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SusanR joined the room.

BJB2: and here's the lady of the hour! Hi, Sue

SusanR: Welcome all to TI!!

BJB2: Sue, would you like to start with brief introductions?

SusanR: I am the moderator this evening. And I am coming to you from Ottawa, Ontario

Canada

JohnKD: Nice to meet you Susan.

BJB2: please introduce yourself: where you are located and what you teach/hope to

teach

SusanR: I have spent most of my career in grades 1 and 2 and now I sub

NatalieBa: Nice to meet you Susan

BJB2: I'm a retired communication and art teacher located in Pennsylvania

JamesRS: James, Houston, 3-4 grades

ChristinaJ: Hello! I'm Christy - at CU Boulder (Colorado). I'm a para-educator in a Kindergarten classroom and hope to enter the elementary licensing program in the fall.

JohnKD: My name is John and I am in Houston. Still not sure what grade I'd prefer to teach.

LorenaV: My name is Lorena Vasquez. I currently attend the University of Houston. I gradute in May! Yey!! EC-4 bilingual teacher

PatriciaRa: Patricia, Houston K-4th

SuzanneM: I am a student teacher 1st grade in Humble, TX

JoMc: I am an undergraduate student at the University of Colorado-Boulder. Major is

psychology and I'm hoping to get my elementary ed licensure

YuryS: I live in Houston, TX and hope to teach pre-k in the Fall or at least the lower grades.

CatherineZ: I'm from Boulder, CO studying to be an elem teacher and currently volunteer in my son and daughter's classrooms

PamRM: I am a student teacher from Humble, TX, 2nd, 3rd, or 4th grades

NatalieBa: Hi I am Natalie Baez from Houston, TX and hope to teach 1st or 2nd

AdrianaNa: Adriana, student teaching at Pasadena ISD. I am interested inteaching K-2

SusanR . o O (a cool crowd here.. I can feel the dedication and enthusiasm)

SusanR: for teaching

SusanR: please visit my resource blog .. I post GREAT RESOURCES on a daily or weekly basis

YuryS: Thanks!

NatalieBa: Thank you

SusanR: and the K to 3 Resource room here .. lots of resources to support our chats here

PamRM: great!

ChristinaJ: So many resources, so little time...

SusanR: I will give you the blog at the end of the session ...please remind me

YuryS: Ok

NatalieBa: ok

CatherineZ: thanks

AdrianaNa: will do

HollyH joined the room.

SusanR: Welcome Holly

BJB2: Welcome, Holly. Sue has just started

HollyH: Thank you.

SusanR: tell us what brought you here and what you expect from the session

HollyH: as always, the wonderful resources that are shared here

SusanR: good answer

JoMc: This is my first session on TI. I am looking for resources that I can use for my education and for my future classroom.

JamesRS: Texas is test heavy with reading and math, this will be a good way to include science to add to the classroom

JohnKD: Good point James.

YuryS: More resources that can be used in the classroom.

PatriciaRa: Additional resources for K-3 in science

SusanR: Any of you have those overhead digital projectors in your classrooms?

JohnKD: I do

PatriciaRa: yes

ChristinaJ: Yes

JoMc: I am also currently writing a paper on the need for environmental education in the classroom. Any insight along those lines would be great

LorenaV: The more resources I have, the better

NatalieBa: As a good teacher looking for more resources to enhance learning

JamesRS: yes

YuryS: Yes

SuzanneM: yes

AdrianaNa: Interested in resources for my current placement and for future use in my classroom

LorenaV: yes

SuzanneM: I need all the resources I can get

SusanR: how are they being used?

KarenL joined the room.

SusanR: hi Karen

PatriciaRa: Mainly to show morning announcements and Magic School Bus videos

YuryS: Not a lot. So far not at all.

KarenL: Hi Susan!

CatherineZ: I attended the Math Resources K-2+ session last week and found out about some great math web sites. I wanted the general overview of the resources available for these grades.

AdrianaNa: yes, it is AWESOME

JamesRS: in limited ways, just following along with reading strategies, justifying answers, that sort of thing

LorenaV: I'm in a pre-k class and it hasn't been used. When I was in a 4th grade class I used it a lot for my lessons and for editing

SuzanneM: I miss spoke we do not have digital

SusanR: My first resource is from a blog I follow

JohnKD: In my room it's used to check work and introduce new concepts.

