Google Notebook

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What are the uses of Google Notebook? What does it do?">What are the uses of Google Notebook? What does it do?

To get started you need a Google account. This is very simple and shouldn't take more than five minutes. You then must download the Google Notebook application. Then later when you find text on the internet that you would like to save, highlight it, right click and select **notebook this** in the drop down menu. Also, if you search on Google and you think a result seems interesting but don't have the time nor inclination to look at it then, there is a button below the search result that says **note this**, click that button and it will be saved into your Google notebooks.

Once it is saved into your notebooks you can easily view it anytime by simply logging into your Google account and selecting the notebooks tab. There you will find all your notebooks and postings thus making it much easier to save web pages, information for projects and the like. Google notebooks acts literally as an internet scratch pad.

   How to Use Major Functions

Who uses Google Notebook?">Who uses Google Notebook?

Google Notebook can be used in many different ways. Teachers can use the organizing and clipping functions to help their in classroom duties, using the organizing tool can help keep class subjects and lesson plans organized and packed with information. Those in business and industry can use Google Notebook for keeping their staff or partners informed about any type of research or projects by sharing notebooks. Sharing notebooks helps by allowing everyone you choose to see a notebook, edit it and send it back.

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I. History">I. History

I.1 Development">I.1 Development

The title of this application is Google Notebook, it is a free program developed by Google. Google Notebook was released on March 15th, 2006. At that time Eric E. Schmidt was the CEO of Google, Sergey Brin was the Technology President and Larry Page was the Products President. *As of 2010 Google Notebook is no longer open to new users. Those who already have a Google notebook account can still access their*

information and use the tools but they are being encouraged to switch to other Google programs such as Google Docs. The first link goes to the Google Docs login page to get started. It is free of charge and a great alternative to Google Notebook. The second link goes to the Firefox extension of Google Notebook, which still works. And the final link leads to a website that provides 8 links to great alternatives to Google Notebook. An alternative also to consider is Google Notebook for Android phones through an app for Google Applications. This allows you to view what you have saved in Google Notebook but does not allow you to add anything.

