

MONTHLY INSTRUCTIONAL TECHNOLOGY WEBSITES

April Focus: SMART Language Arts



Note: "Notebook 10" is the software that accompanies the SMART Board. Interactive websites or downloadable lesson activities may be used with the SMART Board. Please visit the Media Center to borrow software if needed.

Teachers Love SMART Boards - A very helpful teacher Resource blog. Multiple categories (core subjects, Notebook 10, games, tips and tricks, videos, podcasts, websites and on and on).

<http://smartboards.typepad.com/smartboard/>

PBS Kids Between the Lions - For grades K-1. Games (blending, synonyms, vowels, alphabetizing...), read aloud stories, video clips, etc. <http://pbskids.org/lions/>

Starfall - For grades Pre-K-1. Reading website focusing on phonemic awareness, systematic phonics, vocabulary, fluency, and comprehension. <http://www.starfall.com/>

E-Learning for Kids - Multiple (and I mean multiple) lesson activities for science, language arts, health, math, etc. for ages 4-12. <http://www.e-learningforkids.org/>

CSD SMART Board Templates - Categorized by grade-level. Will need Notebook 10 software on your computer to view templates. <http://www1.center.k12.mo.us/EDTECH/SB/templates.htm>

Internet for Classrooms - For grades K-8. Website hotlist of Language Arts standards, skill building, writing practice, assessment, including task card and assessment templates.

http://www.internet4classrooms.com/lang_elem_index.htm

Houghton-Mifflin Kid's Place - For grades 2-5. Grammar games (nouns, pronouns, verbs, adverbs, adjectives), writing prompts, graphic organizers, self-evaluation, wacky web-tales, power proofreading tips.

http://www.eduplace.com/kids/hme/k_5/

RCPS English SOLs - For grades 6-8. Exercises, worksheets, study guides, grammar help, book report ideas, etc. hosted on Quia.com <http://www.quia.com/pages/8solenglish.html>

Read, Write, Think - RIA, NCTE sponsored. For grades K-12. NCTE and IRA, together, provide access to lesson plans, online student materials, web resources, etc. supporting literacy learning.

<http://www.readwritethink.org>

Teacher Tech Tips and Notes

Watch an object "fly" across the board like magic! Don't click and drag, instead put the finger of one hand on the object. Then, put the finger of your other hand where you want to move it. The object will move half way in between. Remove the first finger you put on the SMART Board and the object will "fly" across! (See video on Teacher Tube: http://www.teachertube.com/view_video.php?viewkey=0f299324b34331e85d31).