ChristinaJ: On inauguration day I had photos from the internet up and we talked about the people and places we saw. On the 100th day of school I googled for some songs and we sang the words to a few we found as I projected them for the class.

CatherineZ: During 1st grade math block it's used to intro new concepts.

SusanR: some great ideas!!

HollyH: I use mine daily; it is indispensable

AdrianaNa: It is being used in many different ways. Every are that is being covered is first introduced using the overhead so basically all day long. Teacher creates a lot of the activities

ChristinaJ: I subbed last year for a teacher who was on a trip in Mexico. She e-mailed every day and I put her letter up for her 4th grade class to read.

YuryS: When I was in 3rd grade the teacher and I used it a lot. Practically the whole day.

SusanR: So I thought it worth mentioning this post from a blog I follow ... 50 Ways to Use a Projector in the Classroom

PamRM: that's great

SusanR: Let me know if it's worthwhile

LorenaV: Cool, that's great

YuryS: Thanks!

LorenaV: Where do we find that?

SusanR: It's also a fabulous resource blog for tech integration ideas

NatalieBa: I currently do not have one

JoMc: will you provide a link to that blog?

PatriciaRa: Is there a link?

SusanR: http://langwitches.org/blog/2008/11/19/50-ways-to-use-a-projector-in-the-

classroom/

NatalieBa: Thanks

JoMc: thank you

JohnKD: thank you

PamRM: thanks

YuryS: Thanks

SuzanneM: thank you

CatherineZ: Thank you

LorenaV: thanks

HollyH: on that site, you will also find many awesome ideas using technology/2.0 in the classroom

SusanR: I believe many of us are web2.0 fans!!

JoMc: I am definitely a fan of web 2.0. I know there are critics out there, but there have always been critics when it comes to new means of technology and communication

SusanR: I am a web2.0 geek!!

PamRM: I have not used web 2.0, what is it?

ChristinaJ: I have not used web 2.0, but I've heard of it.

YuryS: me neither, what exactly is it?

SusanR: perhaps we will devote a session to web2.0

PamRM: ok

SuzanneM: good idea

ChristinaJ: I'd love to get in on that one!

NatalieBa: me neither, what is web 2.0?

LorenaV: good idea, I might ask my boyfriend later

NatalieBa: That would be very helpful

HollyH: if you do, I have much I can share

AdrianaNa: If we are talking about the same thing, I believe there is a session next week. Check the calendar

JohnKD: thanks for the heads up Adriana

PamRM: thanks

SusanR: I would suggest you look at these web2.0 videos at your leisure at the end of the session ..it explains web2.0

LorenaV: Thanks Adriana

SusanR: please keep this link for later http://marijnsomers.blogspot.com/2009/02/common-craft-web20-in-plain-english.html

NatalieBa: Thanks

YuryS: Thanks

LorenaV: I will thanks

ChristinaJ: Resources to use the resources... I love that!

BJB2. o O (there is also a Web 2.0 discussion next Thursday, March 19)

SusanR: briefly defined "Web2.0 refers to the new generation of web based services and communities characterized by participation, collaboration and sharing of information among users online.?

JoMc: Tapped In is web 2.0!

SusanR: of course

YuryS: Oh ok.

SusanR: we are collaborating, sharing etc

NatalieBa: Good to know thanks

ChristinaJ: Not to get off line... but is web 2.0 related to wikis?

LorenaV: oohhh! cool

KarlLJ joined the room.

BJB2: welcome, Karl

JohnKD: hi Karl

KarlLJ: hello

BJB2: yes, a wiki is a web 2.0 tool

BJB2 . o O (as is Tapped In)

CatherineZ: Jo, Christy, our online ed psych class would be considered part of web 2.0

LorenaV: I know a wiki and Tapped In!!! Yey I'm not lost anymore

LorenaV smiles

HollyH: wikis, podcasts, blogging

SusanR: any comments about the 50 ways to use...

SusanR: More and more teachers are having a ceiling mounted projector in their

classroom.