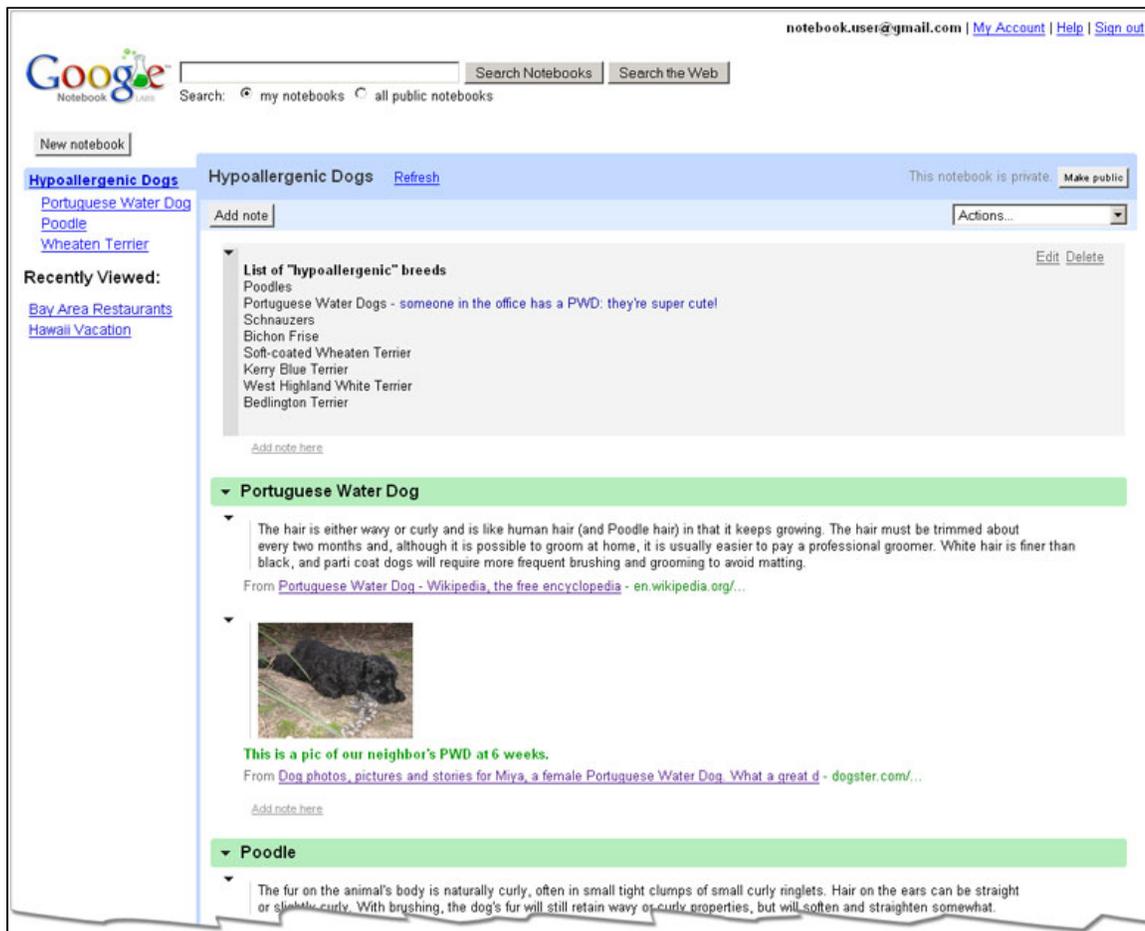Google Docs

Firefox Extension

8 Alternatives to Google Notebook

Google Notebook allows users to "note" different web pages on the Internet. If you come across something on the web that you find interesting, want to investigate later, think would be useful for a project, etc. you can notebook it. It helps you put everything into an online "notebook" consisting of text clippings, entire pages, pictures, and anything else you might want to include. If you would like others to view your notebook you can make it public, and in this way you can also view others notebooks. Thus if you and a friend are both doing a project that requires extensive research online, you can view one another's notebook giving you the ability to see what research they've done and determine what pages you think are valuable for the project.

I.2 How Google Notebook Works">I.2 How Google Notebook Works

The basic function of Google Notebook is being able to clip anything from the web into your notebook, so you can easily access it. Once the extension has been downloaded, all that is left to do is highlight the text you want, right click, and select the option **Note This** (Google Notebook)." Once this is done your notebook will pop up in your bottom right hand screen showing the text that was entered. Then the user has the option to name the notebook, create a new notebook, and add different sections or comments into the notebook. The youtube video below gives a step by step tutorial for Google Notebook.

Organizing with Google Notebook:

It is very easy to organize material with Google Notebook. For example, if a student is taking notes for several different classes, he or she can set up a notebook for each class and keep all of the subjects organized. It is possible to organize each notebook further by adding section headings

for each note; each section can be named according to its content or by the date that the notes or information is recorded. This makes it useful for college students especially because when taking notes in class, it is possible to date each section according to when the notes were taken.

