Online TESOL Resources

General ESL
http://www.tesol.net/tesl.html (The Linguistic Funland: TESOL)
http://www.elc.byu.edu/ (ELC)
http://www.eslcafe.com/ - (Dave’s ESL Cafe)
http://w2.byuh.edu/academics/languagecenter/ (BYU Hawaii Language Center)
http://www.tefl.net/ (Has a lot of useful links, but a bit hard to navigate)
http://www.joneslibrary.org/esl/info/adult.html (General links to TESOL websites)
www.pbs.org (PBS: Lots of good listening and reading resources)
http://www.wannalearn.com/Academic_Subjects/World_Languages/English_as_a_Secon
d_Language/ (WannaLearn.com: English as a Second Language, and lots of sources)
http://www.eslgold.com (Free English teaching and learning resources)

Grammar
http://web2.uvcs.uvic.ca/elec/studyzone/ (A good site for grammar)
http://www.prenhall.com/grammarassessment/ (grammar assessment students can take)
http://esl.about.com (What You Need to Know About English as 2nd Language)

Listening
http://www.esl-lab.com/ (Randall’s Listening Lab: great for finding listening tracks)
http://azlyrics.com (A-Z Lyrics Universe: download lyrics for ESL through music)
http://www.americanrhetoric.com/moviespeeches.htm (Includes movie speeches and text)
www.brainpop.com/ (Brain Pop-short educational movies and associated quizzes
(subscription required)

Reading
www.gutenberg.net/index.html (Project Gutenberg-free eBooks and eTexts)
http://www.provo.lib.ut.us/projread/home.html (ESOL and Adult Education Links)

ESL Games
http://a4esl.org/ (Activities for ESL Students)
www.eslpartyland.com (Karin’s ESL Party Land)
http://www.lingolex.com/userpages/Ernie.html (Ernie’s Activity Page: games &
activities)
www.manythings.org (General ESL and games)

Lesson Planning
www.LessonPlansPage.com (k-12 general lesson plans)
http://handoutsonline.com (Online handouts)
www.literacynet.org/esl (Help with lesson planning materials)

Vocabulary
http://www.puzzlemaker.com/ - type in words and it will make crossword puzzles with
solutions
www.pdictionary.com (The internet Picture Dictionary)
http://www.talking-about.net/ (many common expressions in English)
ELC Web Links (ESL/EFL -- General)

- 1-language.com

  A good resource site for students and teachers of English as a second language or a foreign language.

- Aardvark's English Forum

  Quizzes, tests, exercises and puzzles to help you learn English as a Second Language (ESL). This project of The Internet TESL Journal (itesj.org) has thousands of contributions by many teachers. (from the site)

- BBC World Service -- Learning English

  Comprehensive materials for intermediate to advanced ESL learners from the BBC World Service. Uses simplified news stories to present English in context ... (from Google).

- Better English Exercises

  A collection of a variety of exercises and lessons (grammar, vocabulary, business English, etc.)

- Dave's ESL Cafe

  A classic ESL/EFL site for students and teachers.

- EL Easton -- English Online

  Materials for teaching and learning English and other languages.

- English as 2nd Language

  An ESL resource site. This site covers a lot of different topics (Beginning English, Advanced English, Grammar, TOEFL, Test and Quizzes, and a lot more)

- English Club

  ESL resources -- Grammar, vocabulary, pronunciation, listening, speaking, reading, writing, special interest, and more.

- English Student Resources at Ohio ESL

- English Zone

  Most materials are accessible only by members (a paid subscription is required), but some are free to view.

- ESL/EFL Resources

  Links to learning resources, teaching resources, and media.

- ESLGold

  A good general ESL site. It contains many kinds of materials such as phrases for conversation, grammar explanation, picture dictionary, and academic vocabulary exercises.

- ESL Independent Study Lab

  http://www.elc.byu.edu/weblinks2/links_eslgeneral.php
Links to various ESL sites. They are organized according to students' proficiency levels (TOEFL scores).

