

The Research & Education Space - Connecting Publicly Held Collections and Archives to Inspire New Ways of Learning

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Since 2013, the Research and Education Space (RES) project has been working with teachers, students and academics, along with curators of world class digital collections and product developers to improve the resources and tools available in all levels of education. RES is a partnership between [Jisc](#), [Learning on Screen](#) and the BBC.

The BBC has built an open platform which indexes and organises the digital collections of libraries, museums, broadcasters and galleries to make their content more discoverable, accessible and usable to those in UK education and research. Images, TV and radio programmes, documents and text from world class organisations such as The British Museum, British Library, The National Archives, Europeana, Wellcome Trust and the BBC are all being indexed by RES. RES also enables developers to create digital educational products that will inspire learners, teachers and researchers by using applications powered by the RES platform.



The talk will outline the reasons that RES was developed, the research that helped shape the project's aims and objectives, along with the desired outcomes. It will describe seven problems with using the internet for research, teaching and learning and offer the RES solutions to these problems, and why they matter to collection holders, curators,



product developers, researchers, learners and educators.

The talk will describe the benefits of publishing data and media in a 'RES Friendly' manner, the opportunities that the platform offers to product developers, and how the platform could revolutionise access to digital cultural heritage in learning environments and beyond.

It will briefly show some products that have been developed on the RES platform, and finally provide information as to how collection holders and product developers can work with the RES platform.

