

Content Resources for ORELA Elementary Education Exam

Language Arts & Reading:

- a) 7th and 8th grade language arts, math, science and social studies texts (do not need to be the most current)
- b) "A Teacher's Guide to Fair Use and Copyright": <http://home.earthlink.net/~cnew/research.htm>
- c) "Writing Next" document: www.all4ed.org/files/WritingNext.pdf
- d) Teaching Reading 101 College text from your favorite reading teacher
- e) Reading Instruction Content: <http://oregonreadingfirst.uoregon.edu/>
- f) "Improving Reading Performance: A Guide for K-3 Oregon Educators"
<http://www.ode.state.or.us/teachlearn/subjects/elarts/curriculum/edresources/readingplan.pdf>
- g) Reading Rockets: Reading Glossary at www.readingrockets.org
- h) General Principles for Teaching ELL Students: www.nwrel.org/request/2003may/general.html

Social Studies:

- a) 5th and 6th grade social studies texts (do not need to be the most current)
- b) "The Century" by Peter Jennings (audio tape or DVD)
- c) "We The People": Free at http://www.civiced.org/index.php?page=free_examination_materials
- d) Oregon History Content: www.bluebook.state.or.us
- e) "Lewis and Clark: The Journey of the Corps of Discovery": PBS Special on Netflix

Mathematics:

- a) "Standard Deviants" Interactive DVD (in many school libraries or ESDs)
- b) Math Content Help & Practice: <http://home.earthlink.net/~djbach/basic.html> and <http://www.math.com/homeworkhelp/BasicMath.html>
- c) Interactive Math Tutorials: <http://www.cimt.plymouth.ac.uk/projects/mepres/book7/book7int.htm>
- d) "Math on Call" by Great Source: www.greatsource.com
- e) Danica McKeller's book "Kiss My Math"
- f) "EZ Algebra" by Barrons
- g) Worksheetsworks.com

Science:

- a) "Living Rock" An Introduction to Earth's Geology video: <http://www.usgs.gov/>
- b) For content resources in all science areas: Go to "Teaching & Learning Resources" and "Science Links" at <http://www.ode.state.or.us/search/page/?id=1583>
- c) U Tube Video about Newton's 3 Laws: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UVdqxYyFRKY>
- d) "ScienceSaurus" by Great Source: www.greatsource.com
- e) <http://www.kapili.com/index.html>: Interactive science quizzes for middle schoolers.
- f) Bill Nye, the Science Guy (videos: electricity, cell structure, gravity, water cycle, etc.)
- g) The Science of Disney Imagineering (Newton's laws of physics, etc.)

All other areas:

- a) "What every 5th grader (6th grader, etc.) needs to know" series (can be found in most middle school libraries, teacher collections, SPED teachers, etc.)
- b) An old MSAT Study Prep Book published only by ETS (Educational Testing System or PRAXIS)
- c) Lots of learning resources, including videos on science, social studies, math, art, health and PE:
<http://kids.usa.gov>
- d) PE/Health 101 College text from your favorite PE teacher
- e) Teaching Elementary Music, Art or Drama 101 College text from your favorite arts teachers
- f) Mastering Multiple Choice Questions & Test Anxiety: <http://bio150.chass.utoronto.ca/tips/testtips.htm>
- g) An old MSAT Study Prep Book published only by ETS (Educational Testing System) or PRAXIS