

# Digital Dialogue

Hello  
My name is:

**A-Team 1**

...and I want to learn more  
about...

Hello  
My name is:

**A-Team 2**

...and I want to learn more  
about...

**While you're here, please DO...**

- discover new tech tools and resources
- post some of your own ideas and resources
- take some time to share with other people at the topic tables
- complete the survey on digital technology

# **Digital Art**

Freeware/free software:

Free resources for students to  
create and learn about art  
online

Photo manipulations and  
Illustration

# **Online/Cloud Storage and Publication**

Web-based resources that allow you to create and save your work on the Internet

# **Communication**

Social media and other online tools that provide opportunities for bulk text/emails, building websites without coding, and real-time sharing of information

# **Presentation**

Online tools that provide opportunities for using multimedia to share and interact with content information

# **Lesson Plans and Assessment**

Online resources for finding  
art-based lesson plans as well  
as tools and examples for  
assessments

# **Language Tools**

Resources and tools to  
facilitate learning of English

language skills

-writing tools

-English language learners  
resources

# **Digital Literacy** **and** **Citizenship**

Resources to locate,  
evaluate, use and create  
information with computers  
and other digital tools



# **Art History**

Resources to research and  
view artworks

# **Art + Technology**

## **Connections**

**"Technology makes possibilities.**

**Design makes solutions.**

**Art makes questions.**

**Leadership makes actions and connections."**

**-John Maeda**

Art and Technology both develop a systematic use of a technique or a skill and involves the testing of ideas and theories.

Digital technology provides new opportunities for  
art making tools.

Digital technology provides new venues for sharing artworks, sometimes to a wider audience.

Similarly, some of these venues may also provide more opportunities for critiquing artworks from a more diverse population of individuals.

## **The PRESENT use of technology**

**Web 1.0, could be considered as the “read-only web.”** In other words, the early web allowed users to search for information and read it. There was very little in the way of user interaction or content contribution.

**Web 2.0 has provided opportunities for users to share their own content.** This era empowered the common user with a few new concepts like Blogs, Social-Media & Video-Streaming. Publishing your content is only a few clicks away with Web 2.0 tools such as Twitter, YouTube, eZineArticles, Flickr and Facebook.

## The FUTURE use of technology

Web 3.0 would be a “read-write-execute” web. It promises the potential for applications that can speak to each other directly, and for broader searches for information through simpler interfaces.

Tailor made Search  
Personalized Search  
Evolution of 3D Web  
Deductive Reasoning

Web 4.0 still is in developing mode and the true shape is still forming, first signals are in that Web 4.0 will be about a linked web which communicates with us like we communicate with each other (like a personal assistant). Web 4.0 is called “symbiotic” web. This Web will be very powerful and fully executing. Web 4.0 will be the read-write-execution-concurrency web.

# **Digital Survey**

Please take time to complete a survey of your technology use at:  
<http://www.melissasand.com/free-online-resources.html>



OR



complete the paper survey here.

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# **Digital Art**



**Art**

**History**

**Digital**

**Literacy**

# Language

# Tools

# **Lesson**

# **Plans/**

# **Assessment**

# **Presentation**

# **Communication**

**Online/Cloud**

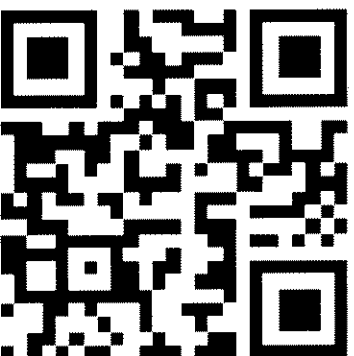
**Storage**

**and**

**Publication**

**Join our real-time conversation at**

**<http://mrl.li/1auUIHd>**



**(link is also posted at**

**<http://www.melissasand.com/free-online-resources.html>**)



## First of all, what are your GOALS for using technology?

<http://edtechteacher.org/index.php/teaching-technology/86-great-tech-tools>

(Retrieved November 2013)

### **What are your Learning Goals?**

1. I want my students to be able to create web based timelines.
2. I want my students to create web based mind maps / graphic organizers.
3. I want my students to publish their writing online for others to read.
4. I want real-time, online discussion with my students.
5. I want my students to search and evaluate web sites.
6. I want to create guided research activities for my students.
7. I want to connect my students to other students around the world.
8. I want my students to create online portfolios.
9. I want my students to create books, magazines, posters, or newsletters online.
10. I want my students to record or edit audio.



