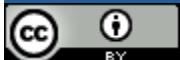


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## Moon

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The moon is much smaller than Earth. The moon's average radius (distance from its center to its surface) is 1,079.6 miles (1,737.4 kilometers), about 27 percent of the radius of Earth.

The moon is also much less massive than Earth. The moon has a mass (amount of matter) of  $8.10 \times 10^{19}$  tons ( $7.35 \times 10^{19}$  metric tons). Its mass in metric tons would be written out as 735 followed by 17 zeroes. Earth is about 81 times that massive. The moon's density (mass divided by volume) is about 3.34 grams per cubic centimeter, roughly 60 percent of Earth's density.

Because the moon has less mass than Earth, the force due to gravity at the lunar surface is only about 1/6 of that on Earth. Thus, a person standing on the moon would feel as if his or her weight had decreased by 5/6. And if that person dropped a rock, the rock would fall to the surface much more slowly than the same rock would fall to Earth.

Despite the moon's relatively weak gravitational force, the moon is close enough to Earth to produce tides in Earth's waters. The average distance from the center of Earth to the center of the moon is 238,897 miles (384,467 kilometers). That distance is growing -- but extremely slowly. The moon is moving away from Earth at a speed of about 1 1/2 inches (3.8 centimeters) per year.

The temperature at the lunar equator ranges from extremely low to extremely high -- from about -280 degrees F (-173 degrees C) at night to +260 degrees F (+127 degrees C) in the daytime. In some deep craters near the moon's poles, the temperature is always near -400 degrees F (-240 degrees C).

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A person on Earth looking at the moon with the unaided eye can see light and dark areas on the lunar surface. The light areas are rugged, cratered highlands known as *terrae* (TEHR ee). The word *terrae* is Latin for lands. The highlands are the original crust of the moon, shattered and fragmented by the impact of meteoroids, asteroids, and comets. Many craters in the *terrae* exceed 25 miles (40 kilometers) in diameter. The largest is the South Pole-Aitken Basin, which is 1,550 miles (2,500 kilometers) in diameter.

The dark areas on the moon are known as *maria* (MAHR ee uh). The word *maria* is Latin for seas; its singular is *mare* (MAHR ee). The term comes from the smoothness of the dark areas and their resemblance to bodies of water. The *maria* are cratered landscapes that were partly flooded by lava when volcanoes erupted. The lava then froze, forming rock. Since that time, meteoroid impacts have created craters in the *maria*.

The moon has no substantial atmosphere, but small amounts of certain gases are present above the lunar surface. People sometimes refer to those gases as the lunar atmosphere. This "atmosphere" can also be called an *exosphere*, defined as a tenuous (low-density) zone of particles surrounding an airless body. Mercury and some asteroids also have an *exosphere*.