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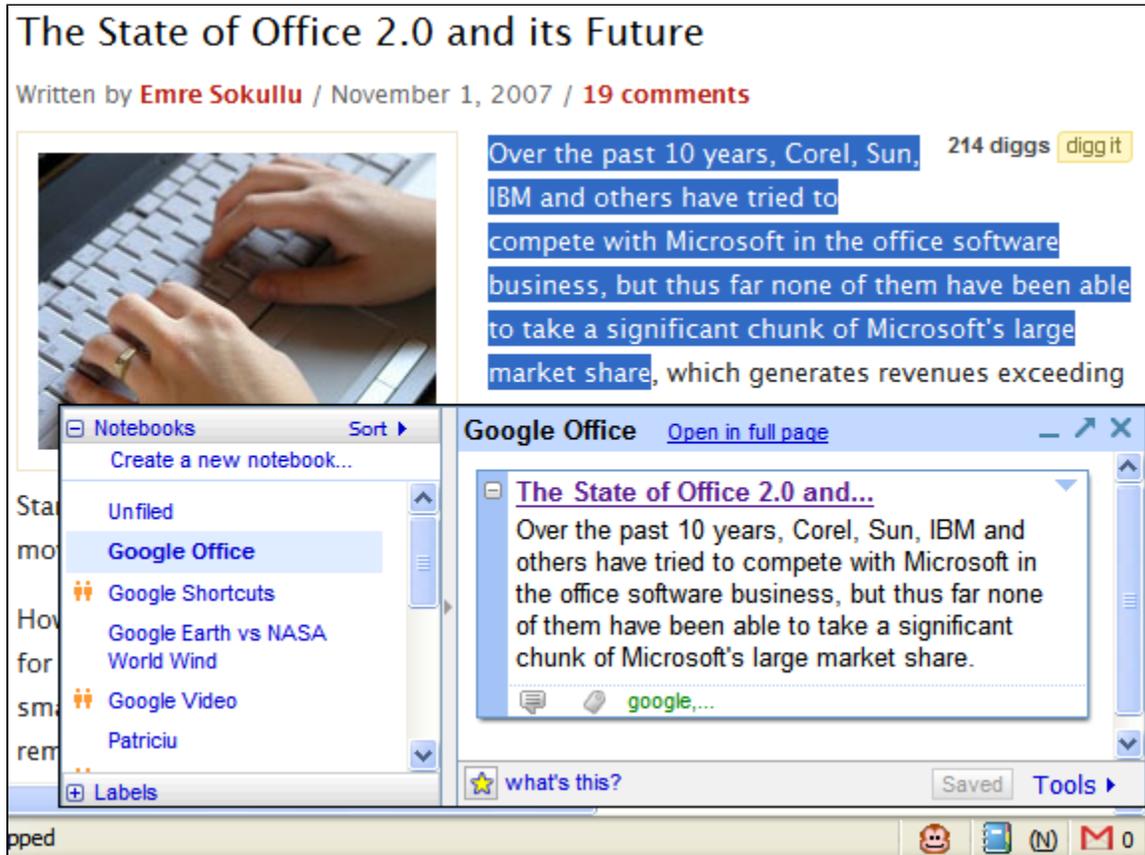
Google Notebook makes it simple to clip important information that is found when surfing the internet. After the Google toolbar is installed, all that is necessary to do is highlight the particular information that is desired, right click, and choose 'Note This' and Google Notebook will save it in a notebook. In addition, it is always possible to go back into the Google Notebook account and organize the saved information via any computer with internet access. Saving and organizing important information has never been easier.

