

Guided Tour

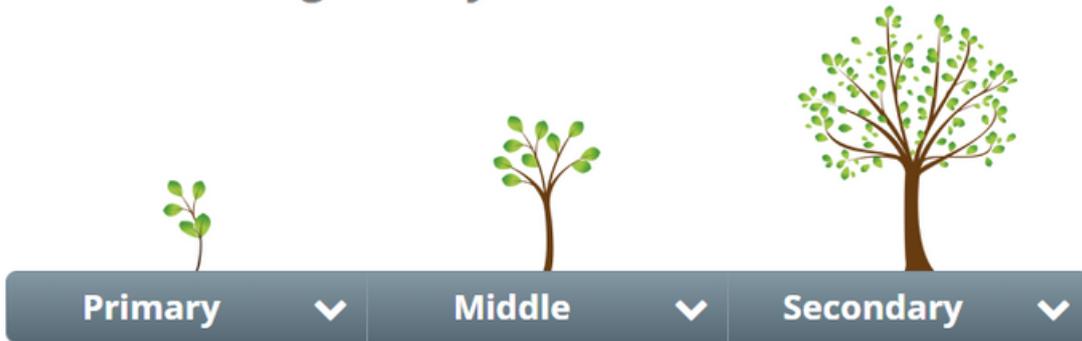
Your guide to getting started
with Britannica School



Britannica School

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Select learning for any level.



Our highly reputable editorial team expertly create content at three levels to support students at every stage of their education. Clicking on each of these levels will take you directly to the respective homepage.

Primary School Level

The Primary School level is built and designed with younger learners in mind. The engaging and eye-catching colours and images help to grasp and keep their attention, while regularly updated content makes the homepage the perfect place to find unique lesson hooks and discussion points.

The screenshot shows the Britannica School Primary homepage. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the logo, a search bar, and links for 'Students', 'Educators', and 'Help'. Below the navigation bar, there is a 'My Britannica' section with links for 'My Content', 'Lesson Plan Browse', and 'Sign Out'. The main content area features a 'Name the Image' game with a picture of a blue and white budgie. The text next to the image asks, 'This bird is called several names: shell parakeet, budgerigar and what else?'. There are four orange buttons with the names 'budgie', 'cockatiel', 'lovebird', and 'lorikeet'. Below the game, there is a horizontal line with a red dot and four green dots. At the bottom, there is a row of six icons representing different content categories: 'ARTICLES' (flowers), 'MEDIA' (planet), 'WORLD ATLAS' (landscape), 'BIOGRAPHIES' (Einstein), 'ANIMAL KINGDOM' (lion), and 'FOR PREK-2 STUDENTS' (Fundamentals!). A 'Show More' link is also present.

Features Shortcuts

Allow students the freedom to explore Britannica independently! Use the World Atlas to go on a virtual tour around the world, explore the Animal Kingdom or just enjoy some educational fun and games using Britannica Fundamentals.

Global Awareness

It is important for students to gain an understanding of the world in which they live through engagement with current affairs. From the Britannica School homepage, students have access to BTN and the CBBC news headlines to ensure that they are well informed.

Middle School Level

Content and design at the Middle School Level is adapted to cater to more mature users while resources can be used in a similar way - to inspire curiosity, stimulate discussion and encourage independent research. Additional features include a list of Primary Sources, a feature designed to provide students with first hand accounts of events or periods of time.

The screenshot shows the Britannica School Middle website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the Britannica School logo, a search bar, and links for 'Students', 'Educators', and 'Help'. The main content area is divided into several sections:

- Compare Countries:** This section is highlighted by a blue arrow. It features a title 'Compare Countries' and a subtitle 'The Dominican Republic and Haiti are located in the Caribbean Sea.' Below this, there are two rows of country flags: the Dominican Republic and Haiti. A text prompt says 'Use the Compare Countries tool to find out more about both of these countries.' Below the flags are two dropdown menus for 'Dominican Republic' and 'Haiti', and a 'Go!' button.
- Explore Biographies:** This section features a title 'Explore Biographies' and a subtitle 'Biography of the day: Jacques Chirac'. It includes a small portrait of Jacques Chirac and a text block describing him as a French politician, born on this day in 1932, twice served as prime minister of France (1974-76, 1986-88), and was elected twice (1995, 2002) as the country's president. Below this is a 'LEARN MORE' link.
- Did You Know?:** This section features a title 'Did You Know?' and three video thumbnails with captions: 'Kangaroos use their arms and feet to fight anything they see as a threat.', 'Beethoven became totally deaf in his 40s.', and 'Ancient Egyptians believed that cats were holy.'
- At a Glance:** This section features a title 'At a Glance' and three image thumbnails with captions: 'The first people to live in the Americas were the Indians, or Native Americans.', 'The U.S. president is arguably the most powerful elected official in the world.', and 'Landmarks are features of the land or structures that are notable or unique.'
- Recommended Primary Sources:** This section is highlighted by a blue arrow. It features a title 'Recommended Primary Sources' and a subtitle 'Find letters, speeches, and other primary source material.' Below this is a list of primary sources: 'Egyptian Book of the Dead', 'Code of Hammurabi', 'Sayings of Confucius', 'Thucydides' History of the Peloponnesian War', 'Magna Carta', 'Marco Polo's Travels', 'Christopher Columbus's Letter to the King and Queen of Spain', 'Niccolò Machiavelli's The Prince', 'Treaty of Westphalia', '(English) Bill of Rights', 'Jonathan Swift's A Modest Proposal', and 'Constitution of the United States'.

Compare Countries

The Compare Countries feature is powered by the World Bank, ensuring country statistics are consistently updated and reliable. Use this feature to find statistical snapshots and learn about any other country in the world using unbiased, factual information.

Primary Sources

Crucial to any successful research project is evidence of using both primary and secondary sources. Here, students have direct access to letters, speeches and other primary source material to broaden their research.

Secondary School Level

Content at the Secondary School level is geared towards students in Senior Secondary or pursuing further education. Features such as Flash Facts and In Their Words are great launchpads for critical thinking and fostering mature debates. With live news feeds from the New Zealand Herald, ABC and BBC, students are inspired to engage with current issues and consider global perspectives.

Biographies

This is the perfect starting point for students to begin inquiries into people of a specific era or occupation. From the influential to the infamous, Britannica's rich collection of biographies are always compiled factually and impartially.

Media Browse

Explore a wide range of high quality multimedia resources to support research and develop understanding of a topic. There is content to cover every aspect of the curriculum, from architecture to life processes, to technology.