NatalieBa: I would love that

JoMc: An interesting book to read is The Cult of the Amateur by Andrew Keen. He is very anti web 2.0 (thinks it is destroying our economy and society) I don't agree, but an interesting read

SusanR: I am certain all of you are using web 2.0 apps

YuryS: We're not that advanced, but that would certainly save some classroom space

LorenaV: I did about 30 of the things listed on my last rotation

SusanR: without realizing it

SuzanneM: are we supposed to be going to the link now or after?

James RS: after

KarlLJ: are you speaking of the K-3 + Resources wild earth?

SusanR: These links will be in your transcript

SusanR: Wild earth TV is next...

SusanR: Wild Earth TV is a LIVE 24 hour per day TV channel that gives you a unique

window into.. wild life in Africa

LorenaV: cool, how do you get it?

JohnKD: niiiice

SusanR: You can add the site to your Earth & Environment Classroom Resources!

YuryS: That sounds interesting!

NatalieBa: wow how nice

SusanR: an interesting resource with potential for classroom use

PamRM: definitely

JoMc: Is that like the Watering Hole website? I've spent time there watching the activity. I'm especially interested since I have been to Africa twice

LorenaV: That's awesome

SusanR: WildEarth (WE) broadcast 24/7 from Djuma Game Reserve in South Africa. Each morning and afternoon they go on a LIVE safari.

YuryS: wow!

JamesRS: good writing prompt for older children

NatalieBa: kids would love that

AdrianaNa: cool

JohnKD: are the safaris always a the same times?

LorenaV: LIVE?!!!! students will love that

JoMc: sounds like it is the same concept as the Watering Hole. I would highly recommend sharing this with students of any age.

AdrianaNa: Is it offered in Spanish?

SusanR: Take a look. Come back in a few minutes

SusanR: Last week they had live video and audio. They had spotted a cheetah in the

wild

SusanR: excellent guides too

YuryS: Wow!

LorenaV: this sounds awesome

SusanR: It may be quiet this evening

SusanR: I will show you a video of a typical session

JohnKD: did I miss a link?

SusanR: however here is the main site first

SuzanneM: how do we find this?

LorenaV: nope

JohnKD: oh

SusanR: WildEarth.TV is available to broadcasters either as a 24/7 channel or as

individual LIVE safaris.

SusanR: http://www.wildearth.tv/home

JohnKD: ah there

PamRM: awesome

NatalieBa: oh ok

SuzanneM: terrific

YuryS: So cool!

JohnKD: what an interesting cacophony

CatherineZ: This is great!

SusanR: There are highlights and archived safaris

NatalieBa: incredible

JamesRS: yeah. kids will really get into this

SusanR: WildEarth is now available 24/7 as a full Standard Definition TV channel. WE also LIVE safari's and LIVE bush walks that can be integrated into your programming.

JamesRS: they can watch it real life

JohnKD: haha this is cool

ChristinaJ: Is it limited to Africa? My 5th grade son is a lemur fan... I'm wondering if they have this for Madagascar?

JoMc: thank you for this link. I will definitely keep this as a resource for my future classroom, and use it with my son in the meantime

SusanR: are you familiar with twitter

LorenaV: That's awesome, are there different cameras around?

YuryS: Not really, but I have heard about it.

JamesRS: I don't even know what twitter is

SusanR: they announce site ..ings thro' twitter

PamRM: I've heard about it

JoMc: I don't partake in Twitter, but have many friends that do. I would spend far too

much time on there

SusanR: so one can follow wild earth on twitter to find about the animal site..ings

JohnKD: haha yes twitter is like facebook status updates James

PamRM: that's neat

Lorena V: oh!!!

SusanR: I believe they have a blog as well

SusanR: http://twitter.com/wildearth

JoMc: That is neat. So if an animal kill were to happen, you would have an instant

update?

NatalieBa: lots of great information. I will definitely use this as a resource. Thanks

LorenaV: cool! that's awesome. Great resource!

SusanR: exactly..twitter keeps you instantly updated

LorenaV: how do you get that?

JamesRS: so its like a blog

SuzanneM: I am learning so much, I had never heard of twitter

SusanR: Here's a typical broadcast

SusanR: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bWr_KCcdTbo

JohnKD: ah my friend youtube

KarlLJ: yeah they have a fair amount of good stuff on cheetahs and other animals

JohnKD: which is blocked by HISD

AdrianaNa: Do we need to create an account for wildearth to access the videos

KarlLJ: The discovery channel got me into that

SusanR: many teachers are collaborating with twitter as well for planning purposes

KarlLJ: what grade are all of you teaching?