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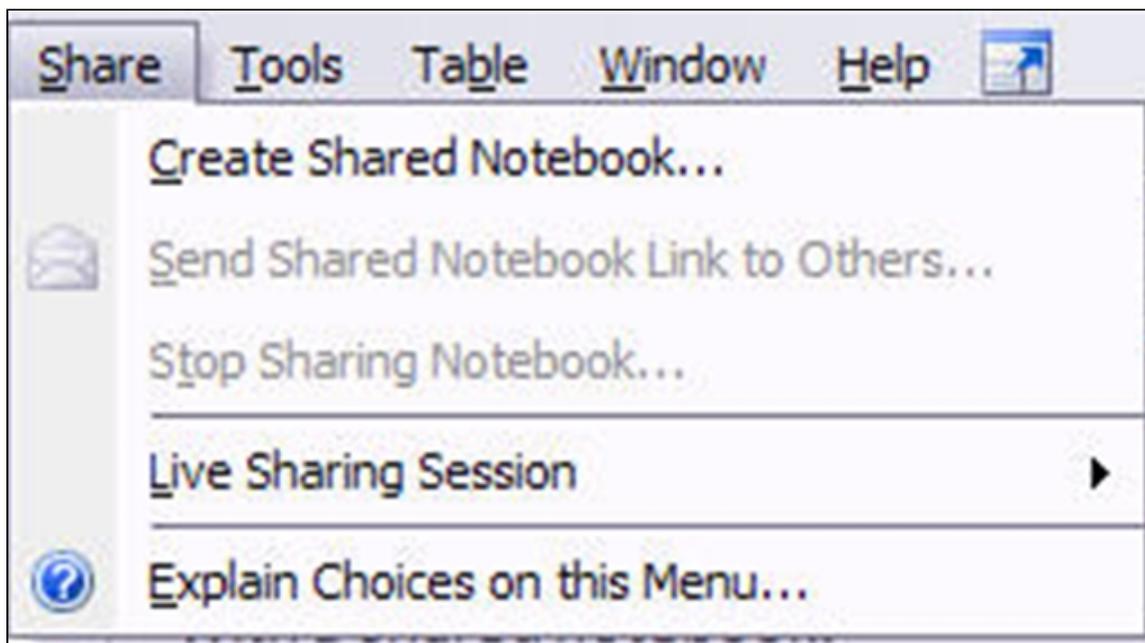
Once a notebook has been created, it can be made private, shared with people from a list of email addresses or made public simply by clicking **S hare** at the bottom left of the screen, or by clicking **sharing opitions** at the top right of the screen when the notebook that is to be shared is open. Once **Share** has been selected, the program shows a screen that gives the option to add email addresses or to make a notebook public. Sharing notebooks is very simple and quick, and allows any job to be done quickly and efficiently.
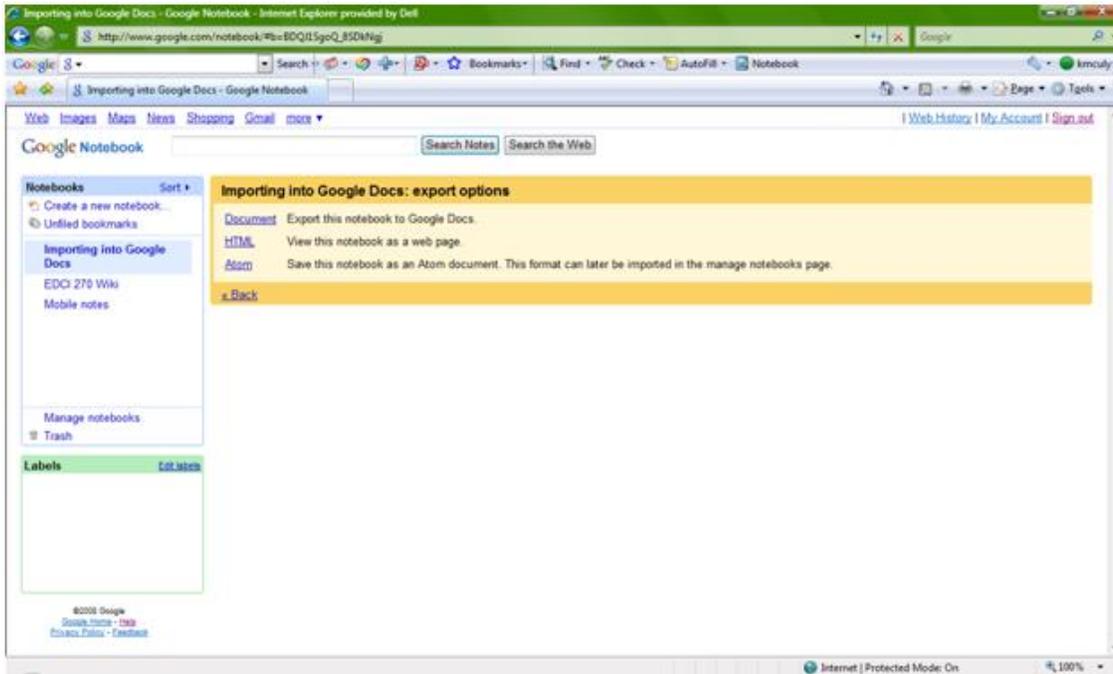
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II. How Google Notebook Relates to Other Applications">II. How Google Notebook Relates to Other Applications

Google Notebook can be used in conjunction with all other Google products such as Google Docs and Google Bookmarks. By being able to use all three of these programs together users can easily keep all of their files organized in an easily reachable place. For example, if you have to write a research paper, you can gather information from the internet, save that information to Google Notebook and even add your own notes about that information underneath your research. Once you have some information you start writing your paper in Google Docs which allows you to export information straight from your Google Notebook to Google Docs by just clicking the Export button. This allows you to take all of your information and notes and put them into a document where you can easily edit them. Being able to use Google Notebook and Google Docs hand in hand makes researching a smoother, faster process, as well as making it possible to access your information from anywhere that has an internet connection. [1]

