

A WESOME ELEMENTARY RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS

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A GOOD RESEARCH PROJECT:

- **MEETS CURRICULUM STANDARDS**
- **PROMOTES HIGHER LEVEL THINKING**
- **ADDRESSES STUDENT NEEDS AND INTERESTS**

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<http://edu.glogster.com/>

Description:

Perfect for grades 2-12

Digital poster that can contain text, images, video, and links

Glogs can be linked to and embedded.

Tutorials can be found:

by Googling *glogster edu tutorial*

Also check FAQ at bottom of page after logging in.

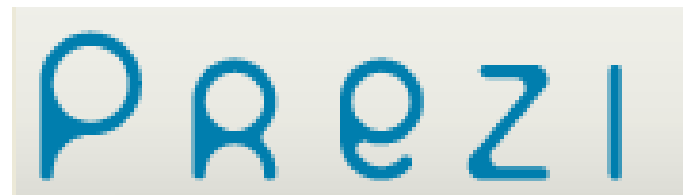
Curriculum ties:

Cross-curriculum Book reports, lit response, explaining problem solving techniques, recounting historical event, sharing research.

Teachers can use to present information (videos, links, and text)

Note: You can set up a free teacher account with up to 50 students under you. No student email needed.

Premium account gives full class management, extra graphics, data attachment, drawing tool, no ads



<http://prezi.com>

Description:

Perfect for grades 5-12

Interesting alternative to PowerPoint slides. Unlimited 'canvas' allows you to zoom out to see 'whole picture' and zoom in to see details. Can contain text, images, video, pdf files, and links.

Show online or download to play offline, link to and embed.

Tutorials can be found:

<http://prezi.com/learn> Basic, Advanced, and Expert lessons. A digital manual is also available on this page.

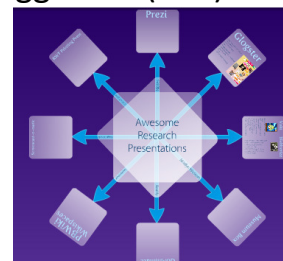
Curriculum ties:

Cross curriculum Especially good way to present ideas and how they relate: countries, books, biomes, historical events
Teachers can use to present material: classroom rules, unit intro or review

Note: Educational version FREE at

<http://prezi.com/profile/signup/edu>

Students need school email. Gaggle.net is acceptable to Prezi. To apply for the free version of Gaggle call (800) 288-7750.



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<http://voki.com>

Description:

Perfect for grades K-12

Motivating free personalized speaking avatars. Use text-to-speech or record student voices (up to 90 seconds). Can link to or embed.

Tutorials can be found:

<http://www.slideshare.net/kbrooks/tutorial-for-voki-2834271> gives detailed directions for creating a Voki.

Curriculum ties:

Cross-curriculum All About Me, what I learned today, story summary, how to, foreign language practice
Uses text-to-speech so spelling and grammar is important!

Note: Can create a Voki without setting up an account. Need free account to have access to your Vokis to make changes. Email required to set up account (for activation purposes only) – use gmail hack.



<http://blabberize.com/>

Description:

Perfect for grades 3-12

Upload an image, highlight the mouth, record your voice, and your image will 'talk' with your voice (once Premium starts, free version will be limited to 90 seconds). Can link to or embed

Tutorials can be found:

<http://vimeo.com/11111216> Step by step directions for creating a Blabber.

Curriculum ties:

Cross Curriculum

Story characters tell their 'side' of the story
Explorer or President, etc. tell about their life
Water drop talks about the water cycle
Animals give information about their habitat, food, predators, etc.

Note: You must have an account to save Blabbers (email required). Make 1 classroom account for all students to use. Also need a microphone (or put the headphone jack in the microphone slot and talk into the earpiece!)



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<http://jc-schools.net/tutorials/PPT-games>
http://people.uncw.edu/ertzbergerj/ppt_games.html
<http://jc-schools.net/tutorials/gameboard.htm>

Description:

Perfect for grades K-8

Create an interactive PowerPoint or game board to review information or assess.

Tutorials can be found:

As part of the PowerPoint. Also available at the game board web site. Very intuitive.

Curriculum ties:

Cross Curriculum Vocab words, story comprehension questions, unit review. Assign partners/small groups to create games about Math facts, telling time, proper/common nouns, science or history facts

Note: No registration needed for any of these sites. Download to shared drive for students to access. Keep a 'master template' on your own drive in case of disaster. Jeff Ertzberger site offers a book for \$\$ + premium access to extra templates.

Game Boards

Ready-Made Games & Game Boards

Just Print and Play!



