

The following pages contain a sample activity from the book.





Grade Level:

- K- 2
- 3 5
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CD-ROM Files:

• 21BlogResources.htm

Overview:

A blog is a word created from the shortened combination of "Web" and "Log". A blog is an instant online publishing tool that has many benefits for teachers and students.

Benefits For Teachers:

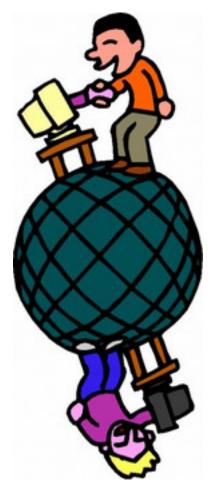
- Teachers can post lesson plans and announcements.
- Teachers can have online discussions with parents, students, and colleagues.
- Teachers can easily post Web resources for students.
- Teachers can monitor / score student postings.

Benefits For Students:

- Students have an instant worldwide audience for their writing.
- Students can post personal diaries, reading response journals, learning logs, etc.
- Students can work collaboratively with students in other schools, states, countries, etc.
- Students can engage in discussions with outside experts.

The Teacher's Role:

- 1. Enter an address from the following page or open the "21BlogResources.html" file from the CD-ROM and click the desired link.
- 2. Read some of the articles and discussions about the appropriateness and benefits of blogs in education.
- 2. Find and use the blog resources that are applicable to your classroom.



Blog Resources and Information:

Blog Resources and Articles:

Blogger Basics & Beyond	http://tinyurl.com/twblogbasics
Blogging: An Introduction	http://www.learnnc.org/lp/pages/730
Blogging Idea File	http://weblogg-ed.com/why-weblogs/
Blogging Ideashttp://anne.teachesme.com/20	004/10/05/ways-to-use-weblogs-in-education/
Blogging to Successhttp://www	97.intel.com/odyssey/story.aspx?storyid=299
Social Studies Central Blog Infohttp://www.socialstud	iescentral.com/?q=content/blogging-educators
Tammy's Blogging Bookmarks	http://delicious.com/tammyw/blogging

Blog Tools:

Blogger	http://www.blogger.com/start
BlogMeister	http://classblogmeister.com/
Edublogs	http://edublogs.org/
OnSugar	
21 Classes	
Posterous	http://posterous.com/
Word Press	http://wordpress.com/
Blog Tool Conversations	http://blogtools.wetpaint.com/