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STEM education: full STE(A)M ahead at your Library Learning Commons!



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What is STEM?





Why STEM?

THE CHALLENGE

Fostering a knowledge-based and creative economy to ensure
Canada grows, prospers and remains competitive with its peer countries
requires a diverse talent pool with a strong STEM skills.

Source: Let's Talk Science

CANADA PAYS BIG PRICE WHEN STUDENTS DROP SCIENCE AND MATH COURSES Every year Canada spends over on K-12 education Compulsory STEN of students complete in most provinces/territories senior STEM courses

CANADA'S JOBS OF THE FUTURE NEED STEM

70% of top jobs in Canada require STEM education

STEM workers earn an average of 26% more and are less likely to experience job loss

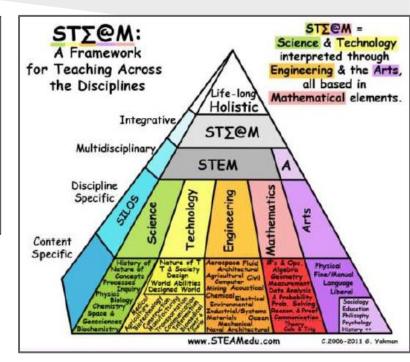
STEM Learning: beyond 4 disciplines



Definition: A trans-disciplinary approach to inquiry and problem-based learning that fosters collaboration, creativity, and innovation in all students (TDSB)

Source: TDSB,

STEM: a learning approach that can be used with ALL subjects, with ALL learners



Source: STEAM Education, http://steamedu.com

STEM in the LLC Context

Learning Partnerships

The Learning Commons provides a space where everyone in a school can work together. Teachers, teacher-librarians, principals, technical staff, students... all can collaborate in learning partnerships. And all can switch the emphasis from teaching to learning. With everyone modeling how to learn, the learning prod

Source: Together For Learning (2010)



Some metaphors for the school library learning commons might be: learning laboratory, idea

factory, studio or even "great room: in the school

and community.

experimentation, innovation, creativity and playing to learn. Leading Learning (2014)

Imagination and Creativity

Imagination is a talent that atrophies when it's not used often enough. A recent study shows 98% of four year olds could be classified as divergent thinkers. By age 12, however, this percentage dwindles to 10%. Daily opportunities to use "creative muscles" result in exciting learning experiences, individualized expression and self-directed learning. End

Creating a Culture of Inquiry

Inquiry is a complex process of constructing personal meaning, applying critical thinking skills, solving problems, creating understanding, and questioning.

Build learning environments that support and nurture inquiry,

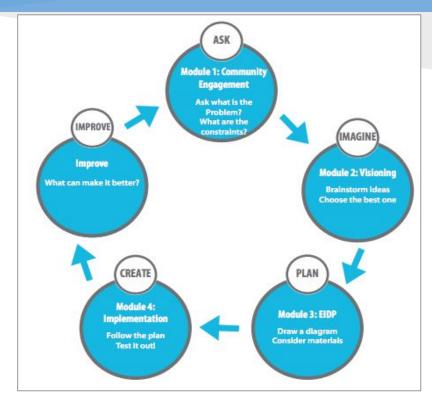
Technology in Learning

Students appear to have natural abilities to use emerging technology. But the reality is, while students easily grasp the entertainment and communication value of the devices they use, they need to be taught how these tools can be used in learning and critical thought. This is a task for the Learning Commons.

Inquiry & Engineering (PBL)



Model of Inquiry



Engineering Design Process

Growth mindset ...

- Challenges with STEM:
 - perception of STEM
 - how students identify themselves
- Role School LLC plays in a student's "STEM Identity" (School Librarians can be Crucial Partners in STEM, STEMWire July 10, 2013).

Alison Kinahan

Reply to George Couros, Alec Couros, Deborah McCallum

What would happen if our students wrote failure reports after innovating? @gcouros @courosa @Bigideasinedu failforward.org/wp-content/upl...

@alkinahan

3 RETWEETS

- Building a culture of risk taking and freedom to make mistakes to develop critical thinking skills: "Fail Forward" thinking! (twitter-verse!)
- <u>Carol Dweck</u> and the power of YET!

Inquiry and STEM/STEAM... a perfect fit in the Library Learning Commons!

