

LANGUAGES OTHER THAN ENGLISH (LOTE)

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LMERC is a DE&T specialist resource centre supporting programs and curriculum in Victorian schools predominantly in the areas of ESL, Languages, Multicultural Education, Koorie Education, Studies of Asia and anti-racism education. LMERC Library catalogue is now available on line at http://www.sofweb.vic.edu.au/lem/lmerc/lib_online_cat.htm

The LMERC Library houses over 24,000 items, including non-fiction, fiction and reference books, big books and picture books, videotapes, audiocassettes, CDs, and CDROMS, posters and cultural items, and includes materials in over forty languages. For a full list of publications available for sale from LMERC, see <http://www.sofweb.vic.edu.au/lem/lmerc/docs/bookorder.doc>

Resources available on loan to schools from LMERC include:

Using the LOTE planning framework: a package to assist schools in the design, development and sustainability of their LOTE Programmes, © Commonwealth of Australia, 2000

Publications for teachers

Languages-specific curriculum materials that promote literacy and student engagement in learning languages are available in Chinese, French, German, Greek, Indonesian, Italian, Japanese and Korean. These materials support student visits to the National Gallery of Victoria, Melbourne Zoo, Royal Botanic Gardens, Immigration Museum, Melbourne Museum, Sovereign Hill Museum and Centre for Environment and Educational Strategies (CERES) and are available by contacting the Education Officers within the relevant organisations.

curriculum@work

Online teacher-support materials in seven languages (under development). French and Indonesian are now available. Japanese, Chinese, Greek, Italian and German will progressively become available on the curriculum@work website at www.eduweb.vic.gov.au/curriculumatwork/Index.htm .

Professional Development

Professional development is conducted by
Asia Education Foundation
Phone: 8344 4800

The following organizations can be contacted at <http://www.lotelinx.vic.edu.au/>:

- Association of French Teachers in Victoria
- Association of German Teachers of Victoria
- Chinese Language Teachers' Association of Victoria
- Japanese Language Teachers' Association of Victoria
- Modern Greek Teachers' Association of Victoria
- Victorian Arabic Language Teachers' Association
- Victorian Association of Teachers of Italian
- Victorian Association for Teachers of Spanish
- Victorian Indonesian Language Teachers' Association
- Vietnamese Teachers' Association of Victoria

Organisations

MLTAV (Modern Language Teachers Association of Victoria)
Phone: 9349 5759
Email: mltav@netspace.net.au

Websites

ESL, Multicultural Education, LMERC and Languages
www.sofweb.vic.edu.au/lem/

Resources for parents/caregivers

Linking Languages and Literacy – brochure available from LMERC
Linking LOTE to the Early Years – booklet available at
www.sofweb.vic.edu.au/lem/lote/pdfs/linking.pdf