- **ESL Lessons**
  Games, lessons, links, and resources.

- **The ESL Wonderland**
  Activities, classes, discussion, lesson plans, and links.

- **Flashcards**
  A collection of flashcards you can print out and use.

- **Free English Lessons**
  There are a lot of English practices here -- organized by skills. Reading, Grammar, Listening, Writing, Spelling, Vocabulary, Pronunciation, and Idioms sections are available.

- **Interesting Things for ESL Students (Fun English Study)**
  Word games, puzzles, quizzes, exercises, slang, proverbs and much more. (from the site)

- **Isabel's ESL Site**
  Quizzes, tests, and other resources.

- **Karin's ESL PartyLand**
  Resources for students and teachers -- interactive quizzes, discussion forums, lesson plans and more.

- **LearnEnglish**
  Produced by the British Council. Includes, grammar, songs/lyrics, magazine, kids' zone, and more.

- **Learn English (Englishforums.com)**
  Learn and explore the English language with topics such as poetry, stories, medical and business English, letter writing, grammar, vocabulary, essay composition and general chit chat. Learn English with online help from volunteer teachers all over the world. (from the site)

- **Tower of English**
  The ESL Guide to the Internet. You will find tons of links to useful ESL/EFL websites for learners and teachers.
Activities for ESL Students

The following grammar quiz pages are a part of Activities for ESL Students:
- Easy
- Medium
- Difficult
- Quizzes about Places
- Quizzes Using JavaScript
- Quizzes Using Flash
- HTML-Only Quizzes

Article Usage

A concise guide to using the English article system (a, an, the).

Assessment Tests

Four levels of assessment tests are available on this site. (elementary, intermediate, upper-intermediate, and advanced)

Azar Grammar Exchange

An Online Resource for ESL Teachers -- The Companion Website to the Azar Grammar Series

The new and expanded Azar Grammar Exchange is a global community of ESL teachers. It provides a forum where teachers can share ideas, questions, and grammar-teaching materials for the benefit of students around the world. (cited from the site)

Business English Grammar Lessons for Adults

Grammar lessons and exercises on various grammar points in the context of business English.

English as a Second Language Resources, Handouts and Exercises

Grammar handouts and exercises as well as links to resource web sites.

ESL Grammar Links

A link site, especially to those related to grammar.

English Grammar

This page contains the links to the companion websites for the Focus on Grammar series textbooks.

Focus on Grammar

A collection of grammar lessons and quizzes. This is a part of EnglishClub.com.

Grammar Bytes!


Grammar for English Language Learners

Links to activities, references, special problems in English grammar, etc. This is a part of English Student Resources at Ohio ESL.

Grammar -- Word Safari: Megalist of Word Links
This section of Word Safari contains links to English grammar web sites.

- **Grammar Quizzes at ESL PartyLand**
  A link page to grammar reference pages.

- **Grammar Reference**
  Collection of interactive grammar quizzes (from very easy to difficult). This is a part of ESL PartyLand.

- **Grammar, Usage, and Style**
  A link page to many grammar, usage, and style sites, including ESL links.

- **Guide to Grammar and Writing**
  Good reference to word/sentence level and paragraph level grammar points.

- **Hypertext Guide to English Grammar, Mechanics, and Usage Rules**
  This site outlines grammar/mechanics/usage rules and errors.

- **The Internet Grammar of English**
  A good grammar reference and exercise site.
  This is an online course in English grammar written primarily for university undergraduates. (from the site).

- **Lists of Grammar Lists**
  This site provides lists of grammar items for use by ESL/EFL teachers. These lists have been prepared by ESL/EFL teachers to share with colleagues. (cited from the site) English irregular verbs, American vs. English English spelling, linking verbs, conjunctions, etc.

- **Online English Grammar**
  Online reference and guide for English grammar, writing, punctuation and learning. (cited from the site)

- **Sentence Diagrams**
  Offers sentence diagrams to help students learn grammar. Examples are also included.