- The power of the generalist supporting *all curriculum areas* (multi/inter/trans-disciplinary approaches)
- Collaboration with colleagues and students to Support STEM Thinking and build a positive "STEM Identity"
- Focus on *Inquiry-Based learning* inquiry in all curriculum areas (inquiry instruction from guided to independent)
- *Technology* integration/transformation (student engagement)
- *Co-learner* stance individual choice/risk-taking in learning (voice/choice)

STE(A)M at TDSB- What's happening in our TDSB elementary/M.School LLCs?

Two different approaches to Making:

Raman Sarai: Westwood Middle School gr 6-8: MakerSpace

Megan Linton: John A. Leslie , JK-8: Makerspace

Math and Collaboration @YOUR LLC Mira Campbell F.H. Miller JK-6:

Westwood Middle School

Getting Started on the Makerspace...
An Evolving Experience

Ramandeep Sarai

The Middle School LLC

- Enhancing the book exchange period with innovation, creation and play.
- Students rotate and try out various activities that promote critical thinking, problem solving, literacy skills, cooperative skills and more.

Rationale

"Adolescent learners may:

- be accustomed to receiving information quickly
- prefer multi-tasking
- prefer non-linear access to information
- engage in games, simulations, and role play
- engage in social interactions through a variety of technologies"

Adolescent Literacy Guide: A Professional Learning Resource for Literacy, Grades 7-12. N.p.: Ontario Ministry of Education, 2012. Print.

Adolescent:

Cognitive	Emotional	Social
 ability to think more about a variety of possibilities improved abstract thinking skills to think more about thinking(metacognition) 	 empathy for others emotional self-control 	 personal identity social identity sense of independence strong relationships

Adolescent Literacy Guide: A Professional Learning Resource for Literacy, Grades 7-12. N.p.: Ontario Ministry of Education, 2012. Print.

Activities

- 1. Word Nerd
- 2. Back to the Future
- 3. Build
- 4. All the Good Apps Are Taken
- 5. Reading is Jawsome!
- 6. Create: Make Your Mark

Word Nerd

In small groups, students play literacy based

board games:







Back to the Future

- Using old technology, students take apart old technology to see how it was built
- You will need safety goggles, screwdrivers
- Most equipment are broken down computers from the school.
- Second hand stores are a good place for collecting old technology or ask for donations

Back to the Future





Build

 Students work with lego to build or play Jenga





All The Good Apps Are Taken

- Students (in pairs) are given an app to play with
- Students focus on the how the app works and how it could be useful for them in their learning
- Students discuss and if time share their creation with the class

Create: Make Your Mark

 Students use recycled materials that I have collected over time

• Students create or <u>build anything</u> they want





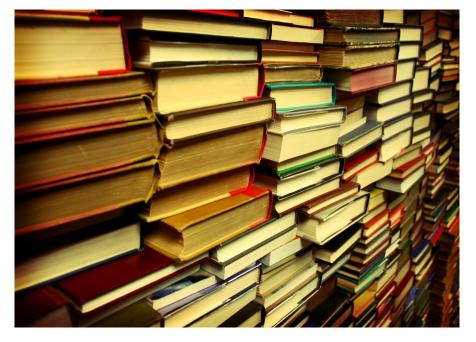


Reading is Jawesome



For students who love to read, they can look for

a book to enjoy



T-L Role

During the makerspace times:

- Observing student interactions and conversations
- Questioning students
 - What skills did you use for this activity?
 - How could use what you did in a class project or assignment?
 - What was challenging about this activity?
 - What did you like about this activity?

Reflection

- Build in time for reflection, either written piece or as a class discussion
- APP reflection
- <u>Reflection</u>

"We had to use our collaboration skills to figure out how to work together to have the jenga pieces stay together."

"It was fun to see how a computer is put together."

Activity:			
What did you like about this activity?			
What could be better for this activity?			
	APP TITLE?		
What skills from this activity could you use in your learning?	What did you like about this app?		
	What did you not like this about ap		
	How could use this app in your learning?		

Logistics

- Work with the classroom teacher to predetermine groups or decide during book exchanges
- 50 minute periods every 2 weeks
- Open dialogue with staff and students for the rationale behind the makerspace
- Gathering materials
- Pop-up space (Storage options)
- Takes time to build the routine



Revisions

- Get student and teacher feedback to alter activities
- Change up the centres or have specific tasks connected to books in the various centres
- Still a work in progress....

