

# MONTHLY INSTRUCTIONAL TECHNOLOGY WEBSITES

## October Focus: *Visual Learning Tips & Tricks*



**K-3 Kidspiration Lessons** - Lessons on color, shapes, money, Civil War, etc. created by Fairfax, Virginia Teachers.

<http://www.fcps.edu/LondonTowneES/Resources/techlessons/techlessonskid.htm>

**Kidspiration Quick Guide** - We have the previous Kidspiration version (than this PDF tutorial), but I think it is worth looking at; mostly contains the same information.

<http://summit.k12.co.us/SummitTechnology/TechnologyImages/KIDSPIRATION.pdf>

**Vickie Blackwell's Kidspiration in the Classroom** - Many online tutorials, 'how to' tips and links.

<http://www.vickiblackwell.com/kidspiration.html>

**North Canton City Schools Kidspiration Curriculum Collection** -

- ♦ Collection of Activity Templates / Lesson Plans:  
<http://www.northcanton.sparcc.org/~elem/kidspiration/collection.html>
- ♦ Kidspiration Activity Wizard:  
<http://www.northcanton.sparcc.org/~technology/Tutorials/Files/activitywizard.pdf>
- ♦ Import a Graphic into a Kidspiration Diagram:  
<http://www.northcanton.sparcc.org/~technology/Tutorials/Files/kidsinsertgraphic.pdf>

**Inspiration Symbols Library** - Quick look at what symbols (graphics, text boxes, etc.) are available.

<http://cf.inspiration.com/download/pdf/InspSymbolGuide.pdf>

**S.C.O.R.E. Graphic Organizers** - Try these 15 graphic organizers using Inspiration.

<http://www.sdcoe.k12.ca.us/score/actbank/torganiz.htm>

**What Can Inspiration Be Used For?** - [Diagram](#) explaining how to use Inspiration.

**Tech Trainer** - Possible topics, graphic organizers, online 'quick tutorial' videos, templates, tips.

<http://www.d11.org/mann/computerliteracy/graphicorganizers.htm>

**Literacy Activities Using Inspiration** - Multiple lesson plans.

<http://teach.fcps.net/talk/apps.asp?appsName=Inspiration>

**Inspiration Templates** - Easy-to-use program that allows users to create webs, organizers, and semantic maps. [http://t4.jordan.k12.ut.us/teacher\\_resources/inspiration\\_templates/index.html](http://t4.jordan.k12.ut.us/teacher_resources/inspiration_templates/index.html)

**Inspiration Files** - Collection of Inspiration files created by Spartanburg, SC teachers.

<http://www.spart5.k12.sc.us/TechTraining/InspirationMatrix.htm>

TEACHER TECH TIPS

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