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Successful Adaptation of Language Teaching Materials

Basic Principles and Procedures

"Don’t throw out the baby with the bath water."

1. Identify key teaching points, objectives (in order to protect and preserve them when making changes)

2. Identify problems (e.g., incorrect, unrealistic situation, behavior, language, teaching approach)

3. Take corrective action (e.g., proofread and correct language; modify situation, characters, language; extend or telescope practice exercises; expand; supplement; simplify; modernize; localize)

4. Implement without being overly critical or negative (be diplomatic in order to maintain harmony within the teaching situation)
"Spur of the Moment" Vocabulary Teaching
Ideas from Ted Plaister and David Cross

- Demonstration (clap)
- "Show and tell" (pencil)
- Realia (puddle)
- Picture (cabin)
- Body language (stagger)
- Analysis (manu-script)
- Cognate (typhoon)
- Cline/scale (often)
- Context/Illustrative sentences (hate)
- Inference (wealthy)
- Classification/Semantic field (citrus)
- Definition (carnivorous)
- Synonym (damp)
- Antonym (ripe)
- Dialect equivalents (darning needle)
- Translation

Now practice with these words
frequently traffic tomorrow
lukewarm filthy tallest
zebra whistle skyscraper
pineapple fierce empty
clothing diameter circumnavigate
bilingual hood vegetarian
vest portrait impromptu
Thorough, Direct Vocabulary Teaching
(Adapted from Bernard D. Seal, "Vocabulary Learning and Teaching" in
Teaching English as a Second or Foreign Language, Marianne Celce-Murcia, ed.)

Recommendation: Select words to be taught together from the same
"lexical domain" (i.e., situational, topical area, such as "family" or "shopping")

Stage 1: Convey Meaning
Present each new word to learners so that they can grasp its meaning by using...

- **Visual aids** (pictures, drawings, mime, etc.)
- **Word relations** (synonyms, antonyms, classification, etc.)
- **Pictorial schemata** (Venn diagrams, grids, tree diagrams, etc.)
- **Definition, explanation, examples, anecdotes**
- **Context** (embedding the word in a sentence that reveals its meaning)
- **Word roots and affixes** (esp. for Greek and Latin-based terms)

Stage 2: Check Understanding
Make certain that learners have truly understood the correct meaning through exercises such as...

- **Fill in the blanks** in a passage with the appropriate words
- **Matching pairs** (synonyms, antonyms, definitions, pictures)
- **Sorting** (into categories, such as "mammals," "reptiles," "birds")
- **Pictorial Schemata** (e.g., check off characteristics of items on grids)

Stage 3: Consolidate
Help learners relate the new word to their personal experience and use it in a context that is meaningful to them through activities such as...

- **Problem-solving tasks** that require the learner to use the new word repeatedly when solving the problem (e.g., designing a weekend television schedule for a TV station)
- **Values clarification** (e.g., "qualities of an ideal spouse")
- **Write a story or dialog** using all (or most) of the new words
- **Discussion and/or role play** that require the use of the new words.
Inflated - Concise

along the line - like
as a matter of fact - in fact
at all times - always
at no time - never
at this point in time - now
at the present time - now, currently
because of the fact that - because
by means of - by
in the near future - soon
draw your attention - point out
called a meeting - met
due to the fact that - because
despite the fact that - although
on behalf of - for
in the event that - if
told his listeners that - said
due to the fact that - because
during the time that - while
once in a great while - seldom
called attention to the fact - reminded
came to a stop - stopped
draw to a close - end
for the purpose of - for
for the reason that - because
have the ability to - be able to, can
in light of the fact that - because
in order to - to
in regards to - on, about
in spite of the fact that - although, though
in the event that - if
in the final analysis - finally
in the nature of - like
in the neighborhood of - about
make decisions about - decide on
on the occasion of - when
on two separate occasions - twice
the level of water rose - the water rose
the majority of - most
the people who are located in - the people in
until such time - until
until such time as - until
with reference to - of, on, for, about
MAKE EACH WORD CARRY ITS WEIGHT

1. **In the event** that Ms. Potter cannot attend the meeting, mail her a copy of the plan.