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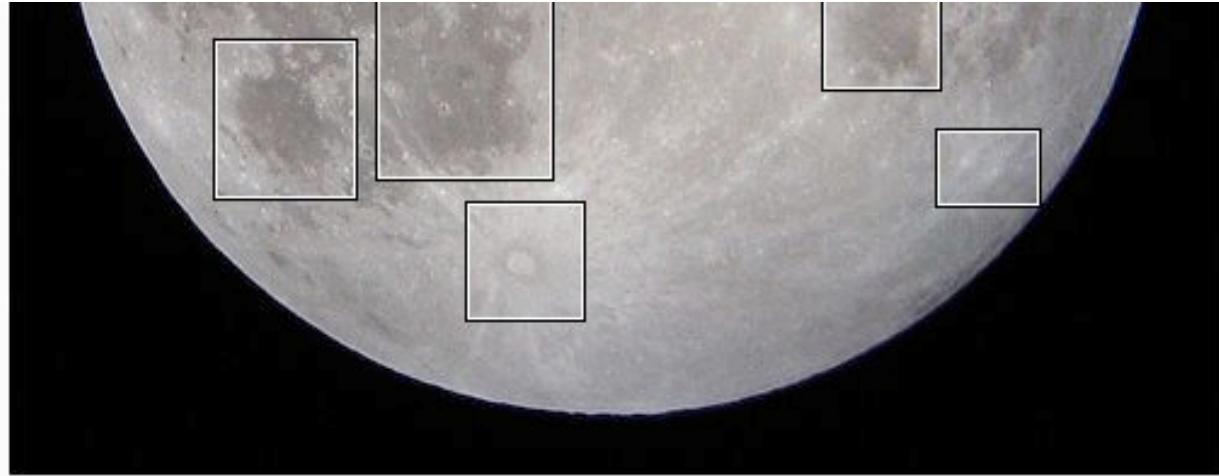
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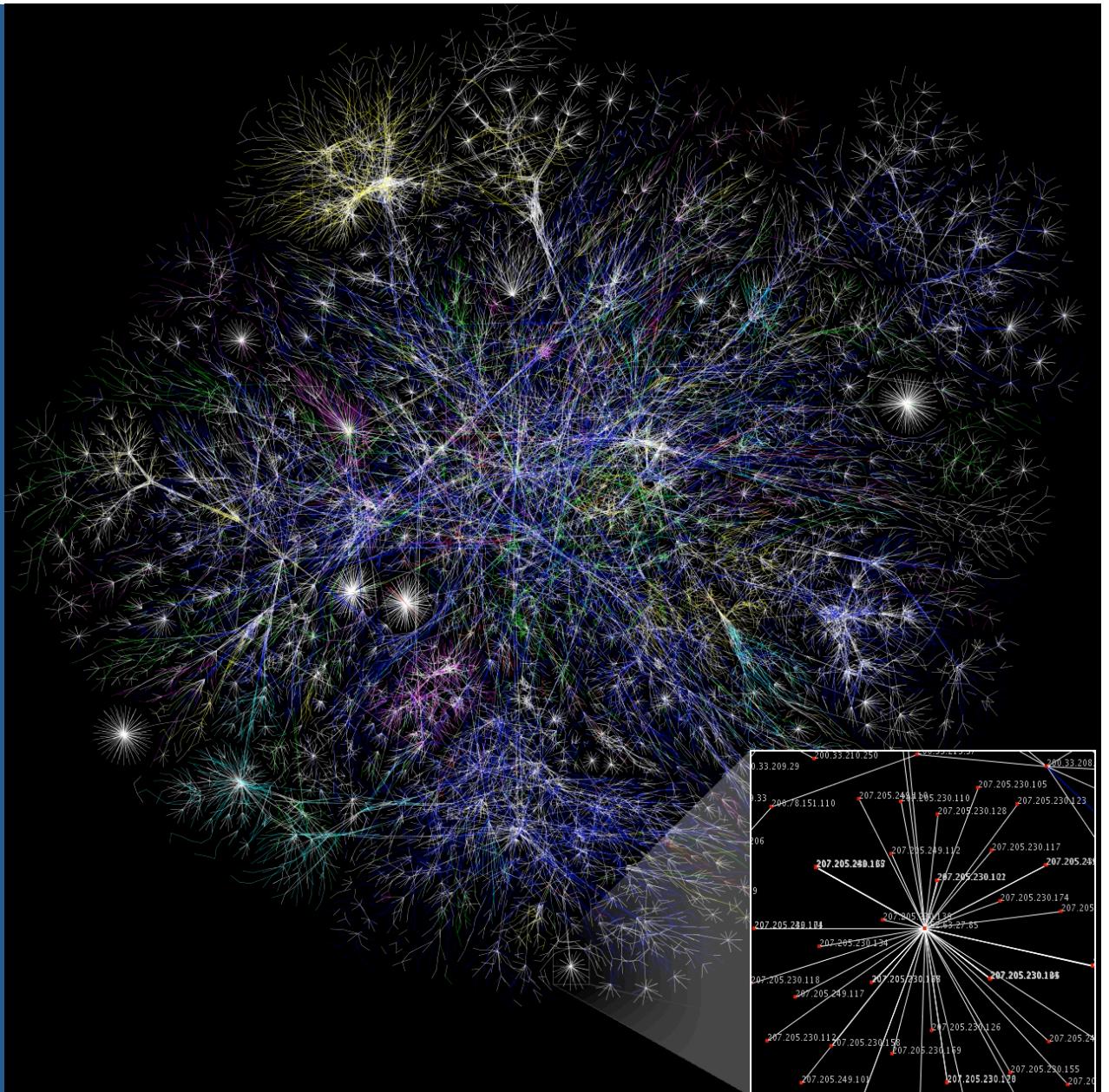


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# What are Open Educational Resources?



