



Ideas for Internet Use at Home... (Updated 01/08/2015)

We are using some absolutely wonderful reading and math websites here in the computer lab. I encourage you, if you allow your child Internet access at home, to mark these sites as 'favorites' and enjoy them with your children.

www.starfall.com and www.morestarfall.com

Where Children have fun learning to read! The Starfall Method promises to improve reading acquisition by using the Internet to help make it fun for the children. It is a free on-line service to help children learn to read, put together by a talented team of artists, teachers, and computer animators. **To use morestarfall – you must authorize your computer by entering our user name (starfall@fhud.org) and password (starfall).**

www.tumblebooks.com/library

Tumblebooks is an online collection of animated, talking picture books, reading comprehension quizzes, and educational games. Our school district subscribes to this website so that our students are allowed access at home as well as here in the computer lab. **To access this site, insert our user name (fhud) and password (books).**

<http://powermylearning.org/>

PowerMyLearning is a free web-based platform designed for K-12 students, parents, and educators. The platform makes thousands of the best online learning activities easily accessible and usable in one trusted place.

www.code.org/learn

Learn the basic concepts of Computer Science with drag and drop programming. This is a game-like, self-directed tutorial starring video lectures by Bill Gates, Mark Zuckerberg, Angry Birds and Plants vs. Zombies. Learn repeat-loops, conditionals, and basic algorithms.

www.arcademics.com

These educational games provide fun and focused repetition practice that enables automaticity and fluency to be achieved more quickly. With what we now know about automaticity and fluency in academic performance, we can help students achieve masterful levels performance faster than ever before!

www.spellingcity.com

Spellingcity.com is a free spelling tool that can help you make teaching spelling more exciting. With online spelling games, spelling reviews, and spelling quizzes, your children can memorize those weekly spelling words while having fun.

www.nga.gov/kids/zone/zone.htm

The Art Zone - an online interactive art site for kids sponsored by the National Gallery of Art in Washington, DC.

www.freetypinggame.net/

FreeTypingGame.Net is the premiere site to play **free typing games, lessons and tests. Learning to touch type** has never been easier or more fun. Best of all, it is 100% FREE. No downloads, installations or registration required.

www.kids.gov/

This site provides links to Federal kids' sites along with some of the best kids' sites from other organizations all grouped by subject.

<http://pbskids.org>

Wonderful educational site where children will immediately recognize some of their favorite TV and story characters

www.usmint.gov/kids

The United States Mint H.I.P. Pocket Change™ Web site showcases the connection between this country's coins and its people. Through games, stories, and other engaging activities, the site brings to life both the extraordinary individuals who appear on U.S. coinage and the generations of citizens who have carried this change.

www.primarygames.com

Games on this site are teacher-created and kid friendly. There is a guide to help you find games for specific grade-level skills in math, language, social studies, and science.

www.kidsknowit.com

From its humble beginnings as an elementary **teacher's classroom website**, on through the present, the KidsKnowIt Network has always had one goal, and that is to **make learning free**. **Every website developed is pain stakingly researched** for accuracy, and appropriateness.

www.abcya.com

All children's **educational computer activities** were created or approved by certified school teachers. All educational games are **free** and are modeled from **primary grade lessons** and enhanced to provide an **interactive** way for children to learn. Grade level lessons incorporate *areas* such as *math* and *language arts* while **introducing basic keyboarding and computer skills**. Many of the **kindergarten** and **first grade** activities are equipped with sound to enhance understanding.

<http://www.kidrex.org/>

KidRex is a fun and safe search for kids, by kids! KidRex searches emphasize kid-related webpages from across the entire web and are powered by Google Custom Search™ and use Google SafeSearch™ technology.

Google's SafeSearch™ screens for sites that contain explicit sexual content and deletes them from your child's search results. Google's filter uses advanced technology to check keywords, phrases, and URLs. No filter is 100 percent accurate, but SafeSearch™ should eliminate most inappropriate material.

In addition to Google SafeSearch™, KidRex maintains its own database of inappropriate websites and keywords. KidRex researchers test KidRex daily to ensure that you and your child have the best web experience possible.

<http://www.mathfactcafe.com/games/>

Where numbers count! Challenging math games for grades 2 – 5; includes math fact worksheets for addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.

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