



THE UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE

The Resource Centre in the National Office in Bromley has a list of educational material available for loan in DVD format. We are aware that many U3A groups have purchased equipment which allows them to use this format and also that many individual U3A members have now bought DVD players of their own. Over the last year we have purchased a considerable number of educational DVDs and we would like to publicise our large collection of material to encourage as many U3A groups as possible to use it.

Information on using the Resource Centre is provided on the back of the cover with contact addresses and telephone numbers.

If any of your group leaders would like a copy of the list please ask them to contact the Resource Centre giving name, U3A and full postal address, (NB: no lists can be sent by e-mail)

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RESOURCE CENTRE INFORMATION FOR USERS

The Resource Centre in the National Office in Bromley has a collection of non-book material available for all U3A groups to borrow free of charge, except for the cost of return postage. There are slides, videos, audiocassettes, CDs and DVDs available in many subject areas. Lists on all subjects are free and available on request.

To borrow items from the collection please contact the Resource Centre staff by letter, e-mail, fax or telephone (Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays between 9.30am and 4.00pm please) at the above address. Give the title of items you would like on loan and the date of the meeting at which you expect to use them. The earlier you send your request, the more likely you are to receive the items you want. Bookings can be made for up to nine months ahead.

Loans are for a period of three weeks and may be renewed on request if there is no other group waiting to use them. Items will be sent by post with a note telling you the date to return them. The reusable packing is strong but light. When you return the item to us please obtain a certificate of posting at the Post Office. This is free but can be used to re-claim the value of the item should the package go astray. There is no need to use registered post.

Three quarters of all U3As in Britain use the Resource Centre regularly for material to support and enhance their classes. If your group is not using us yet please pass this information on to your members and encourage them to contact us.

If we do not have what you need we can always try to obtain it (if it exists in non-book form) as new stock is being added all the time at the request of U3A members.

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