

# *The Apricot Project*

Free open-source resources from across the internet, for all interests and needs.

## **Introduction:**

Welcome to the free content and resources doc; Also known as The Apricot Project, this is run by myth-thing on Tumblr and inspired by the list by sraithpics on Tumblr. The aim of this project is to chronicle free digital resources for media for personal use. Constantly in progress and if you have any websites, message me through them.

How we sort out the entries:

Name - url

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Description of the website/resource

## **Multimedia:**

Internet Archive - [archive.org](http://archive.org)

The Wayback Machine, millions of articles, files, images, videos, recordings and more. If you have something, especially internet related, it probably is there or needs to get in there.

Trove - <https://trove.nla.gov.au/>

*Possible region lock around Australia?*

Apart from the National Library of Australia and its partners, it has many newspapers, pictures, books, videos and more.

Hoover Institution's Digital Collections - <https://digitalcollections.hoover.org/collections>

A new and growing collection of posters, photographs, videos, audio recordings and historical materials from Stanford University's Hoover Institution. Some materials aren't available due to copyright.

American Archive Of Public Broadcasting - <https://americanarchive.org>

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The Library of Congress and GBH of Boston's online archive with historical television and radio programs and segments, with transcripts.

## **Movies and TV:**

Tubi- <https://tubitv.com/home>

A streaming platform for mostly movies and short films has a lot of indies, non-English and classic stuff.

Popcorn Flix- <https://www.popcornflix.com/pages/discover/d/movies>

A streaming platform that has quite a small content from Screen Media Ventures, mostly documentaries, horror and tv shows.

Vudu from Fandango-

<https://www.vudu.com/content/movies/uxpage/View-All-Free-Movies-TV/207>

A usually cost money service that offers some movies and TV shows completely free,,, with ads. But this is still alright, if you need to watch something then there it is.

Plex- <https://www.plex.tv/en-au/watch-free/>

A free streaming platform for podcasts, live tv, films, web shows and music.

Does the dog die?- <https://www.doesthedogdie.com>

This website allows you to look for triggers in movies without spoilers, like strobing effects, clowns, deaths, needles and much more.

## **Books, papers, comics and zines:**

PDF drive - pdfdrive.com

Free books in PDF form

CORE - core.ac.uk

Open access to thousands of free research papers, raw data and resources from all over the world made by The Open University.

Z Library - <https://2lib.org/>

Free books and articles that you can search by ISBN, author, title or publisher.

EpubPub - <https://www.epub.pub/>

Thousands of Free books, mostly romance novels, that you can search from title and author.

Library Genesis - <https://libgen.is/>

Free books, academic articles, images, comics and magazines. That you can search by title, authors, series, publishers, ISBN and Language.

Elephind - elephind.com

Free newspaper articles from around the world and across the years.

QZAP - <https://archive.qzap.org>

The online version of the LGBTQAI+ zine archive, all available for free and has a wide library.

Comixology- <https://www.comixology.com/free-comics>

Comixology is usually a paid service but does offer a number of free comics, will warn, is an Amazon company. Eww. But it has a vast collection if you are still willing to use it.

The Digital Comic Museum- <https://digitalcomicmuseum.com>

This is an archival project to restore and preserve the public domain of Golden Age comics. Usually, comics that would not otherwise be preserved or from companies that are completely defunct.

Graphite Comics- <https://www.graphitecomics.com>

This is a free service that offers both digital comic books and webcomics legally. Where you can even publish your own comic if you wish.

Books, Google Drive-

[https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/15d\\_8KSIkoCStWImMxgbJVB1gRHtFmy3H](https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/15d_8KSIkoCStWImMxgbJVB1gRHtFmy3H)

An absolute treat with many free pdfs spanning from Animorphs to freaking Good Omens, all neatly compiled into one Google Drive by jewfrogs on Tumblr.

Google Scholar- <https://scholar.google.com/>

Search through a heck ton of academic pieces from around the internet with ease.

## **Computer-Based:**

Animate Archive - <https://animatearchive.neocities.org/?home>

Free programs of old versions of Flash and other animation programs.

Win World - <https://winworldpc.com/home>

A library is full of old programs for old systems. This includes games, applications and development tools. All for free.

Old Version - <http://www.oldversion.com>

Archive full of old programs and applications for a large range of versions and computers.

Photo Pea - Photopea.com

Basically a free photoshop directly in your browser.

[ Thanks to squarepantz on Tumblr for posting about it! ]

VLC Media Player- <https://www.videolan.org/vlc/>

Yes, they are used all over by teachers everywhere player, completely open-source and surprisingly robust.

Notepad ++ - <https://notepad-plus-plus.org>

This is a source code editor, which works in several languages. Useful for anyone who wants to learn to code.

GIMP - <https://www.gimp.org>

A photo editor and illustration program, similar to Photoshop. All for Free and open source.

OBS - <https://obsproject.com>

A free and open-source, live streaming software and video recorder.

Krita- <https://krita.org/en/>

Free and open-source painting and illustration software, an absolute unit from my experience working with it.

FireAlpaca- <https://firealpaca.com>

Free painting and illustration software is available in multiple languages, for both Mac and Windows.

