

ESPERANTO ON THE INTERNET

With the Esperanto-movado being so geographically dispersed, it's really no surprise that it has a large presence on the Internet. Here's a selection of the best and most popular sites.

Learning Esperanto



Lernu (en.lernu.net)

One of the best ways to learn Esperanto, this multilingual website also provides communication facilities, an incredibly useful two-way dictionary for Esperanto to/from a number of languages and a huge variety of assorted resources.

Social networks

Esperanto has a presence on Facebook (facebook.com), and the site is currently being translated into Esperanto by a large team of volunteers.

More Esperantists are to be found at the site Ipernity (ipernity.com). Although more useful for people wanting to share content they've created (images, music, etc.), there's certainly a large community of Esperantists there, and the site is available in Esperanto as well as a number of other languages.

Amikumu (amikumu.com) is a purely Esperanto social networking site; although it isn't huge yet it's certainly growing.

The Media

The France-based record label Vinilkosmo (vinilkosmo.com) publishes exclusively Esperanto music, and makes a large number of its songs available free for sampling at the Brazillian site MusicExpress (www.musicexpress.com.br/eo). Their albums span a wide variety of genres, are generally of very high quality and can be purchased online.

Popular bands include Persone (bertilow.com/persone), Dolchamar (dolchamar.net), Supernova, Kore, Kajto and of course JoMo, many of whom also provide their music via MySpace.

The video blog Farbskatol' (farbskatol.net) regularly posts Esperanto-language music videos, as well as clips on a wide variety of topics.

A few talk radio stations broadcast in Esperanto over the Internet, including daily services from Ĉina Radio Internacia, Pola Radio and the Vatican Radio, plus there are several different podcasts available in Esperanto such as Radio Verda (radioverda.com) and Varsovia Vento. Gazetejo (gazetejo.org) provides online issues of a variety of Esperanto magazines.

La Movado

Universala Esperanto Asocio (uea.org) and Tutmonda Esperantista Junulara Organizo (tejo.org) both have websites, as well as most of the national associations: the Esperanto Association of Britain has its website at esperanto-gb.org.

Many Esperanto events also have websites, including the Internacia Seminario (is.esperanto.de). The Internacia Junulara Kongreso (IJK) and Universala Kongreso (UK) websites change every year, but can usually be found quickly using Google – which, incidentally, can be set to use Esperanto as its language (look under "Preferences"). The Pasporta Servo also has its web page (www.tejo.org/eo/ps).

An Esperanto Wikipedia (eo.wikipedia.org) also exists, and by word-count is of a comparable size to a traditional English paper encyclopedia.

Finally, JEB also has its own website (the JEBsite) at jeb.org.uk, which includes news items and articles written by JEB members. It also includes the forums at jeb.org.uk/forumoj, JEB's own social networking site where many topics (not all to do with Esperanto!) are discussed and help in the language is given.

All the above links are available at:

www.jeb.org.uk/memberlinks