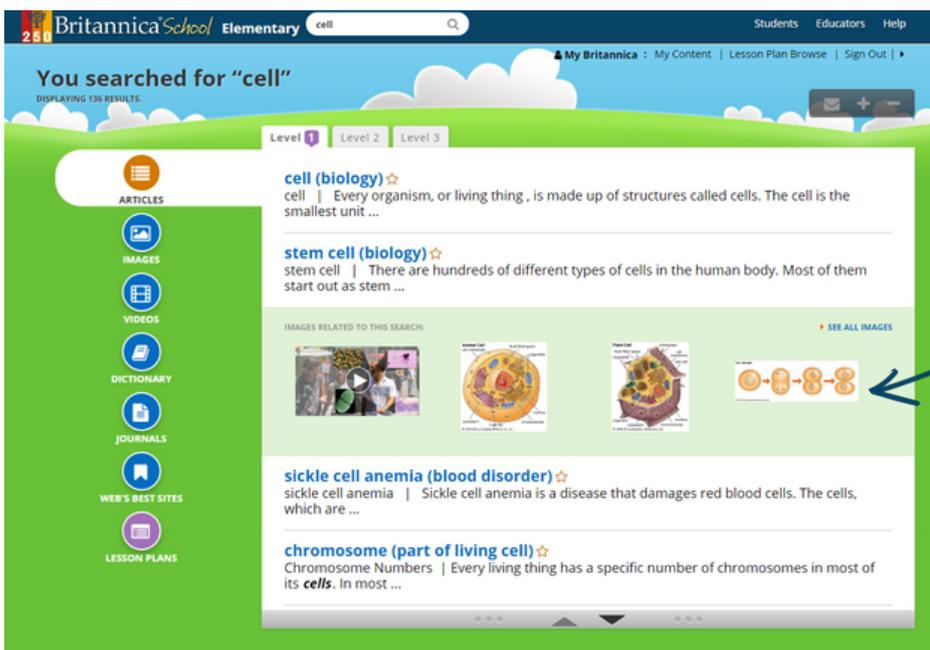
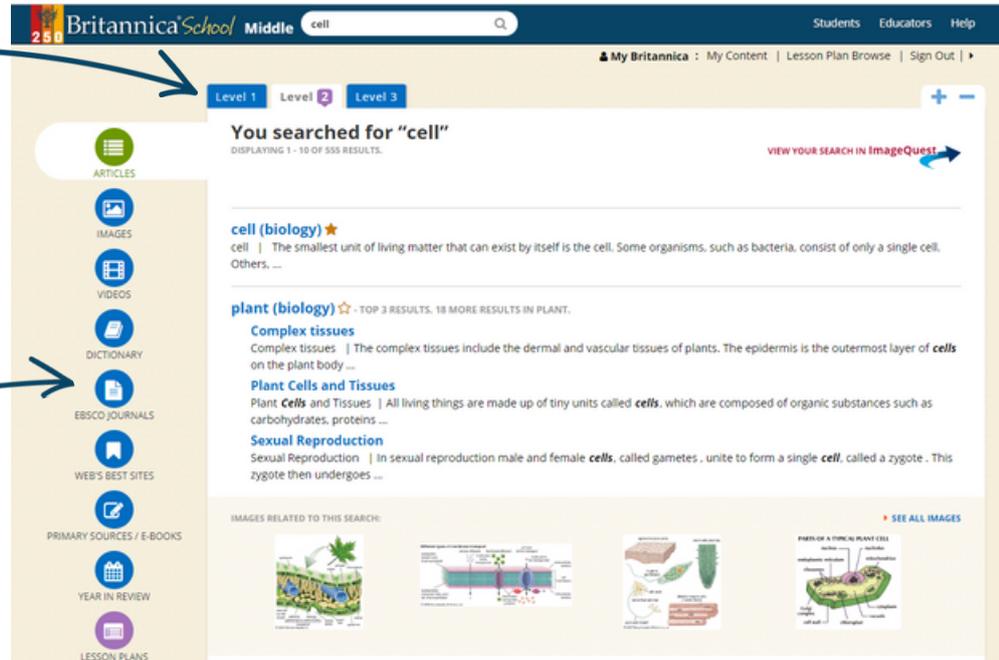
Search Results Page

Differentiation

Support or challenge students by selecting the level dependent on their ability. This is a simple and immediate way of including differentiation within your classroom.

Journals

Students have access to a wide range of academic journals and magazines provided by EBSCO across all three levels. This advanced form of researching prepares students for Higher Education.



Multimedia

Tap into a large number of high quality, citable videos and images. These can be used as lesson hooks or discussion points to engage your learners through multimedia.

Web's Best Sites

This feature will redirect students to separate web pages. These sites have all been vetted to ensure that they are relevant and appropriate for the learning of students at each level.

Content Page Tools

Favourite

Click on the star icon to add an article to your Favourites or a specific Resource Pack that you've created. This is a great way to organise research or plan for a unit of work.

Cite

Automatically generate source citation in line with global academic standards, keeping this sometimes difficult process as simple as possible for all ages.

Translate

Use the Read Aloud tool to hear the text read by a neutral voice, with the words being highlighted on screen.

The image shows two overlapping screenshots of the Britannica School website. The top screenshot is the 'Middle' level page for the article 'cell'. It features a navigation bar with 'Students', 'Educator', and 'Help' options. Below the navigation bar, there are icons for sharing, favoriting (a star), and reading aloud (a speaker icon). The article content includes an introduction and a diagram of a cell. The bottom screenshot is the 'Primary' level page for the same article. It has a more colorful, child-friendly interface with a 'Read Aloud' button and a 'Teacher' dropdown menu. A blue arrow points from the 'Favourite' text to the star icon in the middle screenshot. Another blue arrow points from the 'Cite' text to the citation icon in the middle screenshot. A third blue arrow points from the 'Translate' text to the read aloud icon in the middle screenshot. A fourth blue arrow points from the 'Dictionary' text to the 'Related' button in the primary screenshot.

