

Getting Started with Publishing in Peer-Reviewed Publications

Are you new to research?

Research by teachers is about what takes place in classrooms, schools, and communities. As experts in their classrooms, teachers share or report on this important work in various ways, such as in school or university meetings or when presenting at conferences. Many teachers ask about publishing their work—a step that can seem onerous. In this communication, we offer a few approaches to get started even if you are new to research and research writing.

As a new author, which journals should I consider for publishing my work? A good way to begin is to explore opportunities with your <u>peer-reviewed</u> regional TESOL affiliate publications. Twenty peer-reviewed affiliate journals and nearly 50 local newsletters are listed here. This is a great way to build up local scholarship in your TESOL context and get experience with the process of writing and publishing as well as connect with others doing research in your local area.

Peer-reviewed affiliate journals also offer opportunities to publish in more than one language. In Canada, for instance, <u>BC TEAL Journal</u> publishes in varieties of French as well as English. Based in Mexico, <u>MEXTESOL Journal</u> offers opportunities to publish in Spanish or English and welcomes contributions from all around the world.

The following list of **peer-reviewed international journals** welcome classroom-based research. Each provides online guidelines for authors and information about their publishing cycle.

- <u>Educational Action Research</u> (Taylor & Francis)
- *ELT Journal* (Oxford Academic)
- International Journal of Multicultural Education (PKP Publishing Services Network)
- International Journal of Leadership in Education (Taylor & Francis)
- Journal of Educational Change (Springer)
- Journal of Language, Identity & Education (Taylor & Francis)
- Language Arts (National Council of Teachers of English)
- Language Teaching Research (Sage)
- Reading Teacher (International Literacy Association)
- Teachers and Teaching: Theory and Practice (Taylor & Francis)
- The Asian EFL Journal (TESOL Asia/Australia)
- *The Literacy Trek* (Harputlu)

Would you like to try writing about your research in about 500 words? If you would like to share a research question you encountered or a solution you found, we invite you to contact research@tesol.org with your idea (briefly described in 200 words or less). If accepted, we will work with you to publish a 500-word post on Research Blogs. For examples, visit the TESOL English Language Bulletin, available to nonmembers and members, is also a great way to reach a wide, interested audience.

