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DATES TO REMEMBER IN APRIL

01 - April Fools Day - Read about the top [100 Hoaxes of All Time](#)

21 - Easter - Try [Easter Mad Libs](#) with your students!

22 - Earth Day - Get your students thinking about their eco-footprint with this [Footprint Calculator](#) or/and write an [Earth Day resolution](#).

25 - Poem in Your Pocket Day - [Ideas for your classroom or school](#)

Did you know that April is National Poetry Month?

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UPCOMING EVENTS

April 5 - [DEESL Day](#) (Development of Enriched ESL)

April 16-17-18 - AQUOPS ([3 day conference](#) about educational ICTs)

May 17 - IntenSIG Spring Gig - [View flyer](#)

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NATIONAL POETRY MONTH

April is indeed National Poetry Month! You don't need to be an expert in order to integrate poetry in your classroom. This [Poetry web event](#) presents exciting ways to use poetry in an ESL classroom. From types of poems, to formulas, to ways of introducing poetry.. we guarantee you will be looking forward to starting with your students!

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THE 3 ESL COMPETENCIES

In collaboration with the MEES ESL Programs team, [a series of web events about the three ESL competencies](#) was hosted by the Intensive ESL Community Project. The archives and resources can be found below. Whether you are a new or experienced teacher, this series is great to brush up on what the ESL competencies are about.



STEAMING in ESL

TECHNOLOGY with Nadia

1. This is a website with a long list of actions people could take to help the planet. Teachers could use this list to select actions according to the level of their students or simply give them [this link](#).

-Students could then use PosterMyWall (computer) or PicCollage (tablet) to make a poster about their top 3 things they could change in their life to help the planet

-Students could use Book Creator to make a short book with one page for each action they would take. (images, photos, text)

2. Online Earth Day Activities:
-[Earth Day Games 1 of 2](#)
-[Earth Day Games 2 of 2](#)
-[Earth Day activities](#)

Art

[Try the 30 Days of Art Challenge](#)

HÉLÈNE'S READING SUGGESTIONS for April

1. [An Egg is Quiet](#)

by Dianna Aston

2. [Under Earth Under Water](#)

by Aleksandra Mizielińska

3. [Canada's Natural Wonders](#)

by Joanne Richter

4. [The Art of Clean Up: Life Made Neat and Tidy](#)

by Ursus Wehrli

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