**Title of Session:** K-3+ Resources - Holidays Across the Curriculum

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SusanR: Tonight's session "Holidays Across the Curriculum"

CamilleL: can I still participate without going on that site you recommend?

DavidWe waves to Susan

**SusanR**: that is the stumbling block at school these days..no plug-ins and blocking...enough to turn teachers off integrating tech into the curriculum

BJB2: all the urls will be in the transcript, so you can access them from another location

**SusanR**: Well let's begin with intros...what brings you to my session or Tapped In at this busy time of year

CamilleL: we love you Sue!

**SusanR**: I am Sue from Ottawa, Ontario Canada; former ETI (Educational Technology Integrator) and now K to 8 Occasional Teacher

**CamilleL**: is that like a substitute teacher, eh?

**BJB2**: I'm an art teacher in Pennsylvania

SusanR: call us Guest Teachers as well

CamilleL: I like that one better.

SusanR: fancy title for sub

**DavidWe**: I'm David Weksler. I'm in Bucks County, PA at the moment. I help teachers learn more about technology, especially for math and science.

**CamilleL**: I didn't realize I liked science so much until I learned about webquests.

**CamilleL**: I have two of them posted on my e coach.

**EmilyW**: I am a helpdesk volunteer

CamilleL: hello Emily.

**SusanR**: give us the URL, Cams

CamilleL: My ecoach.com

CamilleL: I think there's a hyphen in there somewhere

SusanR: <a href="http://my-">http://my-</a>

<u>ecoach.com/online/webresourcelist.php?rlid=3569&PHPSESSID=9e1932cf45feb837f6df</u> dc2e9fd436d3

SusanR: scroll down until you find the Monarch Butterfly project...that's Camille's

**CamilleL**: oh, Sue, they took me off the main page. There's someone new being featured.

CamilleL: I have Eat Like a Bird and the Monarch Butterfly now.

CamilleL: I'm in class right now, so try this: navigate there as a guest.

SusanR: They are both excellent...

**CamilleL**: thank goodness I had some of the sites on a powerpoint so my presentation wasn't a total loss.

**SusanR**: How long did it take you to search for the resources and put it together as a webquest, Camille

**CamilleL**: I would highly recommend emints as a great resource, and then yahooligans, and

CamilleL: enchanted learning

CamilleL: teachers' domain and united streaming are great also.

CamilleL: for pictures and videos.

CamilleL: then my e coach has the templates and asks you questions to help you formulate the quest.

CamilleL: or you could also do the quest on filamentality.

**CamilleL**: they have templates and it's really easy to do.

**SusanR**: similar to Bernie Dodges QuestGarden. Camille??

**CamilleL**: absolutely -- it's by the one he mentored -- Tom March.

CamilleL: Filamentality.com

SusanR: I have used Filamentality ..

http://www.kn.pacbell.com/wired/fil/pages/listkindersu.html

**CamilleL**: it's a great website -- says it's for 5th through 8th, but I adapted it to 3rd through 5th.

SusanR: Let's Focus on Holidays across the Curriculum for the moment, Camille

CamilleL: I'm focused.

**SusanR**: and the site you suggested...Grandpa Tucker...

**CamilleL**: yes, which ones did you like best there?

SusanR: a handy site for poems, songs, ideas to get you thro' the next few weeks

CamilleL: absolutely.

CamilleL: a total winner with the kiddies.

SusanR: Grandpa Tucker's Rhymes and Tales

SusanR: http://www.grandpatucker.com/

**SusanR**: anything catch your eye here?

**SusanR**: let students peruse the site and do their own choosing...to present to the class

SusanR: group the students

**SusanR**: Emily, Camille.. I tagged the session using del.icio.us

SusanR: <a href="http://del.icio.us/sroseman/Winter Holiday Celebrations">http://del.icio.us/sroseman/Winter Holiday Celebrations</a>

**EmilyW**: should I browse the links there?

**SusanR**: just get an overview ..and I will highlight a few

**SusanR** . o O ( notice Grandpa Tucker's site at the top of the list )

**SusanR**: if you are thinking of creative writing try Haiku ReadWriteThink Lesson Plan: Seasonal Haiku: Writing Poems to Celebrate Any Season

**SusanR**: <a href="http://www.readwritethink.org/lessons/lesson\_view.asp?id=39">http://www.readwritethink.org/lessons/lesson\_view.asp?id=39</a>

SusanR: I plan to use this lesson plan with a spec ed class next week

CamilleL: oh wow, tell me how, Sue. Hubby's a 6th grade sp ed teacher.