2. The numbers **shown** in the spreadsheet offer the proof we need.

3. He refuses to attend practice **in spite of the fact that** it would be good for him.

4. She earned **in the neighborhood** of 1,000,000,000 RMB.

5. Hire someone who **has the ability** to create flowcharts.

6. **Because of the fact** that he stays up late, he doesn’t get enough sleep.

7. My last English teacher was somewhat more advanced in age than my present English teacher. His hair had turned mostly gray, but it still had some black flecks left in it.

8. We are going to North Carolina and West Virginia. Both of these are very beautiful states located in the southeastern portion of the country.

9. If a person looking for a job has a good physical appearance, a job in general will be easier to find. This is because an employer wants a person who is neat looking in appearance.

10. Well, it seems I kind of got off the track of what I was intending to write about, but I don’t really much care.

11. Regular gasoline is what is needed to make my car run. This fact makes my car an economical car, so practical and inexpensive at this time of rising prices and inflation.

12. **Because of the great amount of people** in such a small area, there is of course a high amount of crime in this same area.

15. In the fall of the year is the time when Jim likes to go hunting for elk. It is during that season that Jim heads off into the woods armed with his gun and his camera. In many cases Jim’s camera gets more use than his gun does.
CLEAR AS MUD

"Do you know how this thing works?" said Jim. "First you connect it here; then you put the end through that hole. After you turn on the switch, you plug this thing in there; and then you have power to run the other thing. Do you understand?"

"Oh sure!" said Bob. "That was CLEAR AS MUD! Do you mind explaining it to me again? I really didn't understand you the first time."

CLEAR AS MUD means:

1. you don't understand.
2. you do understand.
3. you like mud.

B. Is something CLEAR AS MUD when:

1. it is easy to understand? YES NO
2. it is difficult to understand? YES NO
3. it is said in a foreign language? YES NO

C. Vocabulary: What is a FOREIGN LANGUAGE?

D. Rewrite the following sentence using the idiom, CLEAR AS MUD:
I heard the lecture on space yesterday, but most of it was something I didn't understand.

E. Has anyone ever told you something that was CLEAR AS MUD? What?
IN ONE EAR AND OUT THE OTHER

Jill's teacher said, "Put your English books away, take out your math books, turn to page 155, and do all of the problems. When you are finished you may read a book."

Jill just sat in her chair and did not move. "Why aren't you working, Jill?" said her teacher. "I told you what your work is for today."

"I know you did," said Jill, "but I can't remember what you said. I was listening, but it WENT IN ONE EAR AND OUT THE OTHER!"

WENT IN ONE EAR AND OUT THE OTHER means:

_____ 1. You have a hole in your ear.

_____ 2. You do not remember what someone told you.

_____ 3. You were a good listener.

B. Would something GO IN ONE EAR AND OUT THE OTHER if:

1. You heard everything your teacher said? YES NO
2. You were not paying attention? YES NO
3. You followed directions? YES NO

C. Vocabulary: What are PROBLEMS?

D. Rewrite the following sentence using the idiom, WENT IN ONE EAR AND OUT THE OTHER: The doctor told me how many times to take my medicine, but it was hard for me to remember.

E. Who told you something that WENT IN ONE EAR AND OUT THE OTHER? What was it?
IDIOM TEST

Ace an exam
A piece of cake
Apple of his eye
As mad as a hornet
As nutty as a fruitcake
Axed
Bad mouth someone
Be my guest
Big cheese
Birthday suit
Broke
Bull in a China shop
Butter up or butter up to
Catch cold
Cat got your tongue
Chicken feed
Cold turkey
Cough up
Crack a book
Cry over spilled milk
Cry wolf
Cup of tea
Cut off your nose to spite your face
Dead ahead
Double-cross
Double-talk
Down in the dumps
Drop a line
Drop by (stop by)
Drop dead
Dutch treat
Eat your heart out
Eat your words
Every Tom, Dick and Harry
Fast buck
Fat chance
Flea market
Food for thought
Full of beans
Get off my back
Get to the point
Give my right arm
Go jump in the lake
Green thumb
Hang-up
Hit the ceiling
Hit the hay (sack)
Holy cow
Hot water
I'll buy that!
In a nutshell
In the red
Jump down my throat
Kangaroo court
Kick the bucket
Make believe

