

MULTICULTURAL RESOURCES FOR CHILDREN

To find multicultural information, begin with these titles:

- J 306 Mil *Hands Around the World: 365 Creative Ways to Build Cultural Awareness & Global Respect*
Presents a variety of games and other activities to promote awareness of different cultures around the world.
- J 398.2 Mil *Tales alive! :Ten Multicultural Folktales with Activities*
Contains 10 multicultural folktales, with corresponding crafts, recipes, or activities.
- J J641.59 VEZ *Passport on a Plate : a Round-the-World Cookbook for Children*
Describes the culinary styles of twelve regions around the world and provides recipes for each, including Africa, the Caribbean, and China.
- J 641.59 VEZ *The Kids' Multicultural Art Book : Art & Craft Experiences from Around the World*
Includes background information and instructions for more than 100 craft projects from African, Native American, Eskimo, Asian, and Hispanic cultures

To find online multicultural resources for children, search these recommended online databases:

[Biography Resource Center](#)

A comprehensive biographical database providing brief and full-text information of people from ancient times to the present. Searchable by nationality and ethnicity.

[Countrywatch](#)

Includes political, economic, and geographic information for 192 countries. Includes news and maps.

[Kid's Edition - K12](#)-Elementary School Students

[Junior Edition - K12](#) Middle School Students

[Student Edition - K12](#) High School Students

Periodical databases designed for students, with easy access to full text magazines, newspapers and reference books. Multicultural resources include *Cobblestone*, *Faces*, *Footsteps*, *Skipping Stones*, and more. Suggested subject search: Cross-Cultural Studies, Intercultural Education, and Multiculturalism.

[Novelist](#)

Novelist includes more than 120,000 fiction titles, 90,000 reviews, and 36,000 subject headings to assist readers in locating favorite or new authors, to find “read-alikes”, and titles in series for adults, young adults and children. Check for the *Features for Teachers* for articles about integrating multicultural literature into classroom curriculum.

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Lit Finder

Provides access to thousands of full text poems, stories, plays, and speeches. Browse multicultural genres and subjects, such as: Ethnic and Regional Writing, Foreign Writing in English Translation, and Places and Geography.

Websites:

Multicultural Resources for Children <http://falcon.jmu.edu/~ramseyil/multipub.htm>

Provides a strong listing of links from the *Internet School Library Media Center*. Also includes a link for Young Adult multicultural resources.

Multicultural Pavilion www.edchange.org/multicultural

Developed by *EdChange*, includes activities, song index, and reading lists.

Miscosita www.miscositas.com

Contains a collection of picture books in English, French, and Spanish. Also includes ideas for multicultural curriculum and links.

International Children's Digital Library www.icdlbooks.org

A project of the University of Maryland, the *International Children's Library* contains full text and illustrations of children's books in over 20 languages. Currently, the collection has over 600 titles, with new titles added regularly.

Multicultural Calendar <http://www.kidlink.org/KIDPROJ/MCC/index.html>

Created by *Kidslink*, the multicultural calendar is listed by country, month, holiday, and author.

Folklore, Myth and Legend <http://www.acs.ucalgary.ca/~dkbrown/storfolk.html>

From the *Children's Literature Web Guide*, provides links to hundreds of texts of folktales from around the world.

To locate articles in magazines, journals, and other periodicals:

- Search the Library's **Online Resources** page. The Library's home page address is <http://www.ocls.info>

Additional information may be found using Internet web sites, which have been identified by staff as particularly useful. These are found through the **Net Links** page of the Library's website.

ORANGE COUNTY LIBRARY SYSTEM



Contact us to ask reference questions, to request Library materials and to obtain Library information.

Phone: Quest Line 407-835-7323 ● TDD: 407-835-7641 ● Online: www.ocls.info