Digitized materials offered freely and openly for educators, students and self-learners to use and re-use for teaching, learning and research.\*

\*UNESCO. 2002. *Forum on the impact of Open Courseware for higher education in developing countries. Final report*. Paris: UNESCO.





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of knowledge  
materials...

Open education  
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available for anyone to use, share, and  
adapt to suit their educational needs.





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## Read the Declaration

### Cape Town Open Education Declaration: Unlocking the promise of open educational resources

We are on the cusp of a global revolution in teaching and learning. Educators worldwide are developing a vast pool of educational resources on the Internet, open and free for all to use. These educators are creating a world where each and every person on earth can access and contribute to the sum of all human knowledge. They are also planting the seeds of a new pedagogy where educators and learners create, shape and evolve knowledge together, deepening their skills and understanding as they go.

This emerging open education movement combines the established tradition of sharing good ideas with fellow educators and the collaborative, interactive culture of the Internet. It is built on the belief that everyone should have the freedom to use, customize, improve and redistribute educational resources without constraint. Educators, learners and others who share this belief are gathering together as part of a worldwide effort to make education both more accessible and more effective.

The expanding global collection of open educational resources has created fertile ground for this effort. These resources include openly licensed course materials, lesson plans, textbooks, games, software and other materials that support teaching and learning. They contribute to making education more accessible, especially where money for learning materials is scarce. They also nourish the kind of participatory culture of learning, creating, sharing and cooperation that rapidly changing knowledge societies need.

However, open education is not limited to just open educational resources. It also draws upon open technologies that facilitate collaborative, flexible learning and the open sharing of teaching practices that empower educators to benefit from the best



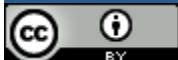
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Most digital media = “stuff you can see online for free”

→ fair-use and educational exceptions

OER = “stuff you can adapt and then share for ~~other~~ → to build on”

license to innovate





Open education supports skill development through

## Active learner participation

- finding
- evaluating
- generating knowledge

Skills gained:

- critical thinking
- creativity
- communication
- collaboration



**Open education supports equal  
education opportunity,  
regardless of  
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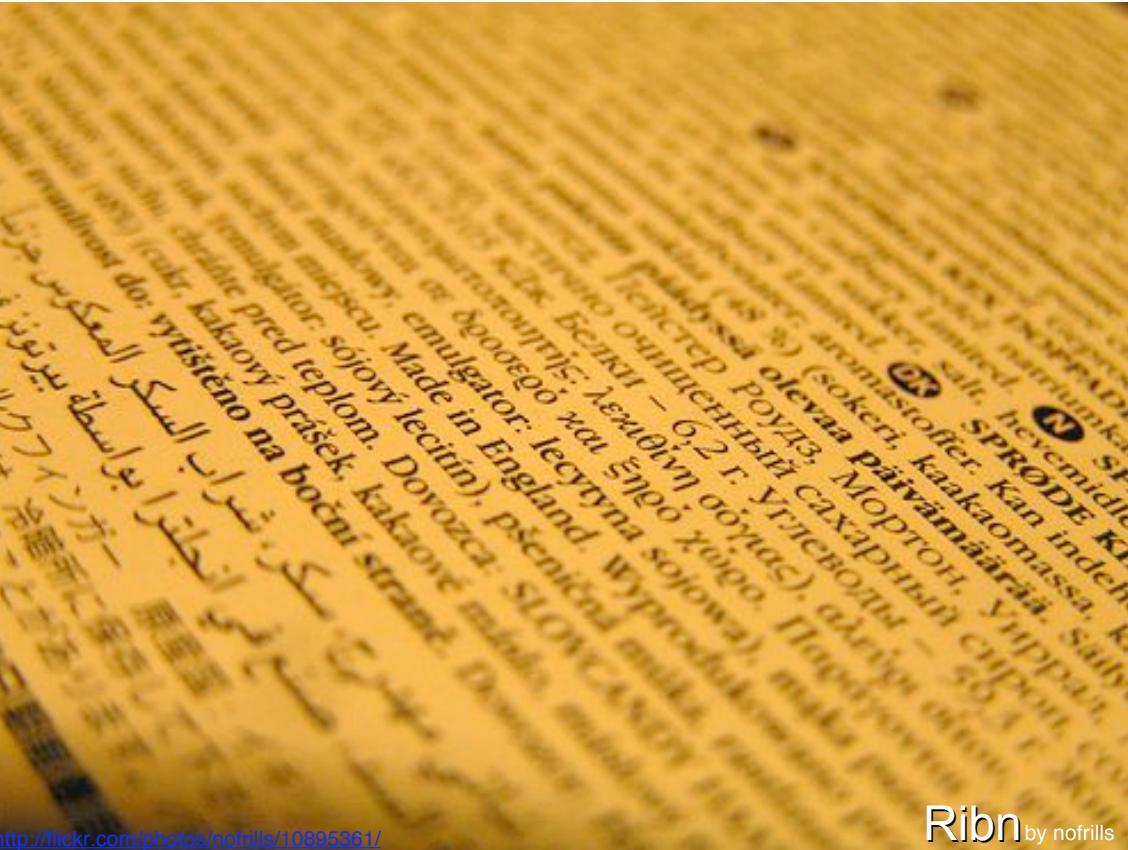
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- Open education supports**
- formal education
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Most teachers are highly motivated to **share knowledge**, not only with their students but with **anyone** who can benefit.