Screencast-o-Matic

<http://screencast-o-matic.com>

Description:

Perfect for grades 2-12

Free online screen recorder. Up to 15 minutes of record time. Export to .avi (pc), .mp4, or .flv (YouTube). Option to record yourself via web camera in pip.

Tutorials can be found:

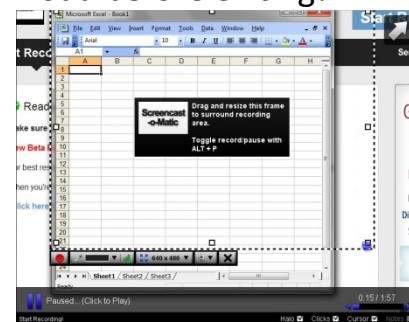
On main page, click on 'Watch a very quick demo'.

Curriculum ties:

- *Students can create tutorials for any on-computer set of directions: how to insert an image into Word, locate the class web page
- *Teachers can record directions for a computer project when a sub is necessary.
- *Also useful for recording Voki, Blabberize, etc, saving as a video, and uploading to Glogster

Note:

No registration is necessary – make sure you download before exiting!*



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<http://goanimate4schools.com>

Description:

Perfect for grades 4-12

Online animation tool that allows students to build animated movies with characters, music & voice. Embeddable.

Tutorial can be found:

Tutorial available the 1st time you use GoAnimate.

Curriculum ties:

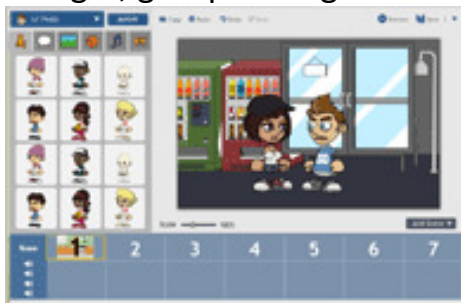
Cross curriculum Practice writing dialogue. Spelling/grammar important in text-to-speech!

Great for collaboration.

Share research, tell a story, use as assessment, or introduce a new unit.

Note: Free version for 1 teacher + up to 100 students. Make animations up to 2 minutes long, upload own music, text-to-voice & voice recording. Takes up to 1 week to get free account.

SchoolPlus account: \$12/account/year for unlimited teachers + students, unlimited cartoon length, group management.



readwritethink

<http://www.readwritethink.org/classroom-resources/student-interactives/readwritethink-printing-press-30036.html>

Description:

Perfect for grades 2-8

Create newspapers, brochures, flyers, and booklets. Several template available.

Tutorial can be found:

Each page has a guide for using that page.

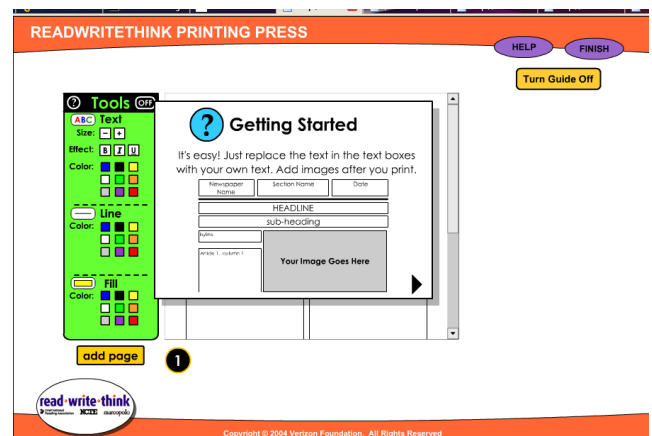
Basic planning sheet at

<http://www.readwritethink.org/materials/printingpress/PrintingPressLayouts.pdf>

Curriculum ties:

Cross-curriculum Lesson plans that use the Printing Press are available for K-12 on main page.

Note: No account available. Pages CANNOT BE SAVED and completed at another time. Important to pre-plan, revise, edit, then copy & paste into online template.



<http://goanimate4schools.com>

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Bonus Page!

HOW TO SEARCH TOOLS



<http://www.boolify.org>

- *Learn to use key words to narrow your search
- *Also a safe search engine for kids
- *Good IWB resource



WonderWheel tutorial:

<http://www.googlewonderwheel.com/google-wonder-wheel-step-by-step>

Timeline tutorial:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9hgUnJBhsnI>

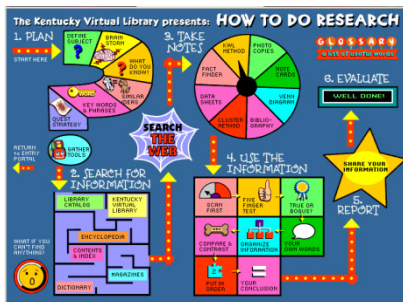
Safe Search tutorial:

<http://www.google.com/familysafety/tools.html>

The **magic words** when kids are searching:
Add **for kids** to the key words

The Kentucky Virtual Library has a nice **How to Do Research** interactive web site for kids at

<http://www.kyvl.org/kids/portal.html>



WHERE TO FIND KID SITES

Don't let K-3 kids search the Internet.
Choose sites for them to explore.