11. I want to use an interactive whiteboard effectively with my students.

12. I want my students to create and edit maps.

13. I want my students to draw or create comics on the Internet.

14. I want to create tests, quizzes, and games online.

15. I want my students to organize, bookmark and edit their research online.

16. I want to find or create rubrics for multimedia projects.

17. I want to connect to other teachers to share ideas and resources.

### **Other Technology Education Websites Not to Miss:**

Eduademic.com

Eutopia.com

[www.freetech4teachers.com/](http://www.freetech4teachers.com/)

## **Digital Citizenship**

Guidelines for responsible, appropriate behavior  
when one is using technology.

It can cover anything from "netiquette" to cyberbullying; technology access and the digital divide; online safety and privacy; copyright, plagiarism, and digital law, and more.

## **Digital Literacy**

Digital literacy is the ability to find, evaluate, utilize, share, and create content using information technologies and the Internet.

**Education offers these definitions:**

- Media refers to all electronic or digital means and print or artistic visuals used to transmit messages.
- Literacy is the ability to encode and decode symbols and to synthesize and analyze messages.
- Media literacy is the ability to encode and decode the symbols transmitted via media and the ability to synthesize, analyze and produce mediated messages.
- Media education is the study of media, including 'hands on' experiences and media production.
- Media literacy education is the educational field dedicated to teaching the skills associated with media literacy.

## **Digital Citizenship**

<http://www.edutopia.org/blog/film-festival-digital-citizenship>

A collection of videos that explain digital citizenship and why it is essential for educators to introduce students to digital citizenship issues

<http://www.educatorstechnology.com/2013/10/5-excellent-videos-to-teach-your.html>

A collection of videos to use with students to explain digital citizenship

<http://www.commonensemedia.org/videos/the-importance-of-teaching-digital-citizenship>

Website hosted by an independent, not-for-profit organization that reviews a variety of digital media

<http://www.google.com/edu/teachers/youtube/curric/index.html>

The curriculum helps educate students on topics like:

- YouTube's policies
- How to report content on YouTube
- How to protect their privacy online
- How to be responsible YouTube community members
- How to be responsible digital citizens

## **Digital Literacy**

<http://www.digitalliteracy.gov/content/educator>

Database of information that can be searched specifically by topic

<http://www.microsoft.com/about/corporatecitizenship/citizenship/giving/practicing/programs/up/digitalliteracy/default.mspx>

Introduction to basic computer skills- provides three levels of curricula

<http://digitalliteracy.cornell.edu/>

Practical guides for students to use as they research, write papers, and create multimedia presentations

<http://www.ikeepsafe.org/educators/more/google/>

Curriculum developed by Google and iKeepSafe for teachers to use with students in the classroom (digital literacy and citizenship)

## Language tools

<https://writingcenter.unc.edu/faculty-resources/tips-on-teaching-esl-students/tips-on-teaching-esl-students/>

Addresses issues of helping students with research and writing, particularly with English as a Second Language students

<https://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/section/3/>

Database of information regarding writing – includes some multimedia presentations to explain topics to students

<http://www.readwritethink.org/>

**Website hosted by International Reading Association (IRA)** is to promote reading by continuously advancing the quality of literacy instruction and research worldwide. The Association provides outstanding professional development and supports excellent teaching, critical research, and promotion of the lifetime reading habit.

