



Report on the Online Waldorf Library

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Once again it has been a busy and productive year for the Online Waldorf Library, which began in 2001 and is now in its thirteenth year. The OWL continues to offer site visitors recent editions of national and international journals published about Waldorf education: Research Bulletin; Gateways; Waldorf Journal Projects; Waldorf Clearinghouse Newsletter Archive; Journal for Waldorf-Rudolf Steiner Education (New Zealand); Pacifica Journal Archive (Oceania & the Far East); Waldorf Science Newsletter Archive; Pedagogical Journal/Rundbrief; RoSE Research on Rudolf Steiner; Association for a Healing Education. And direct links to In Context, Lilipoh, Net Future, and Living Education Archive (Steiner Schools Fellowship, UK).

Our article database is nearing 1400 freely available articles from a number of resources including the North American journals, Research Bulletins and Gateways, as well as out of print journals from the UK and the USA.

Our book database tops 700 books currently available in English with 11 in Spanish, of which 9 are eBooks. Books and eBooks in Spanish are now easily found via a direct link on the Home page. Recently added is the eBook, *Una Segunda Casa: LifeWays Cuidado de Niños y Familias* by Cynthia Aldinger and Mary O'Connell.

The number of eBooks in English stands at 185 as of fall 2014. This year alone 54 new eBooks were added, with new titles being added each month. Our eBooks have become one of the most popular aspects of the OWL, our articles being second.

Our site visitor data indicates a continuing increase in the use of the OWL by visitors from all over the world. Over the past six months we have had nearly 62,000 site visits with 60% being returning visitors and 40% being new visitors. At this time 44% of those are from the US, 7% are Australian, 6.5% are from the UK, 6% from Canada, 4% from India, 2.5% from New Zealand, 2% from the Philippines, and the remainder are from Malaysia, Taiwan, Brazil and the rest of the world!

Site visitors who contact me directly continue to have a huge variety of questions. I help students with research and frequently suggest articles and books for those new to Waldorf education. Waldorf teachers contact me all year long looking for main lesson resources. Our eBooks have been a huge help to students, teachers and parents alike!

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