Core ESL Collection for Small to Medium-sized Libraries

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General Considerations

- Both independently used materials, and materials for tutors.
- Both beginner and intermediate levels
- Current technology; all formats: books, cds, dvds, cd-roms, online
- Budget in red. Without the three most expensive computer-oriented items, the total cost is $1200 (under $900 with customary library and Amazon discounts). The cost for everything included is around $4400 (about $4000 with discounts).
- Adult Learning and ESL catalogues:
  - Saddleback (www.sdlback.com)
  - New Readers Press (www.newreaderspress.com)
  - Gareth Stevens (www.garethstevens.com)
  - Elizabeth Claire (www.Elizabethclaire.com)
  - McGraw-Hill (www.cambridge.org/us/esl/)
  - Pearson ESL (www.pearsonelt.com/products)

GRAMMAR ($62)

Beginner

Intermediate


Express Review Guides: Grammar.  Learning Express, 2008.  9781576856260.  $13

INTEGRATED SKILLS(Listening, Speaking, Reading and Writing) ($3200; or $200 w/o online programs)

Beginner

Muzzy.  Online program available to card holders through library website.  $1000 for small library.
Mango. Online program available to card holders through library website. $2000 for small library.


Intermediate


Real English. Disks 2&3. DVDs and workbooks on CD. http://www.real-english.com/re_cds_dvds2.asp $75

READING SKILLS AND COMPREHENSION ($318)

Beginner

Intermediate


Leveled Texts (For Science, For Social Studies, etc.). Huntington Beach, CA: Shell Education, 2008. Fifteen, 2-page articles, at 4 reading levels. Includes Teacher Resource CD so reading levels/size of fonts can be further tweaked. 9781425800840 $40, 9781425801625 $40

Saddleback’s Illustrated Classics. Variety of stories in colorful graphic novel format, with one CD-ROM that has about 10 pages of printable worksheets to aid in comprehension, and another audio CD of the story read aloud. Example: Man in the Iron Mask, by Alexandre Dumas. Guangzhou, China: Saddleback, 2011. 9781562549206 $25 Budget assumes 3 are purchased.

LISTENING, SPEAKING AND PRONUNCIATION ($91)

Beginner

Easy Pronunciation. Living Language: 2009. 6 CDs and 64 pg. booklet. 9781400006021. $30


Intermediate

Brown, Stephen. Improve Your English: English in the Workplace (DVD w/ Book): Hear and see how English is actually spoken--from real-life speakers McGraw-Hill: 2008, 9780071497183. $21

VOCABULARY AND IDIOMS ($352; or $152 w/o CD-ROM)

Beginner


Oxford Picture Dictionary Workbook, Low Beginning, 2nd ed. Oxford U Press, USA: 2008. 9780194740401. This item can be found in bilingual editions (English-Arabic, English-Spanish, etc.) $21

Oxford Picture Dictionary CD-ROM. One CD for a library-use computer. $200


Intermediate


WRITING ($12)

Intermediate

**TOEFL Test ($48)**

*Vocabulary for TOEFL iBT.* Learning Express, 2007. 9781576856321. $13


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**CITIZENSHIP ($91)**

Alesi, Gladys E. *Barron’s How to Prepare for the U.S. Citizenship Test.* 7th ed., 2008. 9780764140556. $17


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**BUSINESS ENGLISH ($51)**

*Intermediate*


*Medical English Clear & Simple: A Practice-Based Approach to English for ESL Healthcare.* F.A. Davis Company: 2010. 9780803621657. $38

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**TUTORING ($180)**

Claire, Elizabeth. *Classroom Teacher’s ESL Survival Kit #1.* Saddle Brook, NJ: Eardley, 2009. 9780937630402 $35


*EZ Reading Story Cards.* 40 stories, 4 large laminated cards on each subject, for small group use. Activity sheets for each story that can be copied. “Awesome Animals” is a series that will interest adults as well as children. ASIN: B0049HRUC6 $45

*Reading Comprehension Practice Cards: Main Idea.* Madison, WI: Edupress. 54 laminated cards with very short reading passages and a comprehension multiple choice question. At 3 reading levels. 765515030668, 765515030651, 765515034017 $10 each set