<http://citationmachine.net/index2.php>

**Tool to help students correctly cite references**

<https://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/section/5/>

**Multiple tools for helping English as a Second Language students with writing and research**

<http://translate.google.com/>

**Allows translation of text that is copied/pasted or entire documents – allows for audio as well**

<http://www.scholastic.com/teachers/article/success-esl-students>

**Suggestions for helping English as a Second Language learners**

### **Grammar and Usage**

Use these sites to boost your grammar knowledge, from verb tenses to noun placement.

1. [Purdue Online Writing Lab](#): The OWL is a wonderful repository of practice sheets and linguistic primers for learners at all levels.
2. [Dave's ESL Cafe](#): ESL teacher Dave Sperling's in-depth site provides numerous lessons about sentence structure, word use, and more.

... the English Learner materials: This site takes popular movies and uses their summaries and idioms to discuss the English language. Great for ESL students with a love of U.S. culture.

4. ESL Partyland: The festive name is an indicator of how laid-back this handy ESL site can be. Various exercises let students practice writing and reading as they use external sites to boost their comprehension.

5. Breaking News English: These inventive lesson plans teach ESL by drawing inspiration from recent news and global affairs. Packed with information about word usage, grammar, and more.

6. ESL-Lounge: Hundreds of awesome exercises make this site a fantastic tool for students. Parts of speech and vocabulary are classified by difficulty.

7. Activities for ESL Students: This pared-down website offers grammar quizzes at multiple degrees of difficulty and for learners from dozens of different language backgrounds.

8. Using English: A handy reference guide to major parts of speech and their usage, with bonus material for ESL instructors.

9. 5-Minute English: This wonderful site not only offers a variety of lessons and exercises, it also boasts links to other helpful ESL programs, books, and schools.

10. English, Baby!: Download MP3s, join chat rooms, take quizzes, and more on this useful site.

11. English Forums: Get help from English speakers or other ESL learners in the world's largest ESL network. Don't be afraid to speak up and ask questions.

### **Spelling and Pronunciation**

These sites will help ESL students learn how to speak or spell the English words they've been learning.

12. Business English Lessons: There are dozens of key phrases on this site complete with audio clips to help ESL students practice clear pronunciation.

13. Antimoon: Learn to recognize the sounds in the English language and use correct intonation.



14. English Zone: Take on English learning, including possessive pronoun endings, contractions, and more, with this site.
15. Learn That Word: Learn vocabulary and spelling on this site. You can narrow down your lessons by commonly misspelled words or TOEFL vocabulary.
16. BBC Learning English: This resource from the British channel offers all kinds of lessons and tips for learning English, including pronunciation, vocab, and grammar lessons.
17. Learn English Kids, British Council: Though this site is aimed at kiddos, anyone trying to get a grasp on English spelling and speaking will find its games fun and useful.
18. English Leap: This site has several helpful pages; this one in particular gives a great overview of pronunciation rules for different letter combinations in English.
19. Funbrain: This site has a lot of games for kids to learn all kinds of subjects, but ESL students can use it to make their reading lessons more fun. Play the reading games or the Spell Check quiz to practice your spelling.

### **Vocabulary and Writing**

Building a vocabulary is one of the most important parts of mastering a language. These sites help students start adding words to their vocabulary, learning how to use them verbally and on paper.

20. Answers.com's Idiom Dictionary: When a phrase doesn't make sense literally, turn to this idiom dictionary to understand what it means.
21. Flash Card Exchange: This browser-based tool lets you study thousands of words, create your own flash cards, and sort cards based on category and learner language.
22. 20-Minute ESL Lessons: These audio lessons cover basic vocabulary for a variety of everyday situations, including office life.
23. Vocabulary Can Be Fun: This site offers a variety of entertaining games designed to enhance vocabulary use through interactive play.
24. Pizzaz: This site uses poems and short stories as writing examples and exercises to teach creative writing and usage.

