About the Collection...

This collection was started in September of 1995 to provide School districts with ready access to ESOL/BE materials.

The purpose of this collection is to provide materials for teaching English to speakers of other languages. It provides resources for bilingual, multi-cultural, and migrant education. The collection is housed in the William Allen White Library at Emporia State University.

Currently the collection contains over 3,700 ESOL/BE materials including texts, content-based texts, research-based materials, children's fiction for the support of native-language literacy, audio and video tapes in English and over 30 different languages. Thanks to the availability of inter-library loan, educators throughout the state are able to borrow the materials in the collection simply by requesting them from their local school or public libraries. Through the generosity of publishers, authors, and private donors, this collection continues to grow.

The William Allen White Library has generously provided space and staff for the collection. Funding for the project is provided in part by the U.S. Dept. of Education, Office of Bilingual Education and Minority Language Affairs, Title VII grant to the Kansas State Dept. of Education.

How to find books and resources...

The catalog for this collection can be viewed on-line. Go to http://whitelib.emporia.edu . Search by title, author, call number or subject. Limit search by location: ESOL collection. For example, to view the list of materials available in the Spanish language, search by subject, Spanish language and limit location by ESOL collection.

The collection includes materials in English, as well as:

American Sign Language	Italian	Serbo-Croatian (Roman)
Albanian	Japanese	Sino-Tibetan (Other)
Amharic	Khmer	Spanish
Arabic	Korean	Tagalog
Bengali	Lao	Tamil
Chinese	Norwegian	Thai
French	Panjabi	Turkish
German	Persian	Urdu
Gujaruti	Portuguese	Vietnamese
Hebrew	Russian	Welsh
Hmong	Serbo-Croatian (Cyrillic)	Yoruba

Materials may be borrowed through Inter-Library Loan by using the services offered at local school or public libraries. In addition, visitors to Emporia State University may utilize the collection on-site.

How the collection is funded...

This collection is housed through the generosity of ESU and is funded in part by the State Title VII Federal grant to the Kansas State Dept. of Education. Other supporters include private donations and the many publishers who have given materials to make this project possible.

Donations of relevant materials can be made by contacting the Kansas State Dept. of Education at the address given below. This project has been created with limited funding and your support will be greatly appreciated. Contact the department for further information and questions.

Special thanks...
Many hours of work went into the creation of the collection. Thanks goes to the William Allen White Library staff for their tireless efforts on this project.

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