PamRM: kinder

ChristinaJ: I think many of the older teachers are "afraid" of all this technology

SusanR: Not necessary to login or create an account with Wild Earth

HollyH: 4th

YuryS: And some of them do not even know about all of this

JamesRS: 4th

YuryS: 4th

KarlLJ: okay 4th sounds about the time I learned about Safari and Africa

NatalieBa: 4th

LorenaV: PreK

SusanR: Tapped In exposes you to all kinds of great resources

LorenaV: It sure does!

JamesRS: the wildearth promo on youtube is really graphic

SuzanneM: 1st

LorenaV: I agree James

YuryS: And very interesting

JohnKD: by graphic you mean amazing

NatalieBa: Yes I am thankful for this resource full of resources

SusanR: 9 hours ago there was a baby hippo site ..ing

SusanR: http://twitter.com/wildearth

KarlLJ: What kind of information are you having the 4th graders learn: geographical location of animals? etc.

JamesRS: graphic as in animals eating other animals

SusanR: twitter will keep you updated

JohnKD: that's nature James!

SusanR: You could use the site with http://animals.nationalgeographic.com/

JamesRS: not for first graders it's not

YuryS: But I don't think its something that they have not seen before

AdrianaNa: Discovery Education is also a great site. The streaming videos are very educational and you can narrow your search by choosing a grade level. Vocabulary used and in depth details depend on the grade level you choose. I love it.

NatalieBa: keeping updated is a must for a teacher

PamRM: I love discovery education

NatalieBa: Thanks Adriana

KarlLJ: See I wish I got animal plant, but I only get discovery

JamesRS: do these sites have interactive programs, that can be utilized with a smartboard?

SusanR: I am sure it can be used or adapted to be used with the smartboard

JoMc: I did volunteer work at a nature discovery school here, grades K-2, they would have loved this site...even the kills.

JoMc: I guess a concern would be parents who thought it was too graphic. Is there an age recommendation for sharing this type of resource?

JohnKD: maybe you could send a note home to parents first about the graphic content

SusanR: all ages I believe

YuryS: that's what I was going to say, John you beat me to it

CatherineZ: It's the best way to learn about the circle of life, but you're right not all parents may want their children exposed to this just yet.

AdrianaNa: I'm not exactly sure but you can create your own. It's more personalized and you only have to include the information you feel is necessary or want to concentrate on. It's more work but you only have to create it one time and continue to use it or simply add more each year.

LorenaV: Its very educational, but yes we need to remember the parents

SusanR: the students will have a tour guide and will feel as if they are going on a Safari

KarlLJ: Do you guys teach the "Food Chain" or have illustrated posters?

JoMc: I'm fortunate because where I live, animal kills happen nightly in the summer (mt. lion, coyote, fox, etc) Parents would not be too upset, I would imagine

JamesRS: I just taught the food chain

JoMc: James, what grade do you teach? Was it 4th?

James RS: 3rd

LorenaV: I believe Science teachers were teaching that about a week ago

KarlLJ: I was introduced to "the chain" in about 6th or 7th grade but that was in the 1990s

SusanR: last resource would allow you to bring in a guest speaker to talk about food chains and whatever or Science specialists

JamesRS: yeah, they are introducing a lot earlier these days

KarlLJ: And I know education and its practice always changes constantly

JohnKD: in person or virtually?

CatherineZ: You're right, Jo, kids in CO are exposed to this at an early age.

LorenaV: I think virtually

KarlLJ: yeah I grew up in Arvada, and now there are foxes and now coyotes

SusanR: virtually or it would allow our class to collaborate with another class

JohnKD: oh niiice

SusanR: on a particular topic

NatalieBa: awesome

YuryS: wow

LorenaV: a class anywhere?

SusanR: arrangements would have to be made of course

KarlLJ: Hey Catherine where do you teach in CO?

SusanR: This next resource allows you to set up a chat room on the fly

SusanR: no login necessary

SusanR: no password necessary ...

JohnKD: is this the same resource as the guest speaker one?

CatherineZ: I'll be starting the teacher licensure program at CU-Boulder this fall. Currently, I volunteer at Superior Elem. Where do you teach, Karl?

