



How to get started with Twitter

The only way to learn is by doing, but the steps below can help you get to know the main function buttons and explore how Twitter works.

1. **Sign up** at www.twitter.com in seconds.
2. **Search** Tweets relating to your interests (use **hashtags**, e.g., #AusELT, to help).
3. **Favorite** particular Tweets for later reading or reference.
4. **Follow** people who Tweet about the kind of thing you are interested in (check their past Tweets to get an idea).
5. **Settings** let you add a picture, a profile and a background.
6. **Retweet** (RT) to pass useful information, questions or requests for help on to your followers.
7. **Reply** to thank someone for a useful Tweet, ask a question or make a comment.
8. **Tweet** your own links, questions or comments.
9. **@Connect** (on the top menu bar) allows you to see if someone has followed, retweeted, 'favorited' or mentioned you; check your **Direct Messages** (private messages) too. Use these opportunities to start a conversation.

If you have played around with all this, you are ready to have a go at participating in a live #AusELT chat on aspects of teaching and learning. See the #AusELT blog for more!

Enter search term here. Use a hashtag, e.g. #ELT, for more focused results.

Click here to check for Direct Messages and change your Settings.

Click here to write a Tweet.

english australia

People

English Australia @English_Aus
English Australia is the national peak body for the English language sector, representing over 100 member colleges throughout Australia.

Click on picture, name or @name to get more information.

Click here to follow.

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@English_Aus
 @TeachingEnglish
 @ShellTerrell
 @sandymillin
 @michaelegriffin
 @teflerinha
 @vickyloras
 @sophiakhan4
 @Eslkazyb
 @trylingual
 @ElkySmith
 @ciocas
 @TESOLatMQ
 @krisawal

Useful links

#AusELT blog
<http://auselt.wordpress.com>

ASD Tech Tips: How to sign up for Twitter (video)
<http://ow.ly/dKLMs>

English Australia Twitter Guide
<http://ow.ly/dKLNH>

Chiew Pang: Unofficial Index to Educational Twitter Hashtags
<http://ow.ly/dKKGd>

Edudemic: 100 ways to use Twitter in education, by degree of difficulty
<http://ow.ly/dKKQG>

Syded: Teachers – the 10 stages of Twitter
<http://ow.ly/dKKXw>

Mention someone's @name and they will be notified of your Tweet.

Kyle Smith @ElkySmith 6 Jun
 Was very excited to receive the latest @English_Aus Journal today - looks lovely :-) Looking forward to reading it. #auselt #qldelt
 Retweeted by English Australia
 Collapse Reply Retweet Favorite

Click here to reply.

Click here to retweet.

Click here to add this Tweet to your 'Favorite' list and return to it later.

Hashtags make it possible for followers and non-followers to search and follow the same Tweets.