1. This is an example of one of my Google Notebooks that I am going to export into Google Docs. To do this you just click the Export button, which is at the bottom of the page.
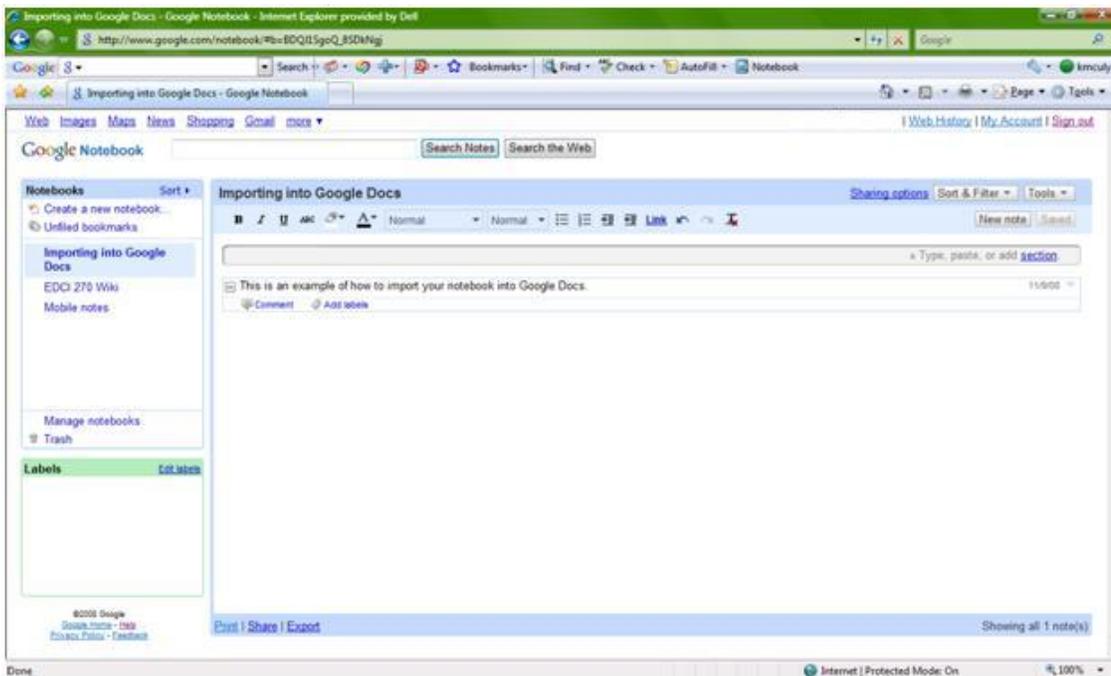
2. When you click on Export this is the screen that pops up, so then all you have to do is click Document.

3. By clicking Export, it will populate this screen and you are ready to start typing your paper into Google Docs.
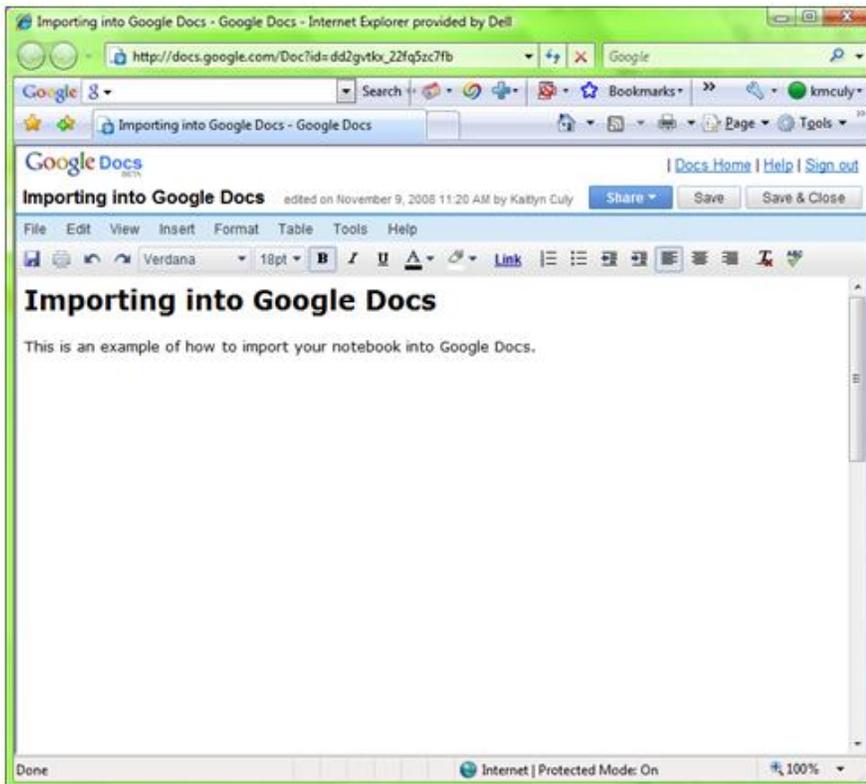
II.1 Comparison to Competitors">II.1 Comparison to Competitors

