

Report on the Online Waldorf Library

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The Online Waldorf Library continues to help facilitate research and answer questions on a wide variety of topics. During the past few months teachers, teacher education students, and parents of children in Waldorf schools in South Africa, the UK, Sweden, China, Pakistan, Italy, Argentina, Mexico, and North America have frequented the OWL site for research and reading materials.

Recent topics of interest include: nutrition, plays for the lower grades, the twelve senses, the handwork curriculum, teaching geometry, transition time verses and poems for use in nursery and preschool, the science curriculum, adapting fairy tales to public school programs, and home schooling resources and questions. Interest in our website has grown steadily since its creation in 2001 and we now welcome over 1,000 visitors weekly.

The area of our website that draws the most visitors is the Online eBooks, which are available to anyone who has Adobe Reader X (a new and important free upgrade) installed on their computer. There are now over 70 eBooks available including these new additions:

- *Rudolf Steiner's Observations on Adolescence* edited by David Mitchell and Christopher Clouder
 - *Adventures in Parenting* by Rachel Ross
 - *Developing the Observing Eye* by Cynthia Murphy-Lang
 - *Genesis of Waldorf High School* edited by Douglas Gerwin
 - *Modelar (Modeling)* by Arthur Auer, translated into Spanish
 - *Plays for Puppets and Marionettes* collected by Bronja Zahlingen
- as well as several others.

To find our eBooks, go to the Focus Search page and click on Online Book under Resource Type.

Recent additions to our Journals page include *Waldorf Journal Project #17* edited by David Mitchell entitled "From Images to Thinking," and also *Waldorf Science Newsletter* Volume 17, number 27. The OWL features all the back issues of *Gateways*, the journal of the Waldorf Early Childhood Association. Issue #59, Fall/Winter 2010 is now available online as well as all issues dating back to 1995. All back issues of the *Research Bulletin* may also be accessed. Direct links to *Lilipoh*, *In Context*, *Net Future*, and other journals are all on the Journals page.

The Online Waldorf Library invites your questions and comments and appreciates your interest and support!

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