**SusanR**: I am spending two days there and should be able to cover the complete lesson plan

CamilleL: oh, wow, I'm printing it out for him now. Thanks.

**SusanR**: we must be on the same wave length

CamilleL: it seems very detailed -- 4 pages long.

**SusanR**: if you have any old xmas cards (excuse me should we be calling them Holiday Cards?)

**SusanR**: then think about this lesson plan

SusanR: from successlink.org

**SusanR**: http://www.successlink.org/gti/gti\_lesson.asp?lid=3013

SusanR: http://www.successlink.org

**SusanR**: this one integrates science

**SusanR**: The student will read an article about other planets in our solar system and how conditions there would affect Santa's Christmas deliveries

SusanR: http://www.teachersfirst.com/lessons/planet-xmas-start.html

CamilleL: oooooh, gotta tell last night prof about this one. thanks again.

**SusanR**: there is more here

**SusanR**: <a href="http://www.teachersfirst.com/lessons/christmas.htm">http://www.teachersfirst.com/lessons/christmas.htm</a>

SusanR: Hanukkah • Ramadan • Kwanzaa

**SusanR**: are equally recommended

**CamilleL**: I'm printing this one for the class -- God creates the first teacher.

SusanR takes a second look

SusanR: <a href="http://www.iearn.org/projects/teddybear.html">http://www.iearn.org/projects/teddybear.html</a>

SusanR: The Teddy Bear Project

SusanR: To foster tolerance and understanding of cultures other than your own.

**SusanR**: After teachers register, the facilitator matches you with a partner class.

**SusanR**: The classes send each other a Teddy Bear or other soft toy by airmail through the normal postal system.

**SusanR**: The bear sends home diary messages by email at least once a week.

**CamilleL**: how cool is that?

CamilleL: great for global communication skill development.

LynneW joined the room.

SusanR: integrate with Health

http://www.learnersonline.com/weekly/lessons05/week42/index.htm

SusanR: Hi Lynne

LynneW waves hello

SusanR: Holidays Across the Curriculum is the topic of the evening

SusanR: you might be interested in this for character development with students

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**LynneW**: These are wonderful resources Susan.

**CamilleL**: and here in New York, that could right in your own classroom.

**SusanR**: the virtual handout is about to be projected...

**SusanR**: <a href="http://trackstar.4teachers.org/trackstar/ts/viewTrack.do?number=183690">http://trackstar.4teachers.org/trackstar/ts/viewTrack.do?number=183690</a>

**SusanR**: and some extraneous links collected here http://del.icio.us/sroseman/Winter Holiday Celebrations

**SusanR**: any site you wish to share, Lynne...to get us thro' the holiday season?

**LynneW**: I'm not prepared to share...sorry I'm the Grinch tonight. I'm sneaking in here between my grad students' group presentations.

**BJB2** looks at the clock on the wall

**SusanR**: You are welcome here anytime

SusanR: A few years ago our class focused on Hanukah

**SusanR**: the dances, the dreidle, the food, the traditions

**LynneW**: May I feature these resources on my ed tech resources blog? I'll be sure to give

credit.

SusanR: a reader's theater

SusanR: absolutely

LynneW: Thank you! These are really wonderful.

**SusanR**: http://www.tzivos-hashem.org/storytime/storyteller/st1508.htm

SusanR: a recipe for Latkes

SusanR: Aura's Kitchen Recipes: Baked Latkes

**LynneW**: Thanks again. Happy holidays.

SusanR: Thanks

**BJB2** waves goodnight

CamilleL: goodnight and thanks again, Sue.

**SusanR**: any questions?

CamilleL: no, I just downloaded everything I'll check it later.

XinDu: Thank you! Sue and Camille and BJB

**SusanR**: Thanks for participating

CamilleL: you're very welcome!

CamilleL: nitey nite.