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is an uneducated child.

- George Santayana

Nothing in education is so astonishing as the  
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form of inert facts.

- Henry B. Adams

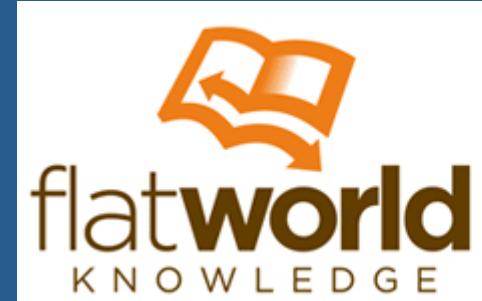


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The sidebar also includes a "Briefly..." section with a "Noncommercial" license icon and a brief description of the Creative Commons organization.

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Search help

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## Women In Engineering Organization

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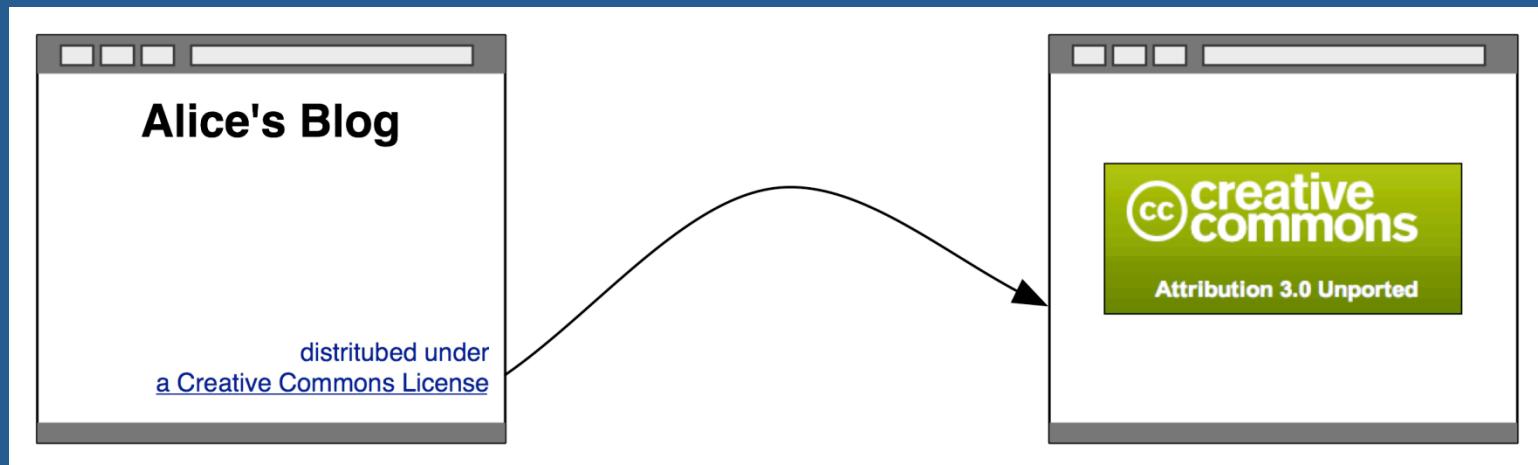
