What Web sites are most used by you and/or your students?

1. www.arbookfind.com
2. www.starfall.com
3. www.readwritethink.org or .com
4. www.interventioncentral.org
5. www.bookadventure.com
6. www.shakespearemadeeasy.com
7. www.carlscorner.us.com
9. www.thinkfinity.com
10. www.Factmonster.com
11. www.brainpop.com
12. www.unitedstreaming.com
13. www.spellingcity.com
14. www.aaamath.com
15. www.discovery-education.com
16. www.fcrr.org
17. www.quia.com
18. www.glogster.com/edu
19. www.coolmath.com
20. www.eduplace.com
21. www.bbc.co.uk/schools/
22. www.scholastic.com
23. www.accessspa.com
24. www.nettrekker.com
25. www.readinglady.com
27. www.delicious.com
28. www.jogtheweb.com
29. www.powerlibrary.org
30. www.thehungersite.com
31. www.freerice.com
32. www.firstinmath.com
33. www.ezschool.com
34. www.enchantedlearning.com
35. www.epals.com
37. www.readinga-z.com
38. www.learner.org/jnorth
40. www.gamequarium.com
41. http://pbskids.org
42. http://vivisimo.com
43. www.webquest.org
44. www.kidsclick.org
45. www.webkinz.com
46. www.nickjr.com
47. http://en.childrenslibrary.org
48. www.fcrr.org/resources.htm
49. www.manateeschools.net
50. www.beaconlearningcenter.com

Top 3 Web sites:

1. www.readwritethink.org or .com
2. www.discovery-education.com
3. www.powerlibrary.org

What qualities should educators look for in Web resources?

- Safe
- Reliable
- No pop-ups
- Research-based
- Easy to use
- Other Web sites that support info
- Citations included
- Current
- Age-appropriate
- For research – no .com Web sites (ex., .org, .net)
- Should have an author/organization/publisher
- Linked to standards
- Interactive (input information)
- Organized
- Meaningful
- Appropriate/lack of advertisements
- Fun/effective
- Educational value
- Responds – feedback
- No ads/non-educational games
- Not distracting

**Top 3 Qualities:**

- Research-based
- Easy to use
- Current

**What are some of your questions related to online literacy?**

(These queries to be answered in a future posting.)

- How do I use Wikis in the classroom?
- How do I best use a Smart Board?
- Where do I find a free high school level high interest/low readability site to practice?
- Are there any vocational education sites?
- How do you measure comprehension?
- What are good/high quality research sites for student usage?
- How effective is Study Island and other online literacy sites?
- Where are educational blogging sites? (professional development for online literacy)
- How would you effectively use e-books?
- How do you use blogging in the classroom?
- How much time should be devoted to online literacy?
- How do you differentiate for student of different reading levels/learning disabilities?
- What is the best way to teach searching?
- How do I keep my students as excited about learning when I’m not using technology?
- How do you transfer information from online research to the product/project/real understanding?
- How do I use online literacy effectively, i.e. Podcast, wiki, blog, Smart Board?

**Top 3 Questions:**

- How do you measure comprehension?
- How much time should be devoted to online literacy?
- How do I use online literacy effectively, i.e. podcast, wiki, blog, Smart Board?

**Why should educators promote Web-based learning?**
- Makes connections with what students use every day – multimedia/Podcasts/blogs
- Up to date information
- Motivational/engaging/interactive
- Information that is at the same speed their games are processed
- It can lead you to other resources that are not web-based
- Easier/uses a search aid/allows for deeper thinking
- Future of Education
- Browser can correct errors/grammar/spell check
- Modalities
- Students need effective use of Web-based learning
- Teachers need to bridge the digital disconnect to their students
- Immediate feedback
- Help students collaborate
- Help students with little technology access
- Students can become the teachers
- Access to global information
- Aids in becoming a technological school
- Teaches the ability to multitask
- Fosters independent thinking
- Accessibility
- Appealing

**Top 3 Reasons**

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