



English Language Learner
(ELL) Reference Center



ELL Reference Center – Product Overview

English Language Learner Reference Center is designed for English language learners (ELLs) in schools & public libraries

- Foundation articles – core content, aligned to Curriculum
- Additional content – expands on concepts
- Search experience designed specifically for ELLs
- Text-to-Speech/Read Out Loud feature for all articles
- Suited for ELL researcher to use independently



About Course Crafters

- EBSCO Publishing has partnered with Course Crafters in the creation of *English Language Learner Reference Center*
- Course Crafters is a leader in the development of successful ELL/ESL instructional materials for the ELL market since 1993
- Authored/developed successful ELL products for Scholastic, LeapFrog, Berlitz & Harcourt
- Published the most comprehensive market research on the ELL market: *The Course Crafters Guides to the English Language Learner (ELL) Market*



Foundation Documents

- Foundation documents have been created to reflect age-appropriate interest levels
- ELL Reading Level – elements used include:
 - Word usage
 - Sentence structure
 - Sentence length
 - Phrasing & grammar
- Illustrations, Images & Diagrams – to solidify understanding



ELL aligns to Curriculum Standards

ELL Reference Center content was created to align to curriculum standards used by most U.S. states:

- **Science**

- Astronomy & Space Science
- Earth & Environmental Sciences
- Life Science
- Physical Sciences & Chemistry
- Scientists
- Technology & Applied Sciences

- **History & Civics**

- U.S. Civics
- U.S. History
- World History
- Canadian Civics
- Canadian History



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- **Literature**

- Plot summaries
- Literary terms
- Author biographies

- **Life Skills**

- U.S. culture
- Canadian culture
- School & workplace skills
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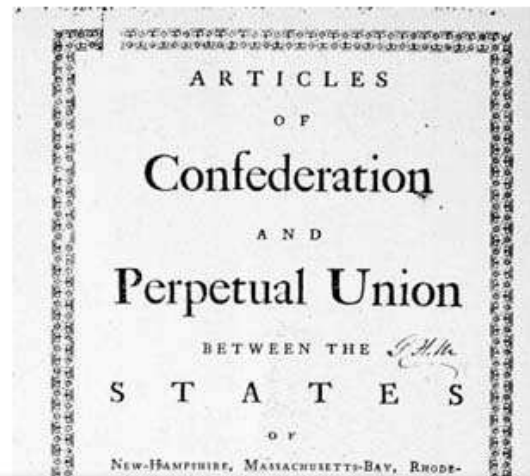
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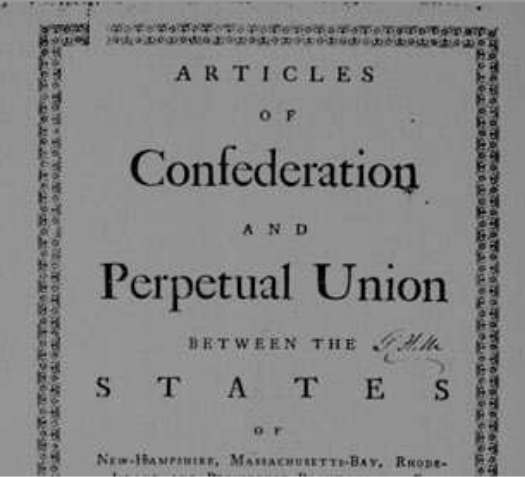
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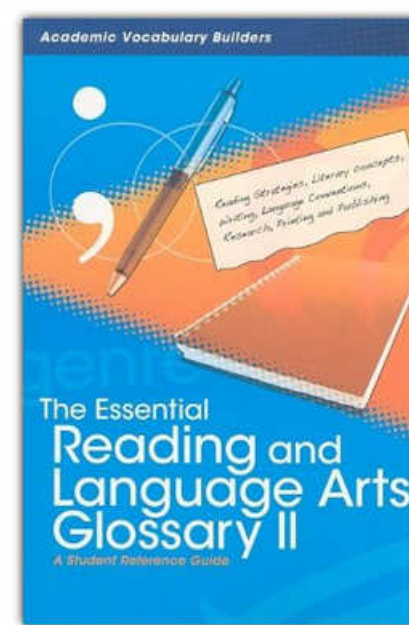
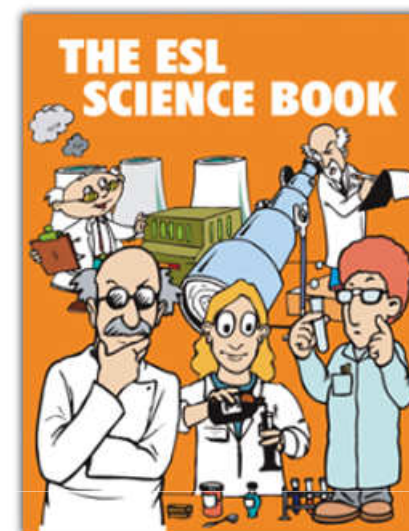
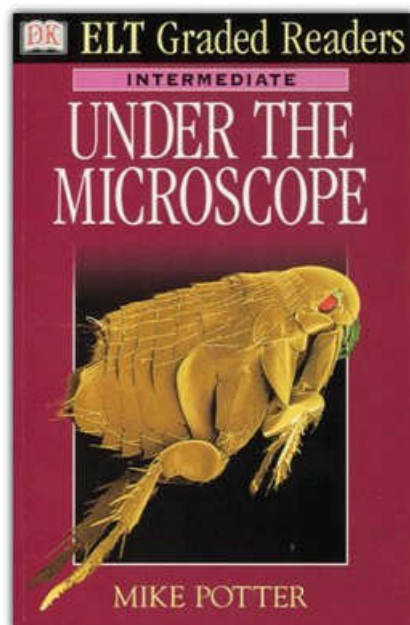
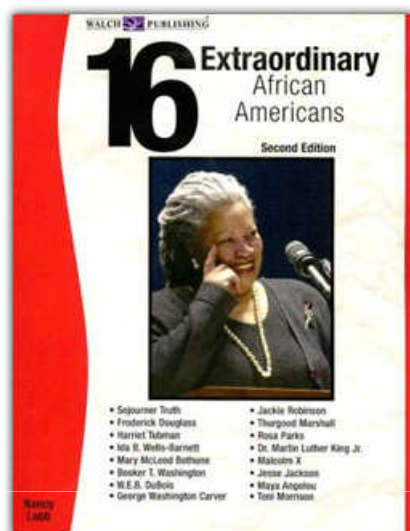
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