



Introduction

This guide offers resources and links designed to support newcomers to Canada and other Jamati members, of all ages, in their journey to learn English independently.

The Aga Khan Education Board for British Columbia also has several classes available, both online and in-person to support you in your journey to learn English. Please see the [iiCanada page](#) to register and for more information.

List of Resources

Resource	Description	Link
Story Books Canada	<p>Description: Collection of illustrated stories available in multiple languages, including English, French, Arabic, Hindi, Persian, and Urdu. Read, teach, download, and listen to illustrated stories in many languages.</p> <p>Access: Computer</p> <p>How to use:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Choose a story at your skill level.○ Read along in English using the narration.○ Switch text and audio to other languages so you can understand the English content.○ Practice and repeat. <p>Target: Ideal for multi-language learners, including both children and adults at a beginner or intermediate level.</p> <p>Cost: Free No registration required</p>	http://www.storybookscanada.ca/stories/en/
Unite for Literacy	<p>Description: Access to books that can be narrated in different languages, including English.</p> <p>Access: Computer</p> <p>How to use:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Select a story.○ Use narration in English to help with comprehension.○ Toggle between English and another language.○ Practice by reading out loud and listening to improve fluency. <p>Target: Ideal for multi-language learners, including both children and adults at a beginner or intermediate level.</p> <p>Cost: Free No registration required</p>	https://www.uniteforliteracy.com/
Storyline Online	<p>Description: A literacy website that streams videos, featuring celebrated actors reading books alongside</p>	https://storylineonline.net/

	<p>creatively produced illustrations. Wide range of stories catering to different ages and interests.</p> <p>Access: Computer and Mobile App</p> <p>How to use:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Chose a book. ○ Watch the video of the book being read. ○ Download the activity guide to enhance understanding and explore themes (this feature may be more suitable for teachers). <p>Target: Children and adults at a beginner or intermediate level. Focus on listening comprehension and vocabulary.</p> <p>Cost: Free No registration required.</p>	
<p>Mauril</p>	<p>Description: Access to a vast array of learning materials, including video and audio clips from CBC and Radio-Canada's archives. Lessons are built around media clips, with interactive exercises to practice listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills.</p> <p>Access: Computer and Mobile App</p> <p>How to use:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Download the App (or access online) ○ Register, create profile. ○ Choose English or French ○ Select level, complete assessment. ○ Engage with daily lessons with real-life scenarios with Canadian cultural content, ○ Track progress through levels. <p>Target: Adults looking to learn or improve their English or French at any level.</p> <p>Cost: Free Registration required</p>	<p>https://app.mauril.ca/</p>

<p><u>Busuu</u></p>	<p>Description: Compact English lessons that enable users to practice pronunciation, learn practical conversation, and gain listening, reading and writing practice.</p> <p>Access: Computer and mobile app</p> <p>How to use:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Select English ○ Create an online profile ○ Answer the initial, easy questions that help understand your learning goals. ○ Take the initial assessment to determine your level. <p>Target: Primarily designed for adults at a beginner or intermediate level.</p> <p>Cost: Free Premium app is paid.</p>	<p>https://www.busuu.com/en/course/learn-english-online</p>
<p><u>ISSofBC YouTube channel</u></p>	<p>Description: short videos intended to educate users about simple, everyday topics, like taking your child to school, or things to do in Vancouver.</p> <p>Access: Computer and mobile app</p> <p>How to use:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Select videos and begin watching. <p>Target: Adults at a beginner or intermediate level.</p> <p>Cost: Free No registration required.</p>	<p>https://www.youtube.com/@ISSofBCESL/videos</p>

Please note that the above resources have been compiled for your convenience and the Aga Khan Education Board for British Columbia has not performed a full assessment of all resources. Please reach out to us with any questions and feedback at akeb.bc@iicanada.net.