Google Notebook has many competitors, such as OneNote and Zoho Notebook. Below is a table that compares the three Notebook softwares against each other on a variety of different aspects as well as a link to the Zoho Notebook startup page.

	Google Notebook	One Note	Zoho Notebook

Price	Free	$139.99 (As a branch of Microsoft Office) $79.99(Now available for purchase on its own)	Free
Media	Pictures & Links	Pictures, Links, Videos, & Sound Bits	Pictures, Links, Videos, & Sound Bits
Accessibility	Any computer with internet access	Any computer with the same software	Any computer with internet access
Other Features	Automatic Save	Calendar	Calendar

II.2 Unique Ways to Use Google Notebook">II.2 Unique Ways to Use Google Notebook

There are several different ways to use Google Notebook other than simply saving information into a notebook. You can publish your notes on to a website allowing your notes and research to be seen by others. This is very useful for a teacher or students doing a group project, it gives them the ability to put up all their notes and give others the ability to access it. You can also add email addresses from your G-mail account to your notebook, allowing those contacts you have added to view and edit your notebook. This is a helpful feature for those who need to collaborate on a project. They can edit each other's work, only needing internet access to do so, making collaborative work much easier for any group. If you have a smart phone another way you can use Google Notebook is to create a shopping list in a notebook, using your phone to access it from the store. Google Notebook also has built in search, so when you have done a large amount of research you can type in keywords and pull up the information you wish to view. [1]

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III. Real World Application ">III. Real World Application

III.1 Educational Lesson Plans">III.1 Educational Lesson Plans

i. Elementary Lesson Plan">i. Elementary Lesson Plan

Watercolor Butterflies (S.T.E.M. based)

Overview: Students will see how beautiful butterflies can really be by painting a butterfly in which they've researched and studied during the "Butterfly Life Cycle Unit".

Objective: Students can understand how different butterflies come in different shapes and colors. After researching different types of butterflies, students will choose a butterfly that they found particularly interesting and then will paint a watercolor picture of it.

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Roll For a Better and Longer Life

Objective: How to choose a healthy array of fruits and veggies every day? Pick several bright colors! Fix them in tasty new ways, too.

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Fifty States

Overview: Students will research one of the fifty states and will do a presentation over their choice.

Objective: Provided a computer and books for researching, students will be able to complete an informative presentation on one of the fifty states, including a craft project.

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ii. Secondary Lesson Plan

Bullfighting in Spain

Overview: Students will learn more about bullfighting and it's issues by researching it and keeping their notes organized by using Google Notebook. They will then write a paper about how they feel about the sport

Objectives:

- Students will learn about how important bullfighting is in Spanish culture
- Students will learn to organize their research using Google Notebook

The Fellowship of the Ring

Overview: Students will be able to work in groups with Google Notebook to compare the book and the movie of The Fellowship of the Ring.

Objectives:

- Students will learn how to organize their information in Google Notebook
- Students will learn the differences between the book and the movie of The Fellowship of the Ring.

Research Paper

Overview: Students will learn to research their topic, construct a Google Notebook to organize their findings, and write a research paper.

Objectives:

• The students will gain knowledge of how to research and write a paper.

• They will use Google Notebook as the main way of gathering research.

• Students will be able to write a paper in APA format with five or fewer minor mistakes.