SusanR: It is called chatzy

SusanR: http://www.chatzy.com/

NatalieBa: sounds great

PamRM: thanks

SuzanneM: thank you

SusanR: great for teacher collaboration

YuryS: Cool

LorenaV: So you send this to anybody you want?

SusanR: Here is an archived transcript from a session

http://wiki.classroom20.com/Phoenix-Chatzy+archives

SusanR: yes, Lorena

LorenaV: Oh ok

JohnKD: awesome

ChristinaJ: How is this an advantage over e-mail?

SusanR . o O (similar to the chat here)

SusanR: It's live

SusanR . o O (useful for a quick meeting)

JohnKD: so like... AIM or something?

JohnKD: or gchat?

SusanR: or a back channel

JohnKD: ah ok thanks

YuryS: Nice

SusanR: This is an example of the way it can be used

SusanR: I know one teacher who used it with her grade 2 students

SusanR: http://estiesgifts.blogspot.com/2009/02/score-1-more-for-technology-in.html

AdrianaNa: all this is great but feeling a bit overwhelmed with so much information at the same time

PamRM: I will check it out

SusanR: a collaboration between two classes on a particular topic

LorenaV: that's awesome, it's like if she was there

SusanR . o O (before I forget here is my resource blog)

SusanR: http://kinderworks.blogspot.com/

NatalieBa: like that teacher I too love technology

YuryS: Thanks!

PamRM: thanks, Susan

KarlLJ: oh can't forget the zoo fieldtrips

SuzanneM: Thanks

NatalieBa: thanks

JamesRS: we have to use technology

JoMc: thank you Susan

PatriciaRa: Thank you

Catherine Z Thanks! Just showed my 4th grader the Wild Earth site - "cool!"

James RS: thanks

LorenaV: Thanks, this could come in handy

LorenaV: Is like the Ron Clark movie but more advance

JoMc: My 17 month old is enthralled with the Wild Earth noises. Works for elementary

kids and crying babies!

SusanR grins

SusanR: the sounds are soothing

JohnKD: ahaha

JohnKD: nice

JohnKD: nature's lullaby

CatherineZ: the best white noise machine

SusanR: before I go what topics would you like to see or discussed here

LorenaV: wow your blog has a lot of resources Susan

YuryS: I know that they will come in handy! Thanks!

AdrianaNa: My 6 year old is into animals, loves going to Barnes and Noble to buy animal books

JamesRS: discipline management

SusanR: http://www.bemboszoo.com/

NatalieBa: Yes Susan your blog is still loading with lots of useful information

AdrianaNa: thanks

SusanR: Great for 4 to 6 year olds or even adults

KarlLJ: Curriculum wise, I think it would be interesting to create workshops that tie in African cultures with wildlife both past and present

JohnKD: good stuff

SuzanneM: Please remember to send us the transcript. Thank you for all of the great sites. I would love great book ideas for K-3

CatherineZ: Honey, Honey, LION by Jan Brett

CatherineZ: I work at the library, too, I'll see what else I can dig up re: Africa and post the info.

HollyH: thank you for the great resources

LorenaV: wow the first page is awesome, it's a great attention getter!

YuryS: Thanks for everything!

PamRM: thanks

BJB2: The next K-3 Discussion will be on March 24. If you haven't already done so, join the K to 3+ Resource Room in Tapped In

SusanR: Please post any resources or requests in the K to 3 Resource Room

JoMc: Thank you Susan.

BJB2: Thanks, Sue.

AdrianaNa: Everything will be very useful

CatherineZ: A lot of great info tonight - thank you.

BJB2 waves goodnight

SuzanneM: Thank you

JamesRS: thanks again

YuryS waves

KarlLJ: Thank you very much Susan and everybody here

JeffC: There's a link here under "Featured Passageways" (In the main TI window).

PamRM waves

ChristinaJ: Thanks and goodnight!

KarlLJ: bye bye

LorenaV: Thank you for the sites!

NatalieBa: great stuff I will be sure to revisit every link to learn more about these wonderful resources. Thanks I will see you March 24 to learn more useful information

JeffC: if you go to the room, scroll down the top frame and click the little "i" in the green circle in the Welcome box and then click the link to "Join this group"

LorenaV: This last website is awesome....the letters turn into the animals!!!!