The Future:

3-D printing, minecraft, coding and more....

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John A. Leslie Public School

Our Journey Through the MakerSpace Age...

The vision...

The idea for the JAL Innovation Lab came out of a desire to change the culture of the school; to embed creativity and problem solving throughout the curriculum. The iLab has become a learning hub for project based learning at the school, but innovation and the Maker/Hacker ethos is on display in classrooms throughout the school.

Computer Lab to MakerSpace

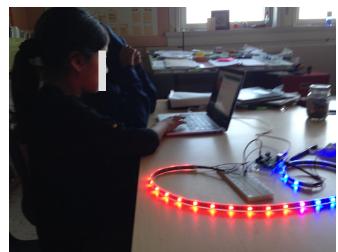




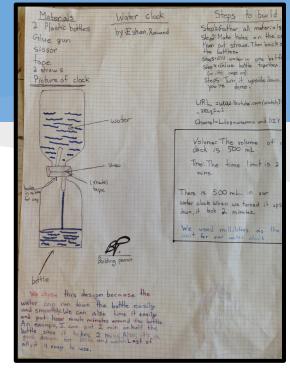
"Maker" in the classroom

Opportunities to Use Tools in Various Subjects





Use of Technology In Math and Science



Building/design Math Activities

Innovation Lab

It starts with a problem...

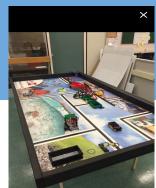
Gr. 2/3
Various problems after seeing a remake of the "True Story of the Three Little Pigs" by R.H King

STEM CLUB Gr. 5 **Gr. 7**

How do we get students of JAL/community to dispose of/recycle batteries safely?

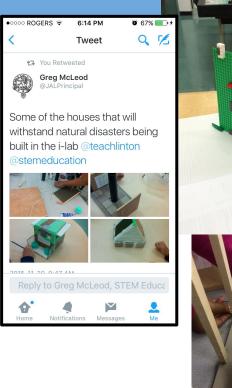


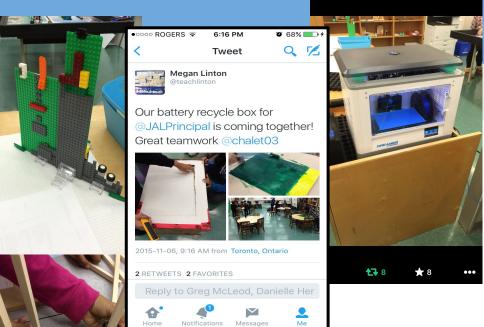
Natural disasters occur all around the world. How can you create a structure to defy this force?











How does it work?

- Role as a TL MaRS Discovery District to promote Entrepreneurial Thinking
- Partnering
- Scheduling
- Planning time
- How else do students get to come down?

Other projects...

- -Community networking/outreach for supplies/donations
- -Grade 2/3's Working with STEM club at R.H. King
- -Visitors for sharing/feedback

Next Steps...

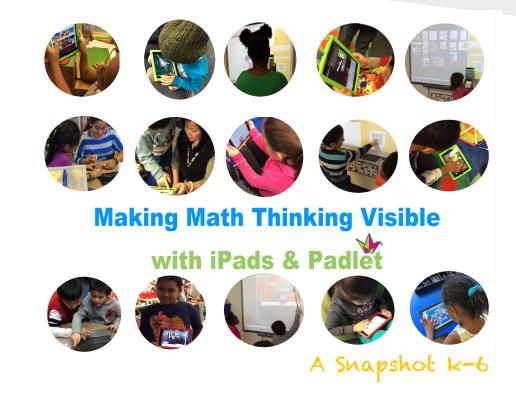
- -Getting students to explicitly identify the connections between Math, Art and Science during STEM/STEAM based activities
- -Increase class access to the space
- -STEM kits to go

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Mira Campbell

Learning Goal



To strengthen students' math communication & improve student achievement.

