

Hello Everyone,

Along with the LMS (Learning Management System @ <http://nndsb.elearningontario.ca>), I've been experimenting w/ some different web resources. I thought I'd pass this list along to anyone interested. If you come across something neat that isn't on this list, please consider sharing it with me. (Warning: There is a fee for some of the following resources).

Engaging Students with Web 2.0 Tools

JING - www.jing.com A free 'screen capture' software (you capture what is happening on your computer screen) with voice-over capabilities. You share the product via your [Screencast.com](http://www.screencast.com) account. You can embed from there to the LMS. You can also use JING for online discussions, feedback for students, etc. Videos you create are limited to about 5 minutes and can't be edited.

SCREEN FLOW – About a 100 dollars for video / voice / screen capture with editing abilities. It is the 'Cadillac' ...

PREZI - www.prezi.com - A great alternative to PowerPoint because it doesn't cost a darn thing, doesn't need to be linear, can be viewed on mobile devices and can also be embedded to other websites. This has been a great 'go-to' display tool for a while now!

VOICE THREAD – (80 bucks per year w / student licenses but it can be free if you are good with the technology) This is being introduced in the D2L / LMS -- Seamlessly integrated to LMS so that you can upload a picture and then folks can comment on those photos / files / videos. Great for 'show and tell', online discussions, feedback, critique.

GLOGSTER – paid account of about 100 dollars for 200 students... At end of the semester, delete students and then keep refreshing. A way of submitting work and sharing with peers at the same time... send reminders of outstanding work, etc.

TIMEGLIDER - Web-based timeline software for creating and sharing history, project planning and more ... Collaborative timelines.... Cost?

VOKI – neat little news tool speaker that you can use and embed withing the LMS. Text to speech or call in to the number provided for voiceover... Create a character and have them share the news to your students. This can also be embedded in SharePoint I believe.

TODAYsMEET – digital online and real-time discussion tool that is free. The trouble with it is that the real time 'chat' isn't affiliated with an account and people can make up names easily...

ROLLYPOLLY – a YouTube video capture program in which you can pause and automatically type bubble / chat at specific points... Not connected to LMS at this point but it is really neat when you are wanting to discuss videos but have a time point referencing a specific point.

WRITING REVISER – Students submit writing assignments (cut – paste text to program) to this for grammar and convention of writing issues. From there, they can make the appropriate changes to their writing as identified before submission. This program is free but takes time to load. The program is... <http://www.sascurriculumpathways.com/sascurriculumpathways.com>
You need to register for an account before using... They'll give you a username and the password will be:
>Username: rolled3keep
Writing Reviser – sometimes crashes while running Chrome (a Shockwave issue) but usually stable in IE or Firefox.

Math and Science “GIZMOS” – A variety of Learning Activities for 3-12 linked to curriculum expectations. www.explorellearning.com/register CODE: Free Trial but price thereafter.

www.polleverywhere.com – Self-explanatory. Folks can respond through text messages, web and Twitter. Then, you can take the results and view/export to multiple formats. It also has the ability to do quizzes in real time. Requires a Username and Password. “Free” for basic plan but there are costs associated with other plans.

SMART IDEAS – On NNDSB computers already, it is a Mind Mapping program that supports students in lots of ways including “essay writing”.

RATIONALE – <http://rationale.austhink.com> This is an Argument Map Template to support and improve Student Critical Thinking. There is a fee but the program prompts folks with ‘smart questions’ that can then be applied to a word template for the essay. You simply ‘fill in the blanks’.

ARGUMENT MAP TEMPLATE on GOOGLE DOCS – <http://tinyurl.com/brhmk6g> on Google Docs

GOOGLE DRIVE – www.drive.google.com Google Drive lets you do more than just store your files. You can Share these files with exactly who you want and edit them together from almost any device. Google Drive also gives you instant access to “Google Docs”, a suite of editing tools that makes working collaboratively even better.

DIIGO – www.diigo.com It is an online information management system to collect, store and organize information (bookmarks, highlight, notes, screenshots, pictures, docs, audio content, bibliography) that can be accessed anywhere and shared. Some fees associate.

SOUNDCLOUD – www.soundcloud.com Easily record and upload music or audio files. Share and connect with others as well.

BLOGGER – www.blogger.com From an educational standpoint, blogs allows educators and students to collaborate, share instructional resources, create content and connect to mainstream social media channels such as YouTube, podcasts, other blogs, tweets, social bookmarks, etc. all on a single centralized page.

EYEJOT – www.eyejot.com Create and send video mail to friends, family, and students via any web browser and even via mobile devices. The videos you create can also be embedded onto other sites. Those you send the video to don’t need to register for an account. It is free to register.

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