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Nine ideas for...

using Utah's Online Library with elementary students

Utah's Online Library is loaded with resources licensed by UEN for Utah teachers, students and parents to use wherever there's an internet connection.

- 1 FIND INSTRUCTIONAL VIDEOS FAST IN EMEDIA.**
eMedia lets you search by keyword or browse by curriculum area and grade level to find videos and other multimedia resources, including interactive videos from PBS.
- 2 GET FREE MUSIC AND SOUND EFFECTS FROM SOUNDZABOUND.**
Enhance multimedia projects with sound files offered in various durations and styles.
- 3 INTRODUCE STUDENTS TO CULTUREGRAMS.**
CultureGrams Kids' Edition has loads of information on nearly 200 countries and is written at an upper elementary reading level.
- 4 HAVE KIDS COLOR FLAGS FROM DIFFERENT COUNTRIES.**
CultureGrams World Edition has a link for Flags you can print for students to color and hang in class.
- 5 MAKE ANCIENT HISTORY COME ALIVE WITH WORLD BOOK.**
World Book's Surf the Ages link leads to news-of-the-day-style reports on ancient Egypt, Greece, India and Rome.
- 6 EXPERIMENT WITH WORLD BOOK KIDS SCIENCE PROJECTS.**
Younger elementary students will love making observations and forming conclusions as they do the simple science activities found under World Book/Kids/Science Projects.
- 7 FIND RESOURCES BY READING LEVEL WITH SEARCHASAURUS.**
Need to find nonfiction texts that support the Utah Core Standards? From EBSCO, choose Searchasaurus then enter your keyword and choose a Lexile (reading level) range to search.
- 8 SEND STUDENTS QUESTING THROUGH THE COUNTIES.**
Your 4th grade students will learn tons about Utah with UEN's Counties of Utah website, linked from the Utah's Online Library home page. It includes a WebQuest.
- 9 SHOW STUDENTS MORE SIDES OF AN ISSUE WITH SIRS DISCOVERER.**
From SIRS Discoverer, select Social Issues then Kids Speak Out to find more than a hundred articles in which kids express their thoughts and feelings on current social issues.

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