The Elementary LLC

 Collaborative partnership with classroom teachers during Library periods

• Students (K-6) communicate and demonstrate their learning in math using iPads & Padlet

Making Math Thinking Visible



Video Trailer

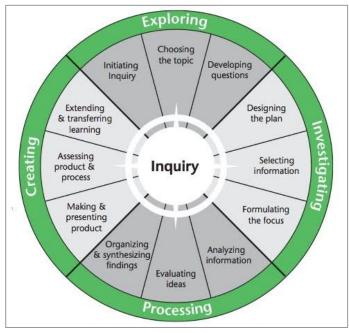
Format

- Library Period (40-60 Minutes)
- Partnership between Classroom Teacher & TL
- 3-Part Math Lessons
- Hands-On
- Students work in groups using iPads & post on Padlet
- Choice given to students on *how* to communicate ideas

Planning

- Can be informal...not always joint prep time
- Used Google Docs to collaborate & plan
- Planned outside of instructional hours
- Homeroom teachers support allowed for focused instruction in LLC

Model of Inquiry



Model of Inquiry

3-Part Math Lesson aligns with Inquiry



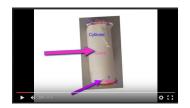
Why Padlet?

- Similar to online 'live' bulletin board
- Easily accessible
- Collaborate in real time
- Customizable
- Post comments with multimedia
- Revisit work anytime
- Easily shared
- Provides <u>assessment</u> & activity data for teachers



Student Using QR Code to post on Padlet

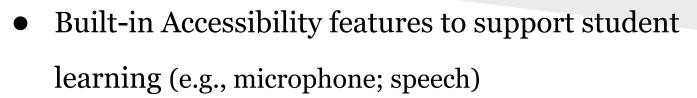
Student Video Embedded in Padlet





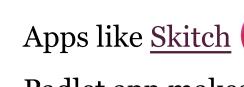
Why iPads?





























Making Thinking Visible...

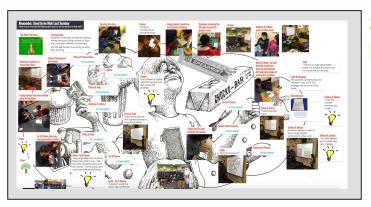


The Impact on Student Learning

- Ongoing documentation
- Multiple ways to demonstrate learning
- Technology allows for *all* students to participate
- Creates an authentic record of the learning
- Self/peer descriptive feedback



Evidence of Learning



Students Choose How They Demonstrate Own Understanding

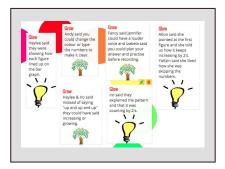


Students Annotate Photographs of their Work to Show Thinking



Students
Improve Math
Vocabulary By
Presenting

Students Use Manipulatives to Solve Problems

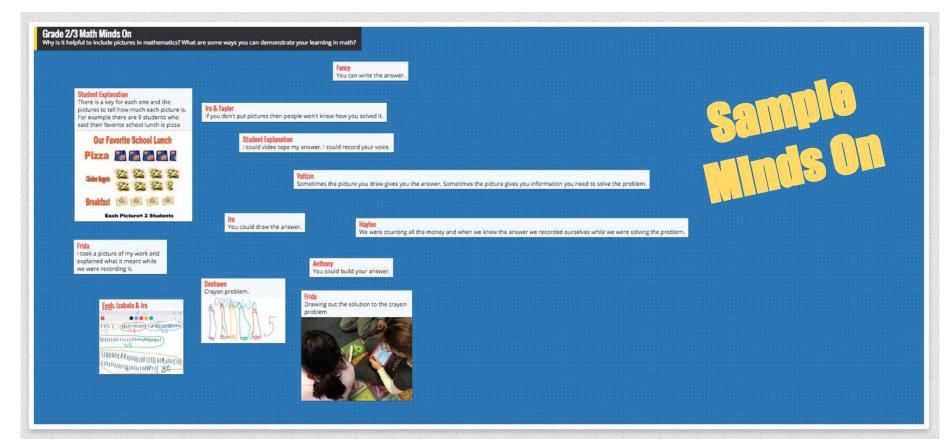


Peer Assessment using "Glow & Grow"





