

Copyright Free Resources

<http://school.discoveryeducation.com/clipart/>

<http://us.fotolia.com/Info/Images/FreePicsOfTheWeek>

<http://www.freefoto.com/index.jsp>

<http://www.pics4learning.com/>

<http://incompetech.com/music/royalty-free/>

<http://www.school-clipart.com/>

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http://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/Main_Page

Wikimedia.org. With more than 17 million media files available and guaranteed Creative Commons, this is a great place to find quality images (though many strike me as nonprofessional).

<http://unrestrictedstock.com/>

Unrestricted Stock: A mix of stock photos and vectors, this site is entirely free and everything may be used for commercial purposes, according to its license agreement. I wouldn't say there are a ton of options on this site, but everything I have seen is of good quality.

<http://www.freedigitalphotos.net/>

FreeDigitalPhotos.net: Only the small sizes of images are free. And keep in mind that they require attribution on all free images used (HTML code is offered, too), and your email address must be provided.

<http://www.usa.gov/Topics/Graphics.shtml>

USA.gov: By far the most random site on this list, the U.S. government has provided a list of sites with images on offer from such sources as the national archives and NASA. They warn that not all images on the sites are in the public domain, so double-check. However, I've sniffed around about four sites and they are practically begging me to take the images.

<http://www.stockphotosforfree.com/>

StockPhotosFree.com: They say the images are "royalty-free" and guarantee they can be used for commercial purposes. Unfortunately, I'd argue the quality of these stock images are the same as what I'd take on a holiday

<http://foter.com/>

Foter.com: Great range of images (but searches for "coffee" brought up a surprising number of images of young girls in suggestive situations). You can search for CC images specifically permitted for commercial use with the tick of a box.

<http://www.freemediagoo.com/>

FreeMediaGoo.com: Minimal selection, very few themes. I wouldn't use it, despite its being royalty-free.

<http://freerangestock.com/>

FreeRangeStock: Royalty-free images abound, about 50 percent high-quality, 50 percent novice. It makes you jump through hoops to download images while promoting its brand via your social media accounts, so just scroll down the pop-up download window to ignore the cries for promotion.

<http://animalphotos.info/a/>

Animalphotos.info: Images of animals, categorized like a directory, all licensed under Creative Commons. After looking at macaques, stuffed ducks, and red shovelers, I can say the image quality is outstanding.

<http://carpictures.cc/cars/photo/>

CarPictures.cc: Lots of pictures of cars available under Creative Commons licenses. The quality of the images is quite good.

<http://compfight.com/>

CompFight.com: A search engine that can filter for only CC images on Flickr, as well as separately show some paid for Shutterstock images.

<http://search.creativecommons.org/>

Search.CreativeCommons.org: A great place to search for Creative Commons images across Flickr, Pixabay, Google Images, and Open Clip Art Library. While you can only do a search through one CC supplier at a time, it's a great starting point.

<http://photopin.com/>

Photopin.com: Created to help bloggers easily and correctly attribute photos, Photo Pin offers one of the more seamless user experiences on this list. Be sure to select the "commercial" tick box to search for CC images. (However, at the end of the day, this is just another site utilizing Flickr's API to present photos in an alternative view.)