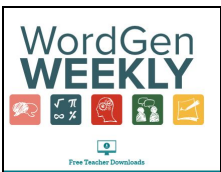




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Free Resources for ELs

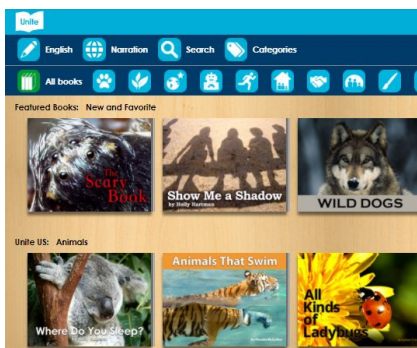


SERP Word Generation - [Sign Up for Free](#)

Word Gen Weekly offers a multi-disciplinary approach with academic vocabulary, science, math, reading, and writing about very engaging topics. Students debate and write claims using key vocabulary and evidence from their reading. In addition, there are resources for science, social studies, and math. Let us know if you want to learn more about this phenomenal resource!

 <p>Word Generation Elementary</p> <p>Interdisciplinary Academic Language for 4th and 5th Grades</p> <p>WordGen Elementary is comprised of 12 two-week units per grade level. It expands students' background knowledge and academic vocabulary, while emphasizing practices such as argumentation, analytic reasoning, reading for evidence, discussion, and writing.</p>	 <p>Science Generation</p> <p>Science Curriculum for Middle School</p> <p>Inspired by the original Word Generation program, Science Generation focuses on science topics commonly taught to 6th, 7th, and 8th graders. These 18 week-long units provide opportunities to read, write, discuss, and build arguments about basic questions in science. A digital dashboard of teacher resources recently added.</p>	 <p>Social Studies Generation</p> <p>Social Studies Curriculum for Middle School</p> <p>Inspired by the original Word Generation program, Social Studies Generation (SoGen) goes in-depth on topics commonly taught to 6th, 7th, and 8th graders. These curricular materials provide opportunities to read, write, discuss, and build arguments about basic questions in history, geography, and government.</p>
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Unite For Literacy



Free ebooks in multiple languages to ensure that students and families have access to an abundance of books that celebrate their cultures and languages. <https://www.uniteforliteracy.com>



Duolingo

A free language-learning website and mobile app. Lessons give students feedback and practice. <https://schools.duolingo.com/>

ELPA21 Summative Assessment - 2021 Testing Window February 8 - March 19

[NE Portal](#) for All Announcements and Resources

Test Administrators - [General Information](#)

Test Administrators - [Training Modules](#)

[Technology Coordinators](#)

December and January are great months to provide multiple practice opportunities for your in-person and remote EL students in preparation for the summative assessment. Practice tests can be accessed on the [NE Portal](#).

[NE EL Program Leader Timeline](#) is a new resource to support program leaders in planning for important tasks in an annual overview format. Check it out!

In preparation for summative testing, NDE's EL Department will offer Zoom office hours (central time) for anyone who has questions or would like support. Feel free to pop in as your schedule permits. This may be especially helpful for new Test Administrators but is open to anyone. Zoom link.:

<https://educationne.zoom.us/j/4024714694>

- Tuesday, January 19th 10-11
- Wednesday, January 20th 3-4
- Wednesday, January 27th 10-11
- Wednesday, February 3rd 10-11
- Wednesday, February 3rd 3-4

[Nebraska CAFE \(Community and Family Engagement\)](#) Next Virtual Meeting is January 27, 2021

10-11am: <https://ncfl.zoom.us/j/94012759383>

Questions

Please contact us with any questions or concerns regarding your EL students.



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