



Technology in the K-3 Classroom

http://www.uen.org/utahlink/tours/tourFames.cgi?tour_id=14120

In this section you will see a collection of the best on-line educational resources available, including lesson plans, activities, interactive projects, interesting places for kids to explore, and many, many more resources. Most of these services are available for free over the Internet, and whenever possible, you will be able to connect to the service simply by clicking on its Internet address. We hope these resources will help you integrate this exciting new technology into your classroom.

5 Minute Activities

Here are some quick technology integration ideas.

Kids Corner - Beatrix Potter

<http://www.tcom.ohiou.edu/books/kids.htm>

Read these classic Beatrix Potter stories to your whole class. Stories include *Tale of Peter Rabbit*, *Cecily Parsely's Nursery Rhymes*, *The Tale of Squirrel Nutkin*, and others. These online versions feature large text and the original illustrations.

Online Projects

Interpersonal Exchange is the type of project where students communicate electronically with other students and adults.

Keypals: Mighty Media KeyPals Club



<http://www.mightymedia.com/keypals/>

MightyMedia invites visitors to "start a project with another class, or just create a new friendship with someone on the other side of the globe." After you register, you can quickly find partner schools in the site's database.

Task Cards

One of the keys to effectively using the Internet in the classroom is to direct student learning. It is too easy to get lost, overwhelmed or side tracked. Task Cards can help direct students' learning while on the Internet and they are easy to create.

Second Grade Example:

Objective: Observe and describe how plants and animals change during their lives.

Butterfly Life Cycle

Go to the bookmark:

“Children's Butterfly Site
The Butterfly and Moth Life Cycle” +

or

<http://www.mesc.usgs.gov/butterfly/butterfly-life-cycle.html>

1. Read and look at the pictures to learn about the butterfly life cycle.
2. Caterpillars spend most of the time eating. Why do you think that is true? _____
3. What do you think is happening inside the chrysalis?

4. On the back of this card, describe how the butterfly life cycle is different than a human's life cycle.

Instructional Television

Instructional television (ITV) for kindergarten through 12th grade students is broadcast Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on KULC-9 and KUED-7. Most teachers prefer to use the Instructional Television programs in their classrooms on videotape. Free copies of some ITV programs are available from the State Office of Education. For more information contact Joy-Lyn Gunnell at (801) 538-7636.