## Radio/Audio:

Sounds - <https://sounds.bl.uk>

British Library's free archive of its a huge library. Spoken recordings, music, radio recordings, dialects and nature.

Quiet Please - <https://www.quietplease.org>

A fan-made website dedicated to archiving the landmark radio program "Quiet Please" to all listen to for free.

Old Time World - <https://www.olderadioworld.com>

A small but passionate website dedicated to preserving old radio programs from the 1930s, 1940s and 1950s.

Old Radio Programs - <https://olderadioprograms.us>

Another small website full of old radio programs, with a wider library and timeline.

Radio. Net - <https://au.radio.net>

Free streaming of radio stations from across the world, both major and minor stations. Local and international. Student and Professional.

Relic Radio- <https://www.relicradio.com/otr/>

This offers Eight programs that offer recordings in a podcast format of mostly one-shot radio programs.

Rokit Radio- <https://rokitradio.com>

This is unique in the way it is a not for profit project to imitate the classic era of radio in the 40s and 50s, as well as using heaps of content fully preserved from that point in time and period-appropriate recordings and music.

## Language Resources:

Duolingo - <https://www.duolingo.com/learn>

37 languages to learn for pretty much free with a few tiny roadblocks (there is a premium ver), there are smaller languages like Scottish Gaelic there and they are constantly adding new languages, which gets corrected constantly by other users.

Learn Gaelic - <https://learngaelic.scot/index.jsp>

Scottish Gaelic major resource that includes Beginners, Intermediate and Advanced levels, as well as general resources like a dictionary and thesaurus, course finder, how to type in Scotts Gaelic and grammar resources.

iGàidhlig - <http://www.igaidhlig.net/en/> / <http://www.igaidhlig.net/gd/>

Scottish Gaelic one-stop shop to find translation programs for your computer and other tech stuff, all in order to make your computer more friendly towards Scottish Gaelic.

Languages and Linguistics MEGA drive -

<https://mega.nz/folder/kQBXHRkWA#-osWRLNCXAsd62In8wKa8w>

A frankly amazing and vast resource with thousands of languages from ancient languages like Latin to sign languages like AUSLAN to even some indigenous languages which are all amazing to see and honestly, don't usually get access to huge academic sources like this. Compiled by salvadorbonaparte on Tumblr.

## Educational Material and Free Short Courses:

Quizlet's Solutions- <https://quizlet.com/explanations>

Formally known as Slader, this is a collaborative, step by step resource to help you understand your textbooks and questions you get thrown by your educators.

Google Digital Garage- <https://learndigital.withgoogle.com/digitalgarage-au>

Made in partnership with Open University and Google, this gives a range of short courses in IT, Digital Marketing, Careers and so on. Completely free, some even with certifications.

Year13- <https://year13.com.au/>

*Australian Centric*

A whole heck of stuff on finding work, courses and being an adult. With study tips, well-being, money articles that can help you in the wild world of being an adult.

Coursera- <https://www.coursera.org>

*USA Centric*

College courses online, with stuff like psychology, IT, and more from the top universities in the USA. Some courses are completely free, some are not. But it is a good start to find

something you might like, people who are already learning at uni can get unlimited guided projects and one free course every year too.

MIT Open Courseware- <https://ocw.mit.edu>

*USA Centric*

Made by Massachusetts Institute of Technology, free lectures, books, instructional material, learning activities. Does not give credit or certificates, just think of it as a jumping-off point really, you can also download and save stuff too, also there's podcasts and stuff too.

Open Yale Courses- <https://oyc.yale.edu>

*USA Centric*

Lectures made by Yale University, again, no credit, degree or certificate but does give heaps of really old recordings of courses, yeah it's small as heck, but hey. A free resource is a freebie.

University Of Oxford's Mathematical Institute Online- <https://courses.maths.ox.ac.uk>

*UK Centric*

An up-to-date, comprehensive and free list and archive of maths courses. They will appear as they exist because it is on the 2020/2021 form. So some stuff hasn't been lectured yet, turn to their archive.

Mathpapa- <https://www.mathpapa.com>

A guide to help you in the terrible and nightmare world of Algebra, there is some stuff locked behind a paywall. But there is free help offered as well to help you with practice problems and stuff.

Cheatography- <https://cheatography.com>

Free cheatsheets, revision equipment and quick references for heaps of subjects save all that writing. It's also a collaborative platform, you can add your own sheets too!

EasyBib- <https://www.easybib.com>

Checks your papers and makes citations for you! Again this is with Chegg so there's a premium version and a heck ton of stuff locked behind it.

Scribblr's Knowledge Base- <https://www.scribbr.com/knowledge-base/>

Makes citations for you, in multiple styles, helps with resources to write properly, helps with research completely for free. Mostly only does USA styles of writing though.

## **Coupons, Deals and Money Savers:**

Lozo- <https://lozo.com>

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This website gives you coupons and deals on what is available to help you save money when you shop.

Ask Izzy- <https://askizzy.org.au/>

*Australian centric*

This app and website offer a heaven and heck ton of places that can offer assistance like housing, food, clothing, tech stuff, finding work and so much more. Been an absolute godsend while I have been homeless let me tell you.