Dictionary

Britannica School Page Tools support developing readers and encourage independent learning. Students can double click any word in an article to see a dictionary definition and grow their vocabulary.

Challenge

Challenge your more able students by suggesting that they read more advanced content found in the higher levels. Also encourage them to click the Related tab to expand their research and make meaningful connections between content.

My Britannica

Set up a personal My Britannica account. Here, both educators and students are able to view their favoured content and organise them into Resource Packs. The notes section can be used to create custom instructions or annotations for each piece of content, making Resource Packs a great tool for digital homework!

The screenshot shows the 'My Content' page on the Britannica School website. The navigation bar at the top includes 'Students', 'Educators', and 'Help'. The main content area is titled 'My Content' and features a sidebar on the left with a list of resource packs, including 'The Anzac Legend Middle' (4 items), 'A History of Mateship Primary' (11 items), 'Mabo Day Middle' (6 items), 'Reconciliation Primary' (14 items), 'Making a Nation Middle' (14 items), 'Australian Gold Rushes Primary' (8 items), and 'World Book Day' (11 items). The main content area displays a resource pack titled 'A History of Mateship Primary' with options to 'Rename Pack', 'Delete Pack', 'Email Pack', and 'Share Pack'. It shows 'In this pack: 2 Articles, 9 Images' and buttons for 'Edit / Add Content' and 'Convert to a Lesson Plan'. A filter dropdown is set to 'Filter by content type:'. Three items are listed: an image of soldiers, an article titled 'Anzac Day: rifle salute' with a text description, and another article titled 'Anzac Day' with a text description. A red arrow points from the 'My Britannica' navigation bar to the 'Anzac Day: rifle salute' article.

How can Teachers use Resource Packs?

Resource Packs provide the perfect area for teachers to collate all relevant resources for a specific unit of work. Use the notes section for forward planning. Upload your own documents into a Resource Pack alongside Britannica content.

How can Students use Resource Packs?

Students can keep track of their research by organising favoured content into a Resource Pack. To assess understanding of the content, they can write summaries of key points within the notes section. Students can email and share the pack with teachers to show their progress.

Curriculum Support

Britannica School content aligns to state, national or international Curriculum Standards. The curriculum mapping tool clearly highlights how Britannica School articles align to each strand. Find Curriculum Standards Browse on the **Educators page**.



Searching for your Curriculum Content

Select your standard, subject and level to view all the relevant Britannica content that maps directly to those strands. This will ensure that your units of work have hit all necessary curriculum targets.

Cross-Curriculum Planning

Easily identify opportunities for cross-curriculum learning and collaboration.

English as a Second Language

Dictionary

Double-click any word within an article or primary source to see a Quick-Click dictionary definition.

Reading Levels

Adjust the difficulty of an article by toggling between 3 level labels.

Read Aloud

Click the play icon to listen to an audio version of an article.

The screenshot displays the Britannica School interface for the article 'cell'. The top navigation bar includes the Britannica School logo, a search bar, and user options like 'Students', 'Educators', and 'Help'. The article title 'cell' is prominently displayed. Below the title, there are tabs for 'Article', 'Images & Videos', 'Related', and 'Teacher'. The 'Article Reading Level' section shows three buttons labeled '1', '2', and '3', with '2' selected. The main content area features an 'Introduction' section with a diagram of a cell and a play button for audio. The Chinese translation of the article is shown below, with a 'Translate this page' dropdown menu open, listing various languages such as Catalan, Cebuano, Chinese (Traditional), Chinese (Simplified), and others. Arrows from the text blocks point to the reading level buttons, the play button, and the translation menu.

Support for all English Abilities

Britannica School has a range of inbuilt tools to support users learning English as an additional language or dialect.

Translate

Support English as a second language users by translating articles into over 100 languages. Use the Globe icon to toggle between languages and develop language comprehension skills.

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Passcode _____

Username _____

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