FH Miller Padlets Snapshot: K-6



Grade 2/3 Pictures in Math Ms. Narayan's Class



Kindergarten - Measurement Ms. Chow's Class



Measurement
Courtney Smyth's Kinder Class
Chalkfarm



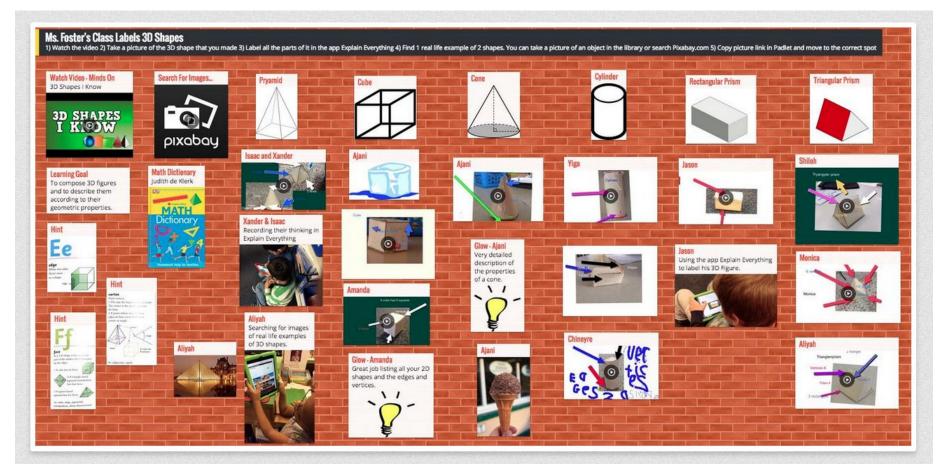
Kindergarten - 3D Talking Shapes Ms. Chow's Class



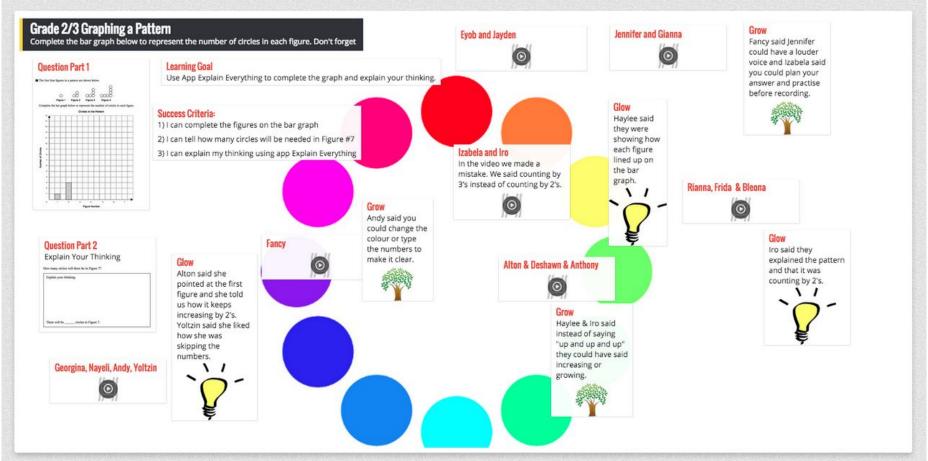
Kindergarten - Estimation Ms. Palmer's Class



Kindergarten -3D Shapes Ms. Palmer's Class



Grade 1 - 3D Solids Ms. Foster's Class



Grade 2/3 - Graphing Ms. Narayan's Class



Math & Literacy

Grade 2/3 - Money Problem Solving
Ms. Narayan's Class



What is Padlet? According to Students...



"A padlet is for <mark>learning your mistakes</mark> and fixing you mistakes and when you have a question like the padlet you can finish it fast." ~ Eyob

"Padlet is we're you post work that you did because so we can look at it again and again." ~ Izabela

"Because we post all our answers and share them as a class and see who gets the right answer." ~ Iro

<u>"It is something <mark>that you use to do</mark></u> math and check work that you did and put work in groups." ~ Haylee

"Padlet is waer we post awer aster." ~ Rianna

> "Something that we put <mark>online</mark> so people can see it." ~ Gianna

Reflections...