Receive an almost perfect score
Very easy
Cherished person
Very angry
Very crazy
Fired from a job
To criticize someone
Help yourself
Top executive of a company
Completely naked
Have no money
A dummy or tactless person
Become friends by flattery
To become ill
Person is not willing to talk because of shyness
A small sum of money
Stopping something abruptly
To give money unwillingly
To study
Complain about something that has happened
To give a false alarm
Something you enjoy or do well or easily
To make things worse for yourself because of anger
Exactly in front
To promise one thing and do another
Wording something to be misunderstood
Sad or discouraged
To write and mail a note or letter
To make a short or unplanned visit
Stop bothering me or go away
Everyone pays for his or her own way
Grieve long and hopelessly
To be forced to take back something you said
Everyone in general
Money earned quickly and easily
Little or no possibility
Place where used items and antiques are sold
Something that is worth thinking about
You don't know what you're talking about
Leave me alone
Talk about the important idea
Willing to give something valuable to get something
Go away and stop bothering me
Ability to garden successfully
A delay in some process
To become very angry
To go to bed
Expression of strong feeling, similar to "Wow!"
Having trouble
I agree with you
In a few words, briefly
In an unsuccessful or unprofitable way
To suddenly become very angry with me
Self-appointed disciplinary group - unfair judgment
To die
To act as if something is true, pretend
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<td>Wrap up</td>
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<td>Yes man</td>
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<td>To look or smell very good to eat</td>
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<td>Have more money than necessary</td>
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<td>To make sure</td>
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<td>A race or contest that is nearly equal</td>
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<td>Very seldom or never</td>
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<td>Easy to do something</td>
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<td>A story to make someone pity you</td>
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<td>Hurry</td>
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<td>To defend against attack</td>
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<td>Very filling food that keeps you from getting hungry</td>
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<td>Darling or sweetheart</td>
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<td>To write or record</td>
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<td>To be careful</td>
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<td>To leave fast</td>
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<td>To not believe everything</td>
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<td>To mislead or deceive someone</td>
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<td>To give up or admit defeat</td>
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<td>To hitchhike</td>
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<td>To get married</td>
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<td>To live on less money than usual</td>
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<td>Top executive of a company</td>
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<td>To put on clothes or shoes to see if they fit</td>
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<td>To become interested in something</td>
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<td>In trouble or difficulty</td>
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<td>To be in good health or physical condition</td>
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<td>To serve food as a waiter or waitress</td>
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<td>To feel happy and excited</td>
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<td>Be careful</td>
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<td>Not experienced</td>
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<td>A very valuable person, usually an employee</td>
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<td>To put on warm clothes</td>
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<td>A person who always agrees with the boss</td>
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MORE IDIOMS

Hop to it
Got on the ball
I ran into (so and so)
Level with me
Hang in there
Take it easy
Off to a flying start
Time flies
Lend me a hand
Cutting it close
Knock me over with a feather
Go fly a kite
Hit the road
Go haywire
Like looking for a needle in a haystack
Tough as leather (eg. Steak)
Work yourself into a lather
Wiped out
Out of this world
Good breeding (eg. she comes from good breeding)
Eat crow
Eat humble pie
Bark up the wrong tree
Chew the fat
Jump the gun
Shoot the breeze
Get hitched
Tie the knot
Buszz off
What's the scoop? (word, buzz)
He is flying high
He blew it
Look for greener pastures
Dyed-in-the-wool (sports fan, etc)
Caught in a bind
All tied up
Idioms of the day: Pass out new list of idioms (12) and discuss them

skin of my teeth---------------------------just in time
I just missed being hit by that car by the skin of my teeth!

