

Online Tools

1.) **Name:** Flipgrid

URL: <https://info.flipgrid.com/>

Type: Video, Collaboration, Simulation, Drill & Practice, Tutorial

Description: I used this tool in my Teacher Ed PE class and I loved it! It is an excellent collaboration tool. You create a group, invite the students and then the students create video discussions based on a teacher-set topic. Students and the teacher can respond to the videos with their own response videos. You can also share previously made videos and texts with your students. Students can send out their own research videos. You can also combine video clips to make "Mixtapes." Shorts and screen captures can also be created for sharing and/or collaborating.

Use: I would use this app for all of the things listed in the description above. As much as kids love making videos these days, having them research something and then video themselves talking about it is an awesome contribution to the lesson and classroom environment.

Example: <https://flipgrid.com/0869f503>

2.) **Name:** ReadWriteThink

URL: <http://www.readwritethink.org/>

Type: Lesson Planning, Drill & Practice, Tools

Description: This website is a multi-purpose powerhouse! You can find lesson plans, student interactives, professional development, presentations and even calendar activities. Three things set this website apart from others. One, it is for teachers AND students. Two, you can filter down to just about any and everything, like grade level, subject or even themes. Three, almost everything in this site is printable! It's a teacher's dream!

Use: I would use this website for everything that it offers. The example below is where the students create trading cards about the early explorers we're studying in our America's Beginning unit. I would make my life easier by using the pre-made lesson plans. I would use the strategy guides in the professional development section to make me a better teacher. I would love to have a calendar activity for each day and I'm sure my "Sub Tub" would look much better some of the activity print outs.

Example: http://www.readwritethink.org/files/resources/interactives/trading_cards_2/

3.) **Name:** Seesaw

URL: <https://web.seesaw.me/>

Type: Virtual Platform, Tutorial, Tools

Description: This is a virtual learning community. You can upload lessons, activities and assignments. It has journaling and messaging capabilities. It allows for progress monitoring and standard attachments. Students can upload photos, videos, or other attachments. They can draw, take notes and follow links. The teacher creates the classroom and then adds students and even families can join. This is very similar to Google Classroom; like the younger version.

Use: I would use this website as it is intended. I would attach extra practice and homework, allow students to journal, like for this class, use a calendar app within it for calendar math, weather watch, days of school count, etc. This is a great virtual assistant. It's the perfect "extra" for a younger grade level classroom.

Example: [Student Assignment Link](#)

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4.) **Name:** Flocabulary

URL: <https://www.flocabulary.com/>

Type: Instructional Practice, Drill & Practice, Simulation

Description: This website puts topics in raps. Within these topics, vocabulary cards, games, reading responses and quizzes are attached. Another awesome attribute is the “Lyric Lab.” Students can create their own rap based off the information they learned from the other pieces of the unit. Some are single lessons and others are multiple lessons. Topics can be chosen by subject., including life skills If internet is not available or the teacher needs something tactile, all of the information, except the video, can be printed. The best feature of this website is the current events section. There are week in raps where the current events from that week are compiled and provided through a rap.

Use: The current events rap is the best part about this website and will be an excellent contribution to the Monday morning homeroom meeting. The lessons within this website are great for extra practice and would even be great for assessment to ensure students are retaining the lessons. Another great use is for research. When completing research projects, this website provides a huge amount of information in a quick and compact space.

Example: <https://www.flocabulary.com/unit/bullying/>

5.) **Name:** GoogleEarth

URL: <https://www.google.com/earth/>

Type: Informational, Discovery Learning

Description: This website is an awesome tool for discovery learning. This website allows you to discover the world. Not only can you discover the world, you can mark places throughout the world, you can view landmarks, you can customize the view, get location specifics and additional information, get directions, upload videos and photos and you can even put your story on the map as well. Using satellite images, GoogleEarth gives you a worldwide, detailed preview.

Use: I would use GoogleEarth in my classroom to assist with social studies. Students can discover landforms and bodies of water, detailed information about specific places in our world, longitudinal and latitudinal coordinates, create projects, retrieve street views, conduct measurements, take guided tours with storytellers and scientists, follow world events and traditions, and even make hypothetical travel arrangements for a world tour unit.

Example:

<https://earth.google.com/web/@50.12989185,31.46693555,99.94682653a,5406175.46055887d,30y,0h,0t,0r>