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Royalty-Free Image Resources — 2025 Edition

Updated and expanded for 2025. Curated by **Remote Income Academy** as part of your creative business toolkit.

Every site here provides free-to-use, high-quality images suitable for commercial or personal use.

Licensing terms can change, so always double-check each site's license page before publishing.

Introduction

Finding professional-looking, high-resolution photos that are *both free and legal* to use in your projects used to be difficult. Today, an entire creative economy thrives on generous photographers sharing their work.

Below is an updated master list of trusted royalty-free image platforms you can rely on for blogs, ebooks, websites, marketing, and product visuals.

Top Royalty-Free Stock Photo Libraries (1–15)

1. **Pexels** — Free stock photos and videos with no attribution required. Superb for blog banners and social media.
   🔗 https://www.pexels.com/
2. **Pixabay** — Millions of royalty-free photos, vector art, and illustrations. Attribution optional.
   🔗 https://pixabay.com/
3. **Unsplash** — The classic source of high-impact, artistic photography under the Unsplash license. Great for hero

images.
- 🔗 https://unsplash.com/

4. **Burst by Shopify** — Business-oriented stock photos, particularly suited for ecommerce, remote work, and lifestyle niches.
   - 🔗 https://burst.shopify.com/
5. **Kaboompics** — Stylish lifestyle and interior design imagery. Free for commercial use; credit appreciated but not required.
   - 🔗 https://kaboompics.com/
6. **ISO Republic** — Crisp, professional-grade images for design, marketing, and editorial projects.
   - 🔗 https://isorepublic.com/
7. **StockSnap.io** — Thousands of new free high-resolution images added weekly under CC0 license.
   - 🔗 https://stocksnap.io/
8. **Life of Pix** — Curated artistic photography from Canadian creatives, emphasizing natural light and mood.
   - 🔗 https://www.lifeofpix.com/
9. **Reshot** — Hand-picked photos, free for commercial and editorial use. Perfect for startups needing authentic imagery.
   - 🔗 https://www.reshot.com/
10. **Picjumbo** — High-resolution, royalty-free images across multiple categories. No registration needed.
    - 🔗 https://picjumbo.com/
11. **LibreShot** — Free photos under Creative Commons (CC BY-SA 2.0). Attribution recommended.
    - 🔗 https://libreshot.com/
12. **SplitShire** — Beautiful lifestyle, travel, and office-themed images by Daniel Nanescu.
    - 🔗 https://splitshire.com/
13. **Skitterphoto** — Genuine user-submitted photographs released under CC0.
    - 🔗 https://skitterphoto.com/
14. **Freestocks.org** — Modern photos of people, lifestyle, and technology scenes.
    - 🔗 https://freestocks.org/

15.   **Gratisography** — Quirky, creative, and sometimes funny stock photos by Ryan McGuire.
🔗 https://gratisography.com/

Extended Creative & Niche Image Resources (16–30)

16.   **Rawpixel** — Free section includes creative mockups, patterns, and vectors.
🔗 https://www.rawpixel.com/
17.   **Picography** — Gorgeous travel and city shots, all free for commercial use.
🔗 https://picography.co/
18.   **Negative Space** — High-resolution photos with consistent, professional composition.
🔗 https://negativespace.co/
19.   **Public Domain Pictures** — Vast archive of images released to the public domain.
🔗 https://www.publicdomainpictures.net/
20.   **FreeImages.com** — A long-standing library of mixed free and premium stock.
🔗 https://www.freeimages.com/
21.   **Moveast** — A photographer's visual diary made free under CC0 — ideal for travel and culture projects.
🔗 https://moveast.me/
22.   **Jay Mantri** — Free photos with strong outdoor and architectural themes.
🔗 https://jaymantri.com/
23.   **New Old Stock** — Vintage public-domain photos from archives worldwide.
🔗 https://nos.twnsnd.co/
24.   **Foodiesfeed** — Realistic food and drink photography for chefs, bloggers, and brands.
🔗 https://www.foodiesfeed.com/
25.   **Styled Stock** — Feminine, lifestyle, and flat-lay imagery ideal for online brands and Pinterest creatives.
🔗 https://styledstock.co/

26. **Pikwizard** — Royalty-free stock photos and videos with a modern, professional aesthetic.
🔗 https://pikwizard.com/
27. **Vidlery** — Unique hand-drawn animated loops that can enhance explainer videos.
🔗 https://vidlery.com/
28. **Rawpixel Public Domain** — Dedicated CC0 collection of art, heritage, and vintage designs.
🔗 https://www.rawpixel.com/free-vectors
29. **Openverse (by WordPress)** — Search engine for Creative Commons images and audio.
🔗 https://openverse.org/
30. **Canva Free Photos** — Inside Canva's design suite, you can access 1M+ free visuals for personal and commercial use.
🔗 https://www.canva.com/photos/free/

Tips for Using Free Stock Photos Safely

1. **Always read the license.** Even CC0 or Unsplash images can have restrictions when people or brands are depicted.
2. **Avoid recognizable logos or trademarks.** Remove or blur brand marks before publishing.
3. **Rename & compress images** before uploading to improve SEO.
4. **Add filters or overlays** to make images more unique.
5. **Credit photographers when possible** — good karma builds goodwill and authenticity.

Suggested Use Cases

- Blog banners and hero images
- Course thumbnails and digital products
- Social media content & ad creatives

- E-commerce store photography
- Ebook and guide illustrations

Recommended Workflow

For a consistent creative workflow:

1. **Gather visuals** from 3–4 of your favorite sources above.
2. **Edit in Canva or Photopea** for resizing or adding brand colors.
3. **Store final images in Google Drive or Dropbox** for team access.
4. **Optimize for web** using TinyPNG (https://tinypng.com/).

Final Thoughts

If you can't find what you need across these 30+ resources, the photo probably hasn't been taken yet! Bookmark your favorites, credit where possible, and create professional content with confidence.

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