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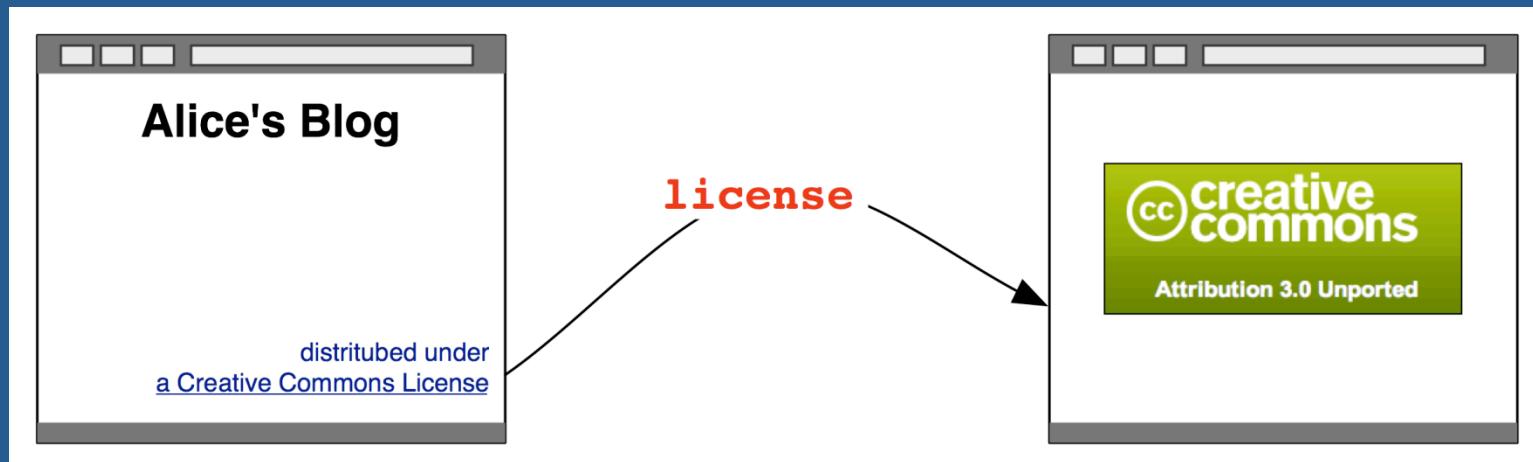


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<h3>Alice</h3>



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# Text with Flavor

```
<h2 property="dc:title">The Trouble with Bob</h2>
<h3 property="dc:creator">Alice</h3>
```

- Why `dc:title`, why not just `title`?
- Which meaning of "`title`"? Article title, job title, real estate title?
- `License` is a reserved HTML keyword, but `title` is not.
- We must "import" this concept from somewhere.
  - The Dublin Core vocabulary:  
<http://purl.org/dc/elements/1.1/>  
concepts including: `title`, `creator`, `copyright`, etc.
  - Note that it doesn't actually matter which vocabulary is used, as long as the machine can interpret the intent.





