

# ONLINE RESOURCES TO SUPPORT YOUR LEARNING



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## FIREFLY RESOURCES:

Access to Firefly is available in school and at home:

<https://northwoodcollege.fireflycloud.net/library>

To help with homework and research, we subscribe to the following online resources:

## SENIOR SCHOOL:

### The Day:

*The Day* is aimed at schools and colleges to help explain current affairs in short articles written and illustrated by The Day staff writers and graphic artists; to be a serious briefing service for everyone, to pick out the underlying issues that are shaping the world; and to help readers ask good questions rather than believe they have the answers.

Access from home: [theday.co.uk/?token=3dfc11fdadea7b2fca4d3db966061021](http://theday.co.uk/?token=3dfc11fdadea7b2fca4d3db966061021)

### Encyclopaedia Britannica Online:

Firefly page: <https://northwoodcollege.fireflycloud.net/library/online-resources/encyclopaedia-britannica>

<https://school.eb.co.uk/levels/intermediate> - Ages 10 - 14

<https://school.eb.co.uk/levels/advanced> - Ages 14 and over

### JSTOR:

<http://www.jstor.org>

You can access JSTOR remotely via the following case-sensitive information:

Username: northwoodcollege

Password: library

## Issues Online

Issues Online provide PSHE resources for teachers, students, parents and librarians. Issues use images, graphs, infographics, videos and glossaries to help students and teachers understand information covering a wide range of PSHE subjects, KS4 topics, lessons and social issues.

To access all the articles and information from 'issues' follow this link.

**Username:** Edmonds

**Password:** 20385

[www.issuesonline.co.uk/subscription/login](http://www.issuesonline.co.uk/subscription/login)

## The Directory of Open Access Journals

The Directory of Open Access Journals was launched in 2003 at Lund University, Sweden, with 300 open access journals and today contains ca. 9000 open access journals covering all areas of science, technology, medicine, social science and humanities.

The aim of the DOAJ is to increase the visibility and ease of use of open access scientific and scholarly journals, thereby promoting their increased usage and impact. The DOAJ aims to be comprehensive and cover all open access scientific and scholarly journals that use a quality control system to guarantee the content. In short, the DOAJ aims to be the one-stop shop for users of open access journals.

<https://doaj.org/>

## Help with using statistics:

Look at the Royal Statistical Society's website for help with understanding and using statistical information:

<http://www.statslife.org.uk/resources>

## TED Talks:

TED is a nonprofit devoted to spreading ideas, usually in the form of short, powerful talks (18 minutes or less). TED began in 1984 as a conference where Technology, Entertainment and Design converged, and today covers almost all topics — from science to business to global issues — in more than 100 languages.

<https://www.ted.com/talks>

## **MOOCs (Massive Open Online Courses)**

MOOCs offer university-level courses without the need to complete an entire programme of studies, and are becoming increasingly popular.

They offer a large number of students the opportunity to study high quality courses online with prestigious universities, often at no cost. They are ideal for independent study and users can select courses from any institution offering them.

MOOCs do not always lead to formal qualifications. There are no entry requirements.

Video-based, they offer interaction either through peer review and group collaboration or automated feedback through objective, online assessments (including quizzes and exams).

What you need to know

While most courses are free, some are fee-paying. Videos are normally short and much activity takes place on online discussion groups and forums.

[https://www.thecompleteuniversityguide.co.uk/distance-learning/moocs-\(massive-open-online-courses\)](https://www.thecompleteuniversityguide.co.uk/distance-learning/moocs-(massive-open-online-courses))

### **Future Learn: Short online courses**

<https://www.futurelearn.com/courses>

## **KHAN ACADEMY:**

A personalized learning resource for all ages

“Khan Academy offers practice exercises, instructional videos, and a personalized learning dashboard that empower learners to study at their own pace in and outside of the classroom. We tackle math, science, computer programming, history, art history, economics, and more. Our math missions guide learners from kindergarten to calculus using state-of-the-art, adaptive technology that identifies strengths and learning gaps. We've also partnered with institutions like NASA, The Museum of Modern Art, The California Academy of Sciences, and MIT to offer specialized content...”

<https://www.khanacademy.org/>

## NEIL GAIMAN VIDEOS:

Neil reads 'The graveyard book' and 'Coraline' in their entirety

<http://www.mousecircus.com/videos/>

## Free audio books (a 30-day free trial):

<http://www.openculture.com/get-a-free-audiobook-from-audiobooks-com>

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# JUNIOR SCHOOL:

Parents can access here: <https://northwoodcollegejunior.fireflycloud.net/library-1>

Pupils can access here: <https://northwoodcollegejunior.fireflycloud.net/library>

## E-BOOKS:

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If direct access is not working, then these are the login details:

**Username:** northwoodjunior

**Password:** explorer

Encyclopaedia Britannica Online: Access -<https://school.eb.co.uk/levels/foundation>

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