• They will take their research and put it into Google Notebook, creating informational headings and folders to keep it organized.

• Finally, students will present their research and show how they have used Google Notebook to keep their research organized.

iii. Post Secondary Lesson Plan\\">iii. Post Secondary Lesson Plan

College Speech Project

Overview: Students will learn to research and compile a group presentation over a current issue of their choice.

Objective: Students will utilize Google notebook and create a shared notebook where they can all collect research including sources and notes. They will also use either Google notebook or another application to create an outline for their presentation. And lastly they will present their information as a group to the class. Groups will consist of 4-6 students.

Elementary Education Biology: Current Issues Presentation

Overview: Students will research a current scientific issue in the biology world and present it to their classmates with a group.

Objective: Provided with access to scientific journals and informative websites, students should be able to produce and informational and effective group presentation based on research prepared and organized outside of class about a current issue in the scientific community.

III.2 Business/Industry">III.2 Business/Industry

Google Notebooks can be a free and useful tool for any company. For instance, if any company deals with research, the ones who are doing the research can place their information in the notebooks and share with their departments or supervisors easily. If needed they can publish their work and distribute their research via the web. The employees can also use Google Notebooks as a tool, using it to access work information on their home computer, allowing them to take their work home if needed. Google Notebook is also beneficial for traveling. If a company sends someone to London for a presentation, then he can access his notes through Google Notebook the same way he could if he were home. Google Notebook's ease of use and mobility make it a great asset for companies to use.

III.3 International Use">III.3 International Use

Google Notebook can be a useful tool for international use. Google Notebook's accessibility allows people from all over the world to see other peoples ideas in a matter of seconds. For example, if someone goes on vacation they can access everything they have saved in Google Notebook from any computer that has internet access. Google Notebook has the ease of access for people all over the world to view information that they couldn't normally see unless they were on their home computer.

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IV. Demonstration of Educational Value">IV. Demonstration of Educational Value

Google Notebook is a tool that is very helpful for teachers and students alike. Teachers are already using this program to create, organize and save lesson plans. One teacher explains in an online blog that Google Notebook makes it simple for him to organize class discussions and he is also impressed that he is able to save a link on one computer and view it later from another computer. After reading this teacher's blog, other teachers from different areas commented on how they also use Google Notebook. One teacher said that almost every teacher from her school now uses the program to organize lesson plans.

In another blog, a High School teacher explains an alternate use for Google Notebook. She also uses the program to create lesson plans, but in addition she uses it in her own classes in which she is a student. She claims that Google Notebook makes it convenient and easy to keep all of her research in one place. She also says she plans to have her students use Google Notebook to document research they do in class. [2,3]

">IV.1 Applications By Learner Type

Elementary:

Google Notebook can be very useful in an elementary school setting. Assisting the teacher in organizing lesson plans that may involve multiple web components, and helping them to organize material based on semester, week, or subject. Google Notebook also allows a teacher to select only the parts of a websites that he or she would like to use for their students, giving them quick access to the information they want without having to filter through the other information on the site. They can also save favorite websites or instructions in one place and reach them from any computer later on. The teacher can even share her notebook with the students using a computer lab, or even their home computers.

Secondary:

In secondary education, Google Notebooks can help the teachers and the students. For example, the teachers can use the notebooks to create their lesson plans, saving sites and information easily on Google Notebooks. They can collect information and publish it on a website making it viewable for all of their students. Google Notebooks is a trouble-free way of having the opportunity to access your information quickly, students can get into their notebooks on any computer without the need for a flash drive. Also, for students who like to take notes on a computer, Google Notebooks is perfect, the section headings and labels make notes easy to read and navigate through. The notebooks also work well for group projects, giving students the ability to share the notebooks with each other via the internet and Google Notebooks.

Post Secondary (College):

Google Notebooks is a way for college students to be able to organize their assignments quickly and efficiently. Allowing you to take notes on Google Notebooks and be able to go back through and organize them before a test or quiz. you can label them and quickly access them if needed on any computer with an internet connection. If you have a research project due, you can search the web and any relevant information you find you can highlight the and add to your notebook. In addition, if you are working in a group you can either publish or share your notebooks making them visible to all of your group members.

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