

Language references

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Languages — Resource guide



The print resources and materials listed in this document are useful starting points for language activities in schools and communities — some of these may be found in local/regional public libraries. Out-of-print materials may not be readily available, they are often held in collecting institutions such as the State Library of Queensland (Brisbane) or the Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies (Canberra).

The listing has been grouped into three categories:

- linguistic or language-related texts that include Queensland Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander languages. These would be useful for school communities researching particular local or regional languages
- education and curriculum — useful reference materials for teaching/learning programs
- general references — useful for school communities developing a general knowledge of languages.

Schools are encouraged to seek out language centres and other community groups in their local/regional areas who may possess language materials and other resources. Furthermore, such approaches could explore partnerships that can support the revival and teaching/learning of languages in their communities.

These networks should include established groups such as the Queensland Indigenous Education Consultative Committee (QIECC), Queensland History Teachers' Association (QHTA), Australian Curriculum Studies Association (ACSA), the Queensland Historical Society, universities and TAFE colleges, local government libraries, local museums and art galleries. Government departments employ experienced personnel who can provide valuable assistance and advice through involvement in school programs.

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