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🌑 In a Nutshell

Intranet vs Internet

An **intranet** is a private computer network connectivity to securely share part of an organization's information or operations with its employees. Example: Ft. Benning's server allows StowersClassesShared; H-Drive for Teachers; etc. You can NOT access the intranet from home.

The **Internet** is a worldwide, publicly accessible network that you can access anywhere. Example: www.google.com



Delete Temporary Internet Files & Cookies

(If you go on the Internet a lot, delete files at least once a week; at school and home)

- Click on Internet Explorer
- Click "Tools"
- Click "Internet Options"
- "General" Tab is the default
- Click "Delete Cookies"
- Click "Delete Files





Computer to TV Display; you can easily project any computer application to a TV with an AverKey Connector. (Angie bought everyone that wanted an AverKey last year. Hope you are using it! Let me know if you need a refresher course)

Zipping a File to Send as an Email Attachment

Why would you need to "zip"?

If you have files that are too large, Zipping will compress the files so they can be sent as an attachment.

- 1. Go to the folder where the photos are located.
- 2. Right-click on the folder
- 3. Click on "Send To"
- 4. Click on "Compressed Zipped Folder"
- 5. Your zipped folder will appear.

When attaching it to an email message, just click on the paper clip and go to where the zipped file is located, click on it then click insert. Created by Sue Ann Dixon. ET



Enchanted Learning

http://www.enchantedlearning.com/Home.ht ml

This site is awesome! Children's educational web sites and games designed to stimulate creativity, **learning**, enjoyment, and imagination. There are crafts and worksheets for every curricular area and grade level.

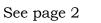
There is a \$20.00 yearly fee—but it is worth EVERY penny! I have a subscription if you are interested I will be happy to let you view all the goodies on my computer.

Tips for Home

Pop-Up Blockers

Don't you hate all those pop-up advertisements! Here's the solution:

- Click Internet Explorer
- Click "Tools"
- Click Pop-up Blocker
- Click "Turn off Pop-up Blocker







Software for Grades K-3.

WiggleWorks sets the standard for

beginning-reading software with an

award-winning blend of technology,

literature, and teacher support. This

and writers. WiggleWorks provides

instruction, and motivation to engage

WiggleWorks helps teachers scaffold

instruction and move students toward

With **WiggleWorks**, all of your students

because WiggleWorks offers a research-

will become better readers and writers

based, proven formula for promoting

leveled reading practice, built-in

students in reading and writing.

reading independence.

literacy in young readers.

media-rich program integrates leveled

books with technology and instruction to

help children become successful readers



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Reading

Research on the effectiveness of WiggleWorks has shown that among first-graders who used the program, test scores went up on four measures of the Iowa Tests of Basic Skills. WiggleWorks books and software provide instruction in the five key areas of **No Child Left Behind** and **Reading First:** phonemic awareness, phonics, fluency, vocabulary, and comprehension.

Writing

With WiggleWorks, writing opportunities abound. Students can write responses to the stories they read or create their own versions, both on the computer and off. Research demonstrates the positive impact WiggleWorks has on all aspects of children's writing-skill development, including content, style, and mechanics.

Language Support, Including Listening and Speaking

WiggleWorks is interactive—it reinforces print concepts in multiple forms so students can internalize those concepts. All students, including second-language learners, become more fluent and confident readers.

All Stowers Computers has WiggleWorks!

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To save a website you just add them to your favorites so that when you want to go there you can just easily click on them. Favorites is one of the standard buttons (gold star) you will see when you open a website. If you do not see the

Here's how:

- 1. Find a site you enjoy and would like to come back to later. This is the fun part!
- 2. Click on the Favorites icon in the toolbar. You'll see a drop down menu or a left side screen window pop up
- 3. Select "Add"

**At this point check and see what the name of the website is. You can change it .(Example: Stowers Website)

4. Click OK

To find any website that you have put in your Favorites:

- 1. Open Internet Explorer
- 2. Click on the Favorites (star) icon
- 3. Find the website on the left, and click on it It will take you straight to that website.

--See you next week!

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Spotlight

on Software