Off Campus e-Learning READING Websites for Support



There are numerous resources available for students to receive support in literacy instruction through websites. While not all these sites have not been vetted by WCGS, the following are recommendations from the NRP (Nation Reading Panel). Please be mindful that WCGS promotes a balanced screen time philosophy. Students can use these sites to access printable materials to work offline. Reading Skill and Concept Practice and Review

1. http://www.starfall.com/

Starfall.com opened in September of 2002 as a free public service to teach children to read with phonics. Our systematic phonics approach, in conjunction with phonemic awareness practice, is perfect for preschool, kindergarten, first grade, second grade, special education, homeschool, and English language development (ELD, ELL, ESL). Starfall is an educational alternative to other entertainment choices for children.

2. http://pbskids.org/lions/

Looking for fun activities and games you can do with your kids throughout the day to help them learn to read and write? You'll find them here, along with recommended books and tips to get your kids wild about books and reading.

3. http://www.funbrain.com/brain/ReadingBrain/ReadingBrain.html

Since 1997, kids, teachers, librarians, and parents have enthusiastically turned to Funbrain for its free educational games, online books, and comics. Funbrain, created for kids age preschool through grade 8, offers more than 100 fun, interactive games that develop skills in math, reading, and literacy. Plus, kids can read a variety of popular books and comics on the site, including Diary of a Wimpy Kid, Amelia Writes Again, and Brewster Rocket.

- 4. http://kids.nationalgeographic.com/kids/ National Geographic Explorer For Kids is a online version of the award wining magazine.
- 5. http://www.jumpstart.com/

JumpStart World of Learning is a revolutionary educational software solution that transforms math, reading and critical thinking lessons into adventures! In each of the 4 grade-based programs, students are invited to embark on a journey through JumpStart World — a personalized 3D environment that evolves as a student progresses. Along the way, students master dozens of skills based on state and national educational standards. Designed by educators and built with cutting edge interactive technology, JumpStart World of Learning is a powerful supplemental learning program that every early elementary classroom needs.

6. http://streaming.discoveryeducation.com/

Discovery Education offers **free student resources** that bring learning to life both inside and outside the classroom. We invite you to take a look at our **interactive games**, **videos**, **contests**, **virtual labs** and activities designed to help you dive deeper into a topic —and have fun too!

7. http://www.bookadventure.com/

Book Adventure is a FREE reading motivation program for children in grades K-8. Children create their own book lists from over 7,000 recommended titles, take multiple choice quizzes on the books they've read, and earn points and prizes for their literary successes. Book Adventure was created by and is maintained by Sylvan Learning.

- 8. http://teacher.scholastic.com/clifford1/
- Clifford The Big Red Dog: Interactive Storybooks! Phonics fun, games, and stories for early readers.
- 9. http://storynory.com/ Storynory has published a new audio story every week since November 2005.
- 10. <u>Highlights Online</u> the Highlights kids magazine in a online website form with stories, jokes, kids news, current events, and reading and language arts games.
- 11. http://www.funology.com/ Funology is the best place on the Web to find things to do. Not just while you're sitting at the computer, but anywhere. Things to do by yourself or with your friends, your parents, your pets, anyone. We'll teach you a million and one ways to make things, explore the world, and discover skills you never knew you had. You'll use words, numbers, facts, ideas, and objects you find around the house. It's one place where you'll never be bored!

- 12. http://www.storytimeforme.com/ Story Time For Me provides a unique and fun learning experience for toddlers all the way up through 2nd grade school aged children. We want kids to see that reading can be just as fun (if not more!) than watching TV and playing video games. We believe that by providing superior stories with award winning illustrations, unique animation, and professional narration enhanced with music and sound effects, Story Time For Me will bring back the magic in reading
- 13. http://www.exploratorium.edu/

The Exploratorium isn't just a museum, it's an ongoing exploration of science, art, and human perception—a vast collection of online interactives, web features, activities, programs and events that feed your curiosity.

14. http://www.zula.com/

Zula USA, LLC is a leading provider of educational products designed to provide and promote science and math education as well as reading literacy for children in PreK through 3rd grade - a group for whom early exposure and intervention has proven most effective. Zula's comprehensive program addresses the national call for science, math and reading literacy education among PreK and early elementary students, provides a critical foundation in understanding core concepts and content and promotes the development of critical thinking skills.

15. http://www.thekidzpage.com/

Thekidzpage.com website for kids! Hundreds of free kids games, puzzles, activities, coloring pages, clip art & more for children, families, parents, teachers... Kids of all ages are invited to play! We also have free online games, puzzles and kids printables in the kids games & activities sections! New educational and fun games, activities and printables added on a regular basis for kids, schools and family fun

- 16. http://www.meetmeatthecorner.org/
- 17. http://readworks.org Free, research-based K-6 reading comprehension lesson plans and nonfiction reading passages & question sets.
- 18. http://www.readingbear.org Reading Bear is a fun way to learn to read. We teach over 1,200 vocabulary items. Our 50 presentations cover all the main phonics rules. All free and nonprofit!