<http://ethemes.missouri.edu/grades>

A wealth of kid-friendly web sites sorted by grade and theme.



<http://42explore.com>

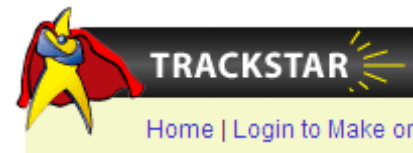
Best for grades 3-6

Select curriculum area and theme.



<http://more.mel.org>

Search by GLCE/HSCE or subject



<http://trackstar.4teachers.org/trackstar>

Search by keyword

Brown by themes + standards or subject/grades

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DIRECTORIES

Introduce directory searching in grades 3-5. Directories search only within pre-selected web sites, so they are safer for young students.



<http://gogooligans.com>

Simple, safe and kid oriented. Spell check. Pop-up keyboard available.

<http://www.googlescholastic.com>

For older students.

Enchanted Learning

<http://www.enchantedlearning.com>

Basics are free. Worksheets are for fee (\$20/year) Wonderful graphics, easy to read.



<http://quinturakids.com>

Easy to use directory search. Contains additional key words to narrow your search.



<http://www.factmonster.com>

Lots of references: timelines, almanac, atlas, dictionary, encyclopedia as well as searchable data.

PICTURE SEARCHES

Use these web sites for locating images instead of using Google Image Search.



<http://search.creativecommons.org>

Search flickr or Google Images to locate pictures that have a Creative Commons license to use. Do not assume images are under a CC license.



<http://www.fotopedia.com>

High-resolution, spectacular photos.



<http://pics4learning.com>

Copyright-friendly image library meant for teachers and students. Citations available for every image – just copy & paste.



<http://morguefile.com>

Free images – no attribution required. Browse by key word or category.

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Students without email need...

THE GMAIL HACK

Some great digital story tools require an email to register or use. This is often a problem for elementary students. However, Gmail has an interesting work-around, called the **Gmail Hack**.

1. Set up a Gmail account for your school or class. Your students can use this email to register with web sites.
2. To do this, just add a + sign and the students first name (or classroom number, or any other name shortcut that indicates which student is using this) after your Gmail address.
(youraddress+student1@gmail.com)

Example:

If my classroom gmail account is **Fancherlab@gmail.com**,

Then Adam can use: **Fancherlab+adam@gmail.com**

And Ashley can use **Fancherlab+ashley@gmail.com**

This allows Adam & Ashley to log into a web site – often, the only reason they need access to an email account is to receive the confirming email to complete the registration which YOU can do as the ‘owner’ of the original Gmail account. Students can’t use this modified email address to send or receive email to each other. If someone uses **Fancherlab+adam@gmail.com** to send a message to Adam, it will end up in the Fancherlab email box, where I can moderate.

Note: When setting up a school-use gmail account for yourself, remember that students (and possibly parents) will see and use your email name, so choose wisely! Avoid accounts such as wineluvr@gmail.com or sweetiepie@gmail.com



<http://mail.google.com>



Student Naming Suggestions

- ☞ Use first name followed by last initial
- ☞ Use initials only
- ☞ Use 1st 3 letters of 1st name + 1st 3 letters of last name
- ☞ Create a pseudonym

Research Project

	Topic: Title: Author:	
Subtopic 1: Detail 1: Detail 2: Detail 3: URL:		Subtopic 2: Detail 1: Detail 2: Detail 3: URL:
Subtopic 3: Detail 1: Detail 2: Detail 3: URL:		Subtopic 4: Detail 1: Detail 2: Detail 3: URL:
Optional Subtopic 5: Detail 1: Detail 2: Detail 3: URL:		<p style="text-align: center;">Save images to your Pix folder. Cite your sources here</p> Name of picture: URL: Name of picture: URL: Name of picture: URL:

Use this sheet to organize your research. Fill in your topic and subtopics, and then start your research. Copy & paste word/phrase details onto this document (remember to cite your sources!). When finished, write subtopic 1 as your 1st paragraph opening sentence, followed by its details. Or, create a PowerPoint slideshow using info in the Subtopic 1 box on the 1st slide.