Successes

- Improved student math communication
- Students engagement high
- *All* learners can participate
- Transfer math skills & apply in new context
- Demonstrated the importance of continuous learning to students

Challenges

- Investment of Time
- Managing varying levels of teacher experience & commitment
- Lessons can extend over several periods
- Co-Planning
- Technical difficulties

Student Quote



"When we had two teachers we got more help and it was easier because one teacher knew one thing and the other teacher knew other things." You [Ms. Campbell] knew more about ipads and chromebooks and Ms. Gutierrez knew more about the math. So both of you when you were helping us it was really neat how you could work together to make our project better." ~Veronica Grade 4

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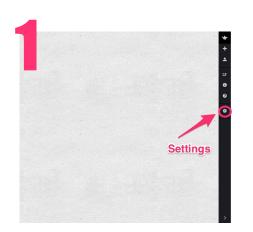


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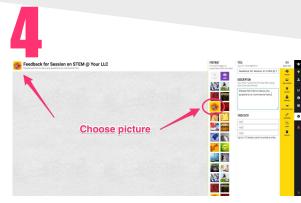
More Padlets: bit.ly/visiblemaththinking

Padlet: A Quick How To...

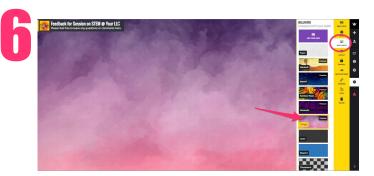




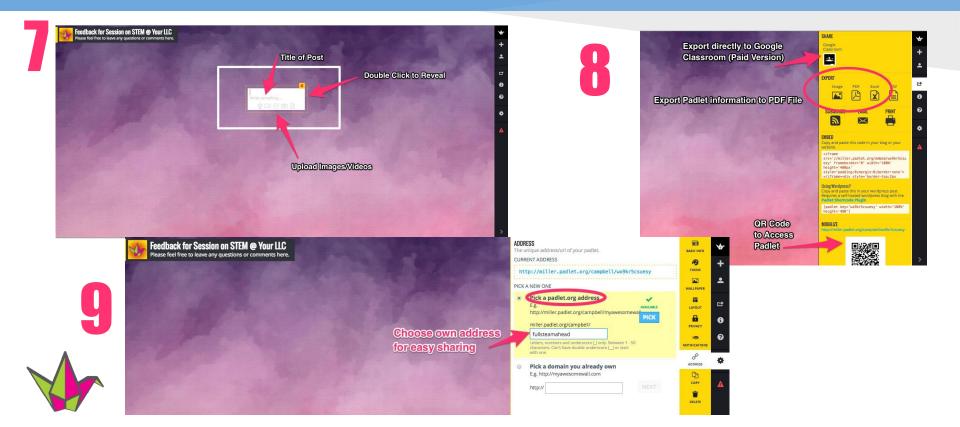








Feedback Padlet



Feedback Padlet



What next...

- 1. What are you already doing that fits with STEM?
- 2. What is one STEM idea you would like to try?
- 3. Who might be a "STEM partner" at your school or in your community?

Resources

- Stem in Action
- Hour of Code
- Lit Bit 4All @alkinahan
- Laura Fleming @NMHS_lms Worlds of Learning
- Twitter lists created by Lisa Dempster TDSB <u>STEM</u>
- Makerspace Reflections by Diana Rendina @DianaLRendina Diana Rendina:
- Diane Rendina's <u>Makerspace Resources</u>
- A year with a 3D printer by Laura Taalman @mathgrrl
- Melanie Barker @indieschoollib Indie School Librarian
- Love the Learning @LisaJDempster
- The Journey from Library to Learning Commons
- Make It @your library
- If you let them build it, they will learn Laura Fleming



Resources .../2

- A Librarian's Guide to Makerspaces: 16 Resources
- Shared doc: Schools with flexible spaces (Makerspaces)
- Worlds of Making by Laura Fleming
- Pinterest Canes Media
- Pinterest Sue Ellen Greer
- STEM Bibliography (Picture Books for JK 8)
- Picture Books to use with STEM
- <u>STEM and Aboriginal Students</u>: T.D.S.B Professional Library bibliography
- <u>STEM and Special Education Bibliography</u> T.D.S.B Professional Library bibliography
- Cybrary Man's Makerspaces #MakerEd sources
- Making SySTEMic Change by Laura Fleming
- Five STEM Tools for any subject
- 20-Time In Education Inspire. Create. Innovate.

