Useful websites on slavery and the slave trade

The history of the slave trade

http://www.spartacus.schoolnet.co.uk/REantslavery.htm: an article about the Society for the Abolition of the Slave Trade

http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/pathways/blackhistory/rights/abolition.htm: the National Archives’ website on the history of the slave trade and the abolition movement

www.bbc.co.uk/abolition: the BBC’s website marking the 200th anniversary of the abolition of the slave trade

www.parliament.uk/slavetrade: Parliament and the British slave trade

www.english-heritage.org.uk: English Heritage’s website about the slave trade and abolition

http://landing.ancestry.co.uk/intl/uk/barbados.aspx?o_iid=31428&o_lid=31428&o_it=23456: Ancestry.co.uk has made available 100,000 entries from slave registers of former British Colonial Dependencies 1812-1840. Currently only Barbados is covered, but eventually there will be 3 million entries from the British colonies. The entries include the name of the owner, place of residence, name of slave, gender, age and nationality. Following the act of 1807 many of the British colonies began keeping registers of black slaves who had been so-called “lawfully enslaved” (taken from ancestry). They were later used regarding claims of compensation.

www.setallfree.net: the Set All Free initiative


www.voluntaryist.com/journal/granville.php: an article about Granville Sharp which gives a full account of the various legal cases he was involved with

Modern-day slavery

www.antislavery.org/2007: Anti-Slavery International, founded in 1839, is the world's oldest international human rights organisation and the only charity in the United Kingdom to work exclusively against slavery and related abuses. It works at local, national and international levels to eliminate the system of slavery around the world.

www.wilberforce2007.com: an online petition to end all forms of modern slavery today

www.polarisproject.org: the Polaris Project is a leading international organisation combating human trafficking and modern day slavery

www.freetheslaves.net: Free the Slaves is an American based non-profit making organisation working to end slavery worldwide
www.stopthetraffik.org: Stop the Traffik is a global coalition of organisations working together to fight against people trafficking

www.humantraffickingsearch.net: information on human trafficking, child labour, forced labour and sex slavery

www.TradingFairly.co.uk: a complete online listing of the UK’s fairly traded wholesalers and retailers, designed to help you source and buy fairly traded goods

www.international.ucla.edu/article.asp?parentid=11513: information on the darker side of globalisation

www.pressureworks.org: campaigns on issues including trade justice and poverty

www.unicef.org.uk: UNICEF works to protect children worldwide


www.chaste.org.uk: Churches Alert to Sex Trafficking Across Europe, working to combat the sex trade