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REMINDER

The following Web 2.0 & ClassTools will be presented at the tech sessions on Tuesday. (attendance is optional).

Web2.0 Tool #5:

Glogster.com

- Mix graphics, photos, videos, music and text into slick Glogs. Glog yourself every day!
- Amaze your friends - send others links to your Glogs.
- Share your creations!
- Find new friends by their style
- Have fun browsing Glogs, comment on other people's Glogs and get inspiration

Examples of Glogs:

<http://cabottony.glogster.com/glog-178-479/>

<http://suziq56.glogster.com/glog-340-655/>

<http://schneeberger.glogster.com/glog-2/>

<http://jabernethy.glogster.com/election2008/>

<http://ktownboy94.glogster.com/Classroom-blog/>

<http://pinacolada.glogster.com/barack-obama/>

<http://schsap.glogster.com/RevolutionaryWar/>

<http://bklounge.glogster.com/Uranus/>

<http://hbhskat.glogster.com/Endangered-Species/>

<http://sahar01.glogster.com/glog-729/>

<http://lorenourlolly.glogster.com/Cybersafety/>

<http://greggghal.glogster.com/Earth-Day-Project--Leopards-Team/>

<http://lawa.glogster.com/Eleanor-Roosevelt-cont-685/>

<http://flowerchild.glogster.com/India/>

<http://ballerina.glogster.com/harriet-tubman/>

<http://shakesphere.glogster.com/micah/>

<http://mrsfoster.glogster.com/Nicole-G/>

Websites:

<http://www.glogster.com/>

<http://www.glogster.com/edu>

ClassTool #2:

Random Name/Word Picker

Idea 1: Input the class list in the box to randomly select people to answer questions.

Idea 2: Input a list of keywords. Sit a student with their back to the screen. When the word appears, their partner has 30 seconds to get them to guess it by providing a definition. Teams get points based on how many seconds are left on the clock when they have guessed the correct word.

You can copy and paste your data direct from Word, Excel and other programs.

There are two platforms:

Typewriter and Fruit Machine (like slots)

Website:

http://classtools.net/main_area/template_loader.php?fruit_machine





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Web2.0 Tool #15:

One True Media

It's a snap to mix your photos and videos with *One True Media.com*'s effect to create something wow-worthy!

It's simple and free.

Samples:

“Stowers Star Stallions”

http://www.onetruemedia.com/shared?p=7c4adedb092c4fda7eb0d&skin_id=1007&utm_source=otm&utm_medium=text_url

Other Samples:

http://www.onetruemedia.com/otm_site/view_shared?p=7c302ee0f7cac706b1a8f6&source=category&category_id=all

http://www.onetruemedia.com/otm_site/view_shared?p=7c3215fa846182dad528c6&source=category&category_id=all

http://www.onetruemedia.com/otm_site/view_shared?p=24ae405cdf41421c565c16&source=category&category_id=20

Note: Do NOT allow students to surf this site! There are no restrictions...and many X-rated!

Website:

<http://www.onetruemedia.com/>

Web2.0 Tool #16:

Quiz Egg

Build automatically graded quizzes that can be published online, then view the results in easy-to-read reports.

The online quiz maker let's you quickly and easily make sophisticated quizzes that can be completed by your students online. Quizzes are automatically graded for you, so there is no need to spend hours correcting them yourself. All the quiz results are analyzed and aggregated for you in easy-to-read reports. Sign up for a free account today and see what you've been missing!

QuizEgg handles six types of questions: multiple choice, true/false, multiple response, fill in the blank, word list, and essay.

Questions in the quiz can be randomized, or the order can be explicitly specified.

Website:

www.quizegg.com

Web2.0 Tool #17:

Twitter; What are you doing?

Twitter is a service for friends, family, and co-workers to communicate and stay connected through the exchange of quick, frequent answers to one simple question: What are you doing?

Why? Because even basic updates are meaningful to family members, friends, or colleagues—especially when they're timely.

Website:

www.twitter.com

---until next week