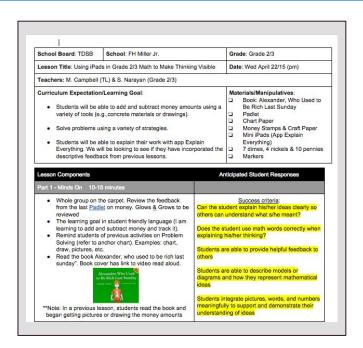
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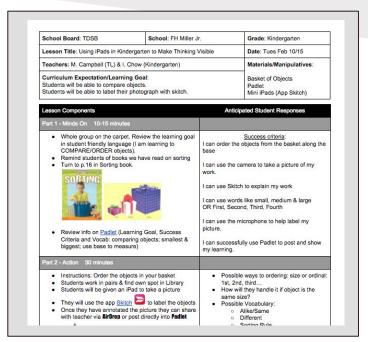


Resources

Lesson Plan Resources



Grade 2/3 Money Literacy
Lesson Plan



Kindergarten Measurement Lesson Plan

Assessment Samples

Grade 1 - Label a Graph

Name the all the parts of the graph.

MIRA · JANUARY 16, 2015

MIRA FEBRUARY 18, 2015 Why do we make bar graphs? What do they tell us?

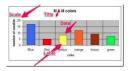
To compare information - Chinvere

So you can see the information quickly. "The blue is taller than all the rest so I know blue has the most m&m's.

JANUARY 16, 2015 Learning Goal:

I can label all the parts of the graph

MIRA FEBRUARY 09, 2015 Jheneil and Aliyah



MIRA FEBRUARY 18, 2015 Where do you get the information from for the graph

The data comes from a survey. Shiloh

MIRA FEBRUARY 18, 2015

Ajani

I learned that label is important so you know what you are talking about. FEBRUARY 18, 2015

Ms. Foster

I wonder if these colour amounts are the same in all packages?

MIRA FEBRUARY 18,

Ajani

I learned that label is important so you know what you are talking about.

MIRA FEBRUARY 18, 2015 Salma

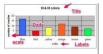
I used the iPad to learn about labels.

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Madison and Amanda



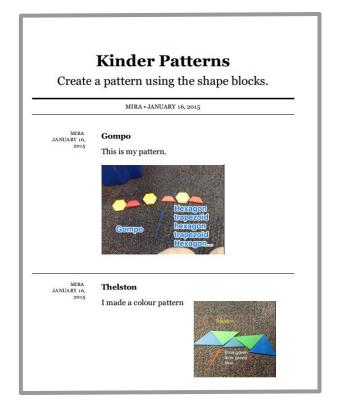
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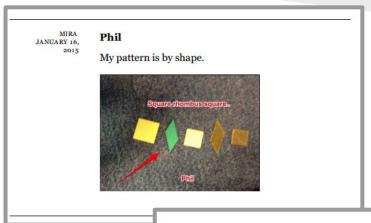
So people know what we are talking about. This label is teaching us about colour, Madison

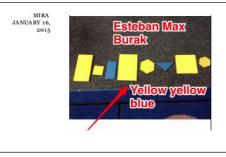




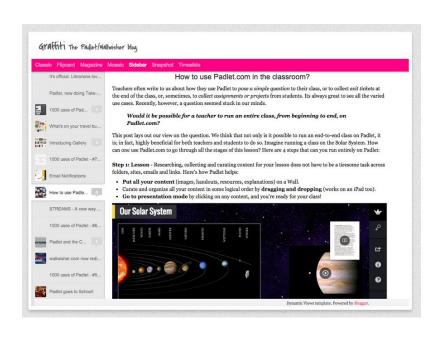
Assessment Samples







Learn More about Padlet



Learn More....

Check out the Padlet Blog for Amazing Ideas!

FAQ's
Padlet Junction



*There is a free version & paid version of Padlet.

Skitch



Features:

- Communicate & collaborate ideas
- Mark-up photos with arrows & words
- Available across platforms (iPad, Computer & Phone)



iPad Tutorial

Explain Everything Tutorial

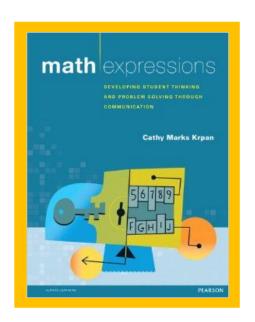






* There has been an update since this tutorial was created. The basic features icons look different but operate the same way.

Recommended Books



Great Math Resource

Success Criteria for Mathematical Discourse & Samples of Effective Questioning



Homework help for families