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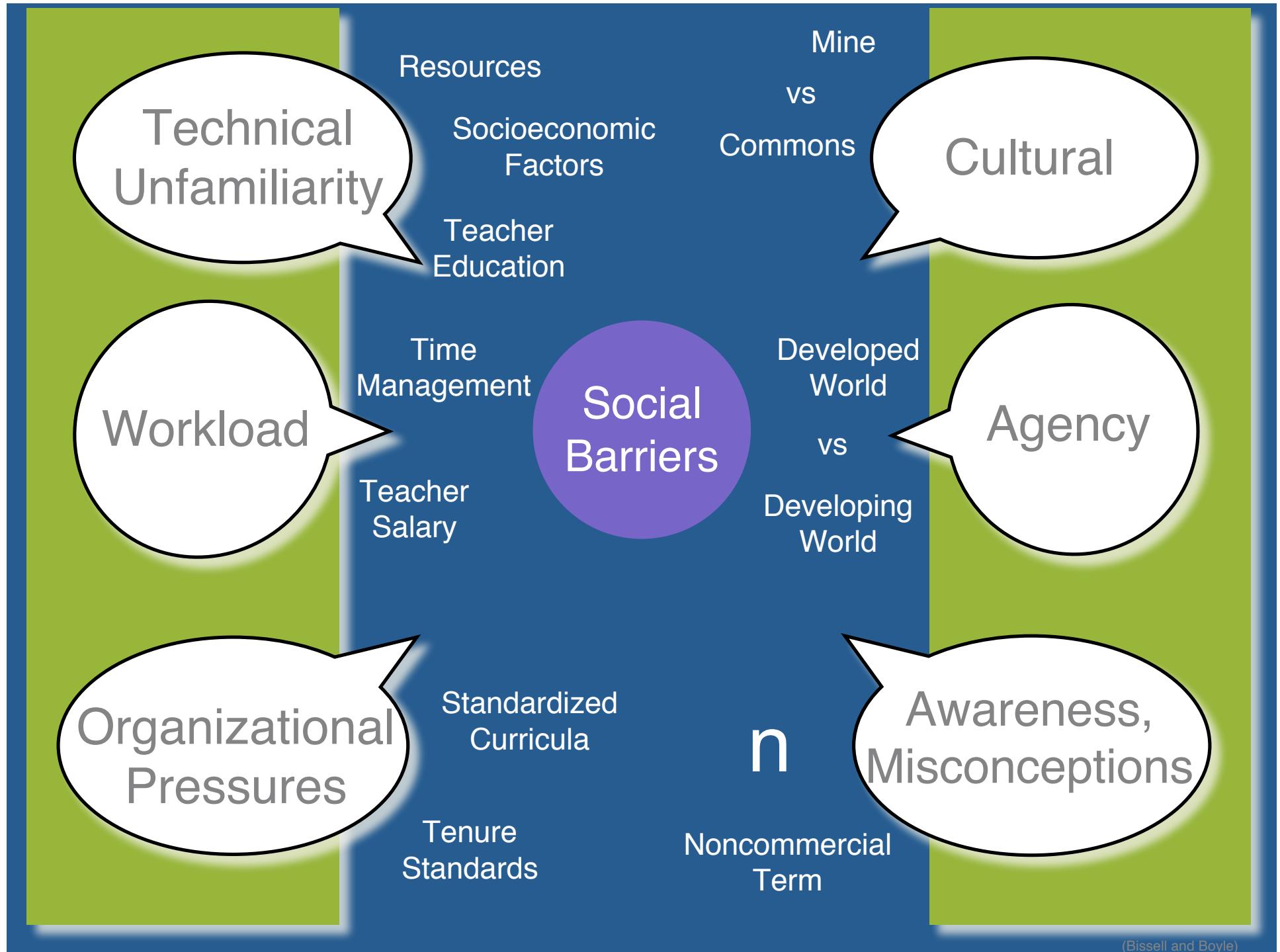
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# And finally, the Social Barriers to Open Education



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Libraries are not just for reading in, but for sociable thinking, exploring, exchanging ideas and falling in love. They were never silent.

Technology will not change that, for even in the starchiest heyday of Victorian self-improvement, libraries were intended to be meeting places of the mind, recreational as well as educational.

- Ben Macintyre, "Paradise Is Paper, Vellum, and Dust." [Times Online, December 18, 2004.](#)



[Here is] a set of rules that describe our reactions to technologies:

1. Anything that is in the world when you're born is normal and ordinary and is just a natural part of the way the world works.
  2. Anything that's invented between when you're fifteen and thirty-five is new and exciting and revolutionary and you can probably get a career in it.
  3. Anything invented after you're thirty-five is against the natural order of things.
- Douglas Adams. The Salmon of Doubt. 2002.

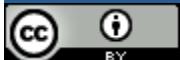




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“...part of the pleasure of a library lies in its very existence”.

- Jan Morris



# A university is just a group of buildings gathered around a library.

- Shelby Foote



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