-learning specialists and have developed e-learning courses to support people with the management of Covid-19 as they come to terms with new ways of working. These are available for free. Website is here. (www.cityandguilds.com/covid-19/emergency-learner-support)
- **Highfield Learning,** a leading provider of technical e-learning and offers training in food safety, manual handling, health and safety, fire safety, spectator safety, customer service, first aid at work, plus a range of standard workplace awareness programmes. They are offering free training in infection prevention and control, accessed through their website. (www.highfieldelearning.com/courses)

English Language Training
- **Macmillan Education** is a global publisher that is operating in over 120 countries worldwide. They are making our digital components and resources available for free for both Teachers and Learners. Website is here. (https://www.macmillanenglish.com/distance-teaching-and-learning-hub/home)
- **Oxford University Press** have created home learning guidance including links to blogs, course related content suitable for distance learning, and professional development content, alongside course material to maximise home-based learning. Website is here. (https://elt.oup.com/feature/global/learnathome/?cc=gb&selLanguage=en)
- **Pearson** are offering webinars on distance teaching and learning, and free 60-day access to their Digital Citizenship Online course providing professional development for teachers in an online environment. Website is here. (www.pearson.com/english/professional-development/covid19.html)
- **LanguageCert** is offering additional slots to accommodate candidates who wish to take their English language certification exams with remote invigilation. More information is here. (www.languagecert.org/discover-languagecert/news-and-events/COVID19-Information)
- **EF English Live** offer English courses including live classes and interactive lessons online. They are offering a 14-day free trial. Website is here. (https://englishlive.ef.com)

- **British Council** has an extensive range of free online resources for learners and teachers of English. The world's English teaching experts have something for kids, teenagers and adults at all levels of English – and for teachers too! Website is here. (www.britishcouncil.org/english/learn-online)
- **Cambridge Assessment English** have lots of free online activities to help teenagers and adults practise their English. Website is here. (www.cambridgeenglish.org/learning-english)
- **Nile** is a world-leading centre of excellence, offering training and development from initial qualifications to Masters, both face-to-face and online. A new course 'Take your Teaching Online' is being offered for free. Website is here. (www.nile-elt.com)
- **East Sussex College** is offering an Online English Language classes with flexible hours and small class size. There are General English, IELTS and Cambridge exam options. Website is here. (www.escg.ac.uk/study/international)
- **InTuition** provides personalised 1 to 1 English Language Courses including English online. This includes a 30-minute trial lesson. Website is here. (www.intuitionlang.com)
- **ELT Jam** help clients through every stage in designing a successful learning experience and at present have a focus on adapting in-person courses and training for online delivery as quickly as possible. Website is here. (https://learnjam.com/)