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Technology Newsletter

NEXT VISTA FOR LEARNING

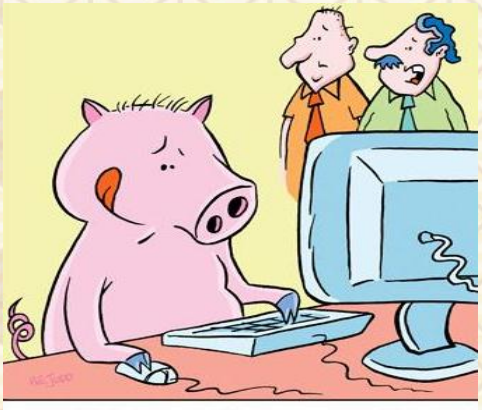
Next Vista For Learning is a new educational video site. There are over 1000 videos in their library with videos in the following categories:

- Careers
- Health/Fitness
- History/Culture
- Inspiration/Creativity
- Literature/Writing
- Math
- Performing Arts
- Science
- Technology
- Visual Arts
- World Languages
- Global Views
- Much More!

There is also a neat "Light Bulb" category that contains videos that teach you how to do something and or provides an explanation of a topic.

Site URL: http://www.nextvista.org/

Technology Cartoon of the Month:



"He's our Spam expert!"

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WEBSITES OF THE MONTH:

Whiz Times: http://thewhiztimes.com/

- **The Whiz Times is a news site designed for kids. It features news articles and videos. The site offers quizzes to go along with many of the articles on the site (required FREE account to access this feature). While the site is geared toward elementary students it can be utilized by all students.**

Sites For Teachers: http://www.sitesforteachers.com/index.html

- **Hundreds of educational sites at your fingertips! Sites are ranked with a description of the site.**

Wordsmyth: http://www.wordsmyth.net/

- **Sweet online dictionary with the following main features: children's dictionaries, word-of-the-day, blog, look-up history, customized pronunciation, glossary and quiz makers, advanced search, and more!**



New iPhone(s) coming out September 10, 2013. Expect color models and a new "gold" series.

TECH TIP

More Caluclator Functions – Windows 7

The Windows 7 calculator comes with a variety of diffent tools – calculate difference between two dates, calculate mortgage info, unit conversions and more. With calculator open choose View and you will see these options.

Quote of the Month:

"It is our moral obligation to give every child the very best education possible."

- Desmond Tutu

Technology Article of the Month

Flashcard Stash

Flashcard Stash is a free vocabulary flashcard service for teachers and students. The service makes it easy to quickly create flashcards and sets of flashcards.

As a registered user of the site when you type a word into a blank flashcard suggested definition and sample context sentences are provided to you.

You can then choose to add one or all of these definitions and sentences to your flashcard or you can write your own. When making your flashcard you can include images. If you don't have time to create your own flashcards you can choose to work with some of the pre-made lists of flashcards.

Teachers registered on Flashcard Stash can create flashcard sets to share with their students. Teachers can create and manage multiple class lists within their accounts. Sharing class lists can be done by inviting students to view the flashcards via email or by posting a password-protected link to the lists on a class blog. The second method requires students to remember the password that you have created to access the list. Word lists can also be embedded into blogs or websites.

Students who are registered on Flashcard Stash can create as many sets of flashcards as they like. Students can also study pre-made lists like "100 words you need to know." When students are reviewing their flashcards they have a few ways to look at their cards. They can simply flip through cards in a "learning mode." The "learning mode" shows student their words on the left of the screen and the definition on the right of the screen. Clicking on the "stash this flashcard" tab on the card in "learning mode" reveals sentences that use the word. In "practice mode" students are shown a word from their lists and a set of definitions, they have to match the correct definition to the word they're seeing. "Match Game" is a faster paced version of "practice mode."

Site URL: Click here.

FREE APP of the Month:

EarthViewer



Follow the earth's history. Find out what the continents and oceans looked like millions of years ago. Follow a favorite landmark and see how it changed through time.

Tech News Bits:

- **Apple to pay up to $280 for used iPhones. – click here**
- **Microsoft purchases Nokia for $7.2 BILLION. – click here**
- **Fastest-Spinning Man-Made Object Created – click here**

Did you see that? – Technology Videos

Trends in Educational Technology: Click Here

Technology Did You Know (Very Interesting): Click here

Grandma Proof Computer (Funny): Click here

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