25. [About.com English Vocabulary](#): About.com has a member of resources for ESL including these helpful business vocabulary lessons for several different industries.
26. [Aardvark's English Forum](#): In the student section of this forum, you can read famous quotations, work your way through novels in English, and do interactive language exercises to understand the written English language better.
27. [Vocabulary](#): Download a free trial of this site's vocabulary builder and then test your knowledge.

### **Quizzes and Worksheets**

Put your knowledge to the test with these helpful tools.

28. [Self-Study Quizzes for ESL Students](#): Just what it sounds like. These tests will help students learn grammar, tricky words, vocabulary, and more.
29. [Vocabulary Quizzes](#): These word quizzes cover everything from animals and food to famous quotes and American slang.
30. [Advanced English Grammar Exercises](#): This plain website hosts dozens of detailed quizzes broken down by topic.
31. [ESL Resource Center](#): This site was created for ESL teachers, so plenty of worksheets, tips, and lessons are available and work well even for those teaching themselves or trying to get ahead.
32. [ESL HQ](#): Get access to hundreds of worksheets for learning English from this online forum.
33. [ISL Collective](#): This ESL teachers' forum is a great place to find worksheets for practice or teaching yourself English. Browse through hundreds of topics that have already been uploaded, and check back for more as teachers around the world add them.
34. [English Gateway](#): Download these ESL worksheets to test yourself and use the teacher notes to double-check your knowledge.

### **Podcasts**

These podcasts make great instructional tools for students on the go.

35. ESL Podcast: Regular updates and easy categorization make this podcast a great resource.

36. LanguageCaster: A large majority of the non-English-speaking world is crazy about football (soccer to Americans), so this podcast uses sporting news and analogies to teach English.

37. China232: There are dozens of helpful podcast lessons here that students can use to learn about North American language and culture.

38. Culips: Billed as "a podcast for English learners throughout the world," this fantastic site tailors content to a variety of languages. Hosts use news, history, and slang to break down the quirks of the English language.

39. ESL Aloud: These lessons range from basic word instruction to more complex scenarios like going to the store or working in an office.

40. Podcasts in English: This site offers free podcasts for anyone looking to learn English. They're separated by skill level and subject so you can choose what fits you best.

41. British Council Learn English: The British Council provides three series of podcasts to help learn the language and practice your listening skills.

### **YouTube Channels**

Lessons that you can both see and hear can make all the difference in your conversational English. Check out these YouTube channels to get the experience of talking to someone face-to-face and don't be afraid to talk back!

42. VOA Learning English: With this Voice of America channel, you can hear news and feature stories in American English, but spoken 33% slower than normal to make it easier to follow along. You'll get a grasp on a wide range of vocabulary subjects.

43. Listen and Read Along: This is exactly what it sounds like. Listen to stories and read along with them by following the highlighted word. Hear pronunciation and intonation while getting a better grasp on sentence structure.

44. TOEFL TV: Get English-learning tips and learn about questions that appear on the TOEFL test!

45. OMGmeiyu's channel: This site is great for Chinese speakers. YouTube user OMGmeiyu uses her animated style and knowledge of Chinese to help native Chinese speakers learn English in a fun and relatable way.
46. English with Jennifer: The host of this channel is a great ESL teacher for those who needs more guidance than just reading off of websites. She's separated her videos into playlists covering vocabulary, verb tenses, pronunciation, and more.
47. English Teacher Melanie: If you need some help with your pronunciation, particularly with an American accent, English Teacher Melanie goes into detail in her videos, covering each sound and explaining differences between American pronunciation and that of other areas.
48. EF podEnglish: These English lessons are broken up into five-minute chunks and by skill level, so you can get a quick lesson whenever you can fit it in.
49. Teacher Phil: Study basic English, business English, idioms, and more with Teacher Phil. You'll learn how to speak with an American accent and use proper English, even taking on some of the more confusing language rules.
50. BBC Learning English's Channel: We mentioned BBC's great site for learning English, but their YouTube channel has just as much to offer. Watch "The Flatmates," a soap opera made for learning English, or learn about different idioms.