Toolkit Websites

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Websites Mentioned in the Toolkit

Here are 15 of the websites I visited from the Toolkit. I found and shared some great resources with a variety of people.

http://www.creativelearning.com/talent-development/dear-school-people

25 questions for parents to ask educators about their student's learning needs. Shared with Neovi Patsicakis and Marion Mahoney – (started parent group and challenge center for gifted students in White Rock –SENG)

http://www.criticalthinking.org/files/Concepts_Tools.pdf

Handy question starters to move through stages of critical thinking. Shared with Adam Woelder our VP who gave a critical thinking workshop in May for Pro-D.

http://www.techtrekers.com/sim.htm

Sites mainly math for grades 8 - 12 however of special interest is the megapenny project and the megamoo which demonstrates growing amounts of pennies or cows. You could use as a cool project for extending multiplication 'hoofs'. Shared with primary teachers at RC Garnett.

Visual fractions site: I tried this with my students and this method of visualizing fractions was too difficult for them. Shared with Alison Donnelly to try with her students.

http://catalogimages.wiley.com/images/db/pdf/B0787967092.01.pdf

Two team building exercises and two competition team exercises, Lost at Sea and Wilderness survival – good for a camp activity- problem solving. Shared with Nancy Cameron (teacher at RC Garnett)

http://www.pedagonet.com/quickies/interest.pdf

Primary and Secondary Interest Inventories: very kid friendly. Shared with Neovi Patsicakis and Marion Mahoney – (started parent group and challenge center for gifted students in White Rock –SENG)

http://www.sfu.ca/~kanevsky/PFL2/Tool%20Kit%202013%20complete.pdf

Our Toolkit online Shared with Neovi Patsicakis and Marion Mahoney – (started parent group and challenge center for gifted students in White Rock –SENG)

http://education.wm.edu/centers/cfge/curriculum/teachingmodels/index.php#source

Simple graphics for critical thinking activities, analyzing primary sources, writing a reason paragraph. The graphics are clear cut and easy to use. Haven't shared with anyone because I think everyone has them.

http://questgarden.com/search/

Coolest website ever with hundreds of unit plans for webquests in all different subjects. Shared with all of the grade 3, 4, and 5 teachers at RC Garnett and with EPSE 512 class.

http://louisville.edu/ideastoaction/about/criticalthinking/framework

Critical thinking framework – has some really good question frames for higher level thinking skills especially breadth and depth using universal standards for determining the quality of reasoning. Shared with Adam Woelders(our grade 3 teacher/vice principal RC Garnett) who uses a critical thinking framework for all of his classroom activities.

http://www.readingquest.org/strat/chart.htm

This sight had a ton of graphic organizers and strategy charts but none of them were new they were all of the ones we typically use but nicely compiled in one website.

http://education.wm.edu/centers/cfge/profdev/conferences/ncnc/session_descriptions/index.php

Looked through several powerpoints Sigel – IPAD aps for the gifted (didn't see any useful ones) Gallagher PBL powerpoint – not really all that helpful but had a few performance standards for PBL. Gallagher – Word Within a Word powerpoint looked like it was based on an interesting book by **Michael Clay Thompson & Dr. Thomas Milton Kemnitz** about word morphology etc... powerpoint not all that helpful. Other huge list of powerpoints from conference but not with helpful useable resources. Shared book title with EPSE 512 classmates.

http://education.wm.edu/centers/cfge/curriculum/science/materials/index.php

William and Mary school for the gifted website many things but you really have to dig. I found a test for finding out students understanding of experimental research design. It is a pre and post-test where students design an experiment to test a problem and then you evaluate their design using a rubric. There is a pre and a post test. They look elementary school friendly although I am not sure about the rubric. Could be used before you teach science as inquiry so you are teaching process as well as content. A good list of science books for PBL. I checked the price on the animal PBL book and it was \$85.

http://daretodifferentiate.wikispaces.com/

Saw a cool project where fifth graders raise a seeing eye dog in school and train it.

Had an interesting assortment of choice boards including one called the TIC TAC TOE board, where you write key concepts and vocab on cards, Kids shuffle and place on Tic Tac Toe board and then flip three in a row and have to say a sentence relating all of the words, ideas toegher. I copied this whole list of ideas because there were some included that I had not seen before.

http://phet.colorado.edu/en/simulation/travoltage

Short Science simulation videos on a multitude of topics for all grade levels. Good as subject starters for lessons. Shared with Alison Donnelly, and EPSE 512 classmates.

http://www.cre8iowa.org/team-support/instant-challenge-library/

Tons of free creative problem solving challenges either theme based or task based, or performance based. Short, easy to use - require materials could use for collaborative team building. Could also be used to have the students generate criteria. Shared with EPSE 512 classmates and with Steve Gerbrandt, Adam Woelders and Chris Epting. Also shared with Neovi Patsicakis and Marion Mahoney – (started parent group and challenge center for gifted students in White Rock –SENG)

http://www.hoagiesgifted.org/living_with_oes.htm

This website has a full unit plan for teaching lessons based on Dabrowski's Overexcitabilities. It is a differentiated unit plan by Cindy Strickland who I have taken workshops with and I shared it with Neovi Patsicakis and Marion Mahoney – (started parent group and challenge center for gifted students in White Rock –SENG)