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British Library

http://www.bl.uk/

A joint project between the British Library and JISC has delivered an online sound archive, free to further and higher education. Following a significant digitization exercise by Memnon Audio Archiving Services, the Archival Sound Recordings (ASR) was launched on September 16, comprising 12,000 unique items in 3,900 hours of audio content. Coverage includes pop, jazz and classical music, traditional music recorded on location, oral history and radio drama. The service will also be available to visitors at the British Library reading rooms in London and York.

Google

http://www.google.com/

In conjunction with the Frankfurt Book Fair literacy campaign (LitCam), and UNESCO's Institute for Lifelong Learning, Google have launched the Literacy Project. Aimed at teachers and those involved in the promotion of literacy, reading and education, the Literacy Project Web page links to Google tools looking for finding books, maps, scholarly articles, videos, blogs and groups about literacy and for sharing literacy ideas and projects.

JISC

http://www.andrews-consultancy.com/jisc database assessment/

JISC has launched an online compare and contrast service for citation databases. The Academic Database Assessment Tool (ADAT) will allow librarians to compare the journal title and date coverage as well as editorial policies of different products before choosing to subscribe to an individual database. Hosted by Andrews Consultancy, with a launch on its own website due next year, products currently available for comparison include ISI Web of Science, ABI/Inform and the MLA International Bibliography.

EDINA Land, Life and Leisure

http://www.edina.ac.uk/

The University of Wales Aberystwyth is opening up the EDINA-hosted Land, Life and Leisure rural issues database to 60 public libraries across Pembrokeshire, Ceredigion and Carmarthenshire. Anyone in the three counties with a library card can now use the rural issues database, which was previously available only by subscription. Access is provided in the local public libraries, or via the Libraries Wales website at http://www.library.wales.org/. The CyMal-funded project, part of the Linc y Canolbarth collaboration scheme between libraries in Mid-Wales, is designed to widen access for farmers, small business owners, countryside workers and school students, providing them with access to the latest countryside information.

Wolters Kluwer

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Ovid have announced that exclusive online access to the Lippincott Williams and Wilkins (LWW) Journal Legacy Archive will be available on Journals@Ovid before the end of the year. The electronic archive comprises more than 3 million pages in 200 journals in health sciences, which will be cross-searchable with existing content. Subscribers who also subscribe to the LWW Total Access Collection will have access to the entire run of the journals titles, including current issues. LWW and Ovid are both owned by Wolters Kluwer.

The law and business arm of Wolters Kluwer are providing a collection of texts, templates, case records and current awareness products in a new online service. The Computer and Internet Law Integrated Library aggregates products from existing Wolters Kluwer publishers CCH, Aspen Publishers, Kluwer Law International and Loislaw.