breaks my heart/broke my heart------feel sad or very disappointed
It breaks my heart that we didn’t get to see the movie.

cross my mind-----------------------------think about it, come to mind
It didn’t even cross my mind that you wanted to go with us.

see eye to eye-----------------------------agree about something
Sometimes my friends and I don’t always see eye to eye.

shop until you drop-----------------------shop for a long time
I’m going to the market and I’m going to shop until I drop!

no problem----------------------------agree about something
You want me to go with you? No problem, I’d be glad to go.

older than dirt-------------------------------someone or something very old
This dress (shirt) I’m wearing is older than dirt.

kill a little time------------------------have a little extra time
The train is late so I have a little time to kill.

come down with---------------------------become ill
Every time winter comes, I seem to come down with a cold.

count on----------------------------depend on, rely on
My friends are so great, I know I can always count on them.

do away with-----------------------------get rid of, eliminate
Maybe the school will do away with these long night classes.

draw up-------------------------------write, draft (such as plans)
Tonight I’m going to draw up my goals for this next week.
Proverbs are common, wise, or thoughtful sayings that are short and often applicable to different situations. Every culture and language has its own, from the ancient Chinese “A picture is worth a thousand words” (Confucius) to the American “A stitch in time saves nine.” Here are a few:

**Animals:**
- Birds of a feather flock together
- When the cat’s away the mice will play
- He who lies down with dogs gets up with fleas.
- A bird in the hand is worth two in the bush.
- The early bird catches the worm.
- Curiosity killed the cat.
- You can’t teach an old dog new tricks.
- Let sleeping dogs lie.
- Don’t change horses in the middle of the stream.
- You can lead a horse to water, but you can’t make it drink.

**Food:**
- Don’t cry over spilt milk.
- The proof of the pudding is in the eating.
- Many cooks spoil the broth.
- You can’t have your cake and eat it too.
- An apple a day keeps the doctor away.
- Half a loaf is better than none.

**Money:**
- A penny saved is a penny earned.
- Time is money.
- Lend your money and lose your friend.
- Money burns a hole in your pocket.
- All that glitters is not gold.
- A fool and his money are soon parted.
- Early to bed and early to rise makes a man healthy, wealthy, and wise.

**Nature:**
- It never rains but it pours.
- A rolling stone gathers no moss.
- Make hay while the sun shines.
- Every cloud has a silver lining.
- Leave no stone unturned.
- One tree doesn’t make a forest.
- Still waters run deep.
- The grass always looks greener on the other side.

**Relationships:**
- Marry in haste, repent at leisure.
- If you can’t beat them, join them.
- Familiarity breeds contempt.
- Short visits make long friends.
- A faint heart never won a fair lady.
- Like father, like son.
- Good fences make good neighbors.
- A friend in need is a friend indeed.
- Absence make the heart grow fonder.
  (or go yonder)

**Miscellaneous:**
- If the shoe fits wear it.
- People who live in glass houses shouldn’t throw stones.
- Two wrongs don’t make a right.
- The pen is mightier than the sword.
- Necessity is the mother of invention.
- Actions speak louder than words.
- Haste makes waste.
- He who hesitates is lost.
- Look before you leap.
- Beggars can’t be choosers.
- A stitch in time saves nine.
- Two heads are better than one.
- Many hands make light work.
- Strike while the iron is hot.
- Where there is smoke there is fire.
- Out of the frying pan and into the fire.
- A watched pot never boils.
- Fool me once, shame on you.
  Fool me twice, shame on me.

**Other:**
Dueling Proverbs -match a proverb in column one with the contrasting proverb in column two:

1. Clothes make the man.       A. Out of sight, out of mind.
2. The grass is always greener on the other side.   B. Don’t judge a book by its cover.
3. Action speaks louder than words.   C. There’s no place like home.
4. Absence makes the heart grow stronger.   D. Idle hands are the devil’s workshop.
5. All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy.   E. The pen is mightier than the sword.