

Appendix A: Resource Matrix

Name of Resource	Description	AASL Best Digital Tools	Grade Levels			
			Elem	Middle	High	Adaptable
Booklists						
ALA Inclusive Booklists	Booklists highlighting diverse voices including racial diversity and gender identity.		●	●	●	●
ALA Review Resources List	A comprehensive list of book review resources.		●	●	●	●
Goodreads	Create and share virtual bookshelves, find booklists and recommendations, browse genre-based lists, read a-likes, and crowdsourced lists.		●	●	●	●
Goodreads Diversity Book Lists	Crowdsourced, inclusive book lists.		●	●	●	●
Literature Map	Type in an author's name to generate a word cloud of additional authors featuring the most "read alike" choices closest to your entry.		●	●	●	●
NovelList	A database that uses story elements, genre, a staff of librarians, and more to assist with reader advisory.		●	●	●	●
Social Justice Books—A Teaching for Change Project	A curated selection of multicultural and social justice books for children, YA, and educators.		●	●	●	●
What Should I Read Next?	Type in a title or author and receive a list of "read alikes." <i>Note: elementary use intended for upper elementary chapter books</i>		●	●	●	●

Creation tools						
Anchor	Create and share podcasts.	●		●	●	
Book Creator	Allows learners and educators to create original e-books and graphic novels.	●	●	●	●	●
Canva	Create flyers, slides, etc.	●	●	●	●	●
GarageBand	Create music and podcasts with a sound library and virtual studio.	●	●	●	●	●
Google Slides	Create presentations or posters.		●	●	●	●
iMovie	Edit, storyboard, and create videos (Apple product).		●	●	●	●
Make Beliefs Comix	Allows learners and educators to create comic strips of up to 18 panels.		●	●	●	●
Movie Maker	Create and edit videos and slideshows (Microsoft product).		●	●	●	●
Pixie	Create posters, trading cards, and stories.	●	●	●		●
Pixton	Create comics with a comic builder and content library.	●	●	●	●	●
Powtoon	Create animated videos and presentations.	●	●	●	●	●
Scratch	Program interactive stories, games, and animations.	●	●	●	●	●
Screencastify	Capture and share videos with this online video editor.		●	●	●	●
SlidesMania	Offers customizable slide templates for Google Slides and PowerPoint.	●	●	●	●	●
WeVideo	Video creation website with editing features and stock content.		●	●	●	

Collaborative tools						
Google Sites	This platform allows group website creation—multiple users can collaborate on the same website at the same time.		●	●	●	●
LibGuides	Curate all of the necessary or relevant information for learners’ access on one website.		●	●	●	●
Padlet	A collaboration tool to share ideas.	●	●	●	●	●
School-Public Library Partnerships	Resources created by the AASL/ ALSC/ YALSA Interdivisional Committee on school/public library cooperation.		●	●	●	●
Wakelet	This platform allows collaborators to work together on information collections. Use Wakelet to gather research notes or create a gallery of sources.	●	●	●	●	●
Data collection, surveys, collection management and policy support						
AASL Resources for Book Challenges	A list of resources to help school librarians navigate or prepare for book challenges.		●	●	●	●
ALA Selection & Reconsideration Policy Toolkit for Public, School, & Academic Libraries	A selection and reconsideration toolkit, including selection criteria and policy guidance.		●	●	●	●
Google Form	Create online forms or surveys and analyze results.		●	●	●	●
Learner/Library Collaboration Form	Survey to determine learner needs beyond the school library’s resources.		●	●	●	●
Sample Educator Survey	Survey to determine educator needs in the classroom.		●	●	●	●

Research tools						
AllSides	Identify media biases.	●		●	●	
ACT UP Method Overview	Source evaluation process, including bias and privilege assessment.		●	●	●	●
Britannica School	Online encyclopedia database.	●	●	●	●	●
Library of Congress Digital Map Collection	A searchable map collection that includes very specific locations with easy to see rights and access. This tool also offers a citation generator.		●	●	●	●
Native Land Digital	Interactive digital project promoting Indigenous history, culture, and practices through visualizing Indigenous territories and providing other resources and tools to educators.		●	●	●	●
NewseumED	Resources to cultivate the First Amendment and media literacy skills essential to civic life.	●	●	●	●	●
The News Literacy Project	A nonpartisan national education nonprofit with programs and resources for educators and the public.	●	●	●	●	●
New York Public Library Digital Collection	Many maps, images, and documents.		●	●	●	●
Politifact	Fact checks political news and rumors.				●	●
Question of the Day	A daily trivia question delivered to your email.		●	●	●	●
SIFT Overview	Walks the reader through the four steps of the SIFT process.				●	●
Smithsonian Learning Lab	Tool for curating themed digital collections using both Smithsonian collections and imported resources.		●	●	●	●

Teen Fact Checking Network	Run by the Poytner Institute, teens factcheck viral stories and show their research process.				●	●
Tree Octopus Website	A fake website created to help students evaluate sources.		●			
University of Louisville Lateral Reading Video	A quick introduction and justification of lateral reading.			●	●	
Untold	Free collection of short history videos and animations designed to engage new audiences.	●	●	●	●	●
USA Today Fact Checking	Fact checks stories in the news.			●	●	
U.S. Census	Specific maps and accurate detailed population information.			●	●	●
Using Google's Reverse Image Search	A quick tutorial on how to find a picture's origins online.		●	●	●	●
The Washington Post Fact Checking	Fact checks stories in the news.			●	●	
Wild Classroom	Activity plans and reference materials, including videos and kid-friendly scientific articles.	●	●	●	●	●
Worksheets, handouts, and other instructional tools						
Fun Fact Index Cards	Six example cards for the mix and mingle activity.		●	●	●	
Fun Fact Websites: 75 Animal Facts that Will Change the Way You View the Animal Kingdom World Wildlife Fund 42 Random Fun Facts	Websites quoting facts about various animals, varying in credibility.		●	●	●	

The Human Library homepage	The original inventors of the Human Library concept.		●	●	●	●
Human Library Projects: Calvert High School Washtenaw Community College Tompkins Cortland Library	Examples of how public and school libraries implemented the Human Library Project.				●	●
Venn Diagram	Venn diagram worksheet.		●	●	●	●