

Access thousands of resources on **scoilnet**



With almost 24,000 curriculum-tagged resources now in its database, *Scoilnet* provides a wide variety of resources for every subject in the classroom. The choice can sometimes be daunting but finding the correct resource is made much easier through the website's sophisticated search function and the useful **Themapages** which group topics under key subject areas such as maths, history and science.

Whether you are looking for quality PE resources or links to EAL supports, there is something to suit every level. Choose from presentations, videos, worksheets and more to enhance teaching and learning in your classroom.

New and useful pages are often highlighted in the **Spotlight** section of the homepage, and on the primary and post-primary pages.

If you want to take even more ownership of your thematic planning, log on to your *Scoilnet* account and group

resources together based on a subject or topic to create a learning path.

Registered teachers can also share their own teaching resources through *Scoilnet*. Log on to the site and click the **Add a Resource** tab. Over the past year, more than 1,600 resources were shared on the site.

Britannica School

As well as offering the above resources, *Scoilnet* also provides licensed content to teachers and learners. This content is easily accessible on the *Scoilnet* homepage.

Promoted as the place to go for fast, reliable information for homework, reports or lesson content, *Britannica School* has material for every level of

learner from pre-primary to secondary and beyond. As part of the licensing arrangement with *Scoilnet*, access to the service is available everywhere in the Republic of Ireland. This is authenticated with the IP address of the user. *Britannica School* runs regular workshops and webinars throughout the year to inform teachers about how to use the site efficiently. Information about these events can be found on our Twitter page [@ScoilnetPrimary](https://twitter.com/ScoilnetPrimary).

Irish Newspaper Archive

An interesting way of bringing history to life in the classroom is to read newspaper reports from the time. *Scoilnet* has access to the *Irish Newspaper Archive* which contains over 60 national and regional titles dating back to 1738. This archive is free to view in schools through the school's broadband network and home access is available when you log on to your *Scoilnet* account. Access the archive here: bit.ly/Scoilina.

Scoilnet maps



Schools and teachers have access to a full range of OSi maps through the *Scoilnet maps* initiative. Large scale maps, aerial photography and historic maps are available along with a suite of tools to bring them to life in class. Pupils can compare maps, look at elevation profiles, flood plains, historic monuments, population density, and changes. With so much emphasis on 'locality' in the curriculum, *Scoilnet maps* are incredibly useful. Several lesson activities and suggestions also accompany the maps to make it easy to use. Find out more at maps.scoilnet.ie.

Find out more

You can find all of these supports and more at scoilnet.ie.

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