

Pixton Research Page

Pixton

**This page provides a general outline to assist in the organization of research topics related to your assigned Web 2.0 Application.*

Web 2.0 Formatting Examples:

- 1) Plurk
 - 2) Facebook Chat
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Who uses Pixton?

Jaclyn- I think we should move some information around in this section. I know in the history we have some information but i think it would be more useful if we moved the information under here because I think it would be more applicable, but I don't want to change things without asking you guys about it first so this is what I think...

Pixton is a global social community and a fun, innovative educational tool. Since it is such a simple tool, it's easy for everyone to use! Pixton is a great educational tool for students as well as businessmen and women. Pixton can be used in the classrooms to get students motivated to learn and encourage them to use their creative side to make their own comic. Pixton inspires students to learn by giving them a new way to express ideas, tell stories, and collaborate creatively in a private online environment. In addition, Pixton can be used in the work environment. People can use Pixton to create professionally rendered comics in a private online workspace. Also, for those who just enjoy a good laugh and are looking to have some fun, you can create your own comic at your leisure.

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Chemistry.DOC (STEM)

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Physics.PDF (STEM)

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Seasons.PDF(STEM)

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chemistry high school lesson plan.docx

Four Seasons Elementary Lesson Plan.docx

Elementary Lesson Plan - Animals

physics college lesson plan.docx

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I. History

In the year of 2007, Clive Goodinson (the founder of Pixton) and Daina Goodinson (co-founder and designer) imagined a place where people could meet, cooperate and share ideas and stories. Combined with his love for comic series (such comics like Tintin) and his knowledge within

computer programming, Clive struck upon the idea of a new kind of comic, where anyone could be author. What started as a simple interactive stick figure has quickly evolved to become unique, proprietary technology for fully articulating 2.5-dimensional characters. Pixton is now the #1 website for making comics online, with unrivalled expressive possibilities and an ever-expanding library of props and character attributes.

Pixton has also recently won the prestigious "Interactive Media Award 2009" presented by Applied Arts Magazine.

(Back Ground Info)

(Lydia) Daina Goodinson, aka Deelite, is responsible for all creative aspects of brand identity, development, marketing and sales. She earned a degree from UBC Okanagan, and counts world travel and photography among her passions.

(Lydia) Clive, aka The Jokester, is the true mastermind behind Pixton. An expert in the full spectrum of interactive technologies, Clive earned a Master of Science degree from the University of British Columbia in Vancouver. He immigrated to Canada from England when he was just a wee lad.

(Lydia) Pixton allows businesses and schools to buy a license to help inspire and motivate students to learn by giving them a whole new way to express ideas, tell stories, and collaborate creatively in a private online environment. The License includes a wide variety of things to help make the experience enjoyable while also being very well organized.

(Kenneth) Clive Goodinson is the creator of Pixton.com, an award-winning global online community where people of all ages create, publish, share, and remix comics without having to draw. Pixton's proprietary comic creator, click-and-drag simplicity, articulable characters, and automatic translation redefine the comic as a mass-collaborative Web 2.0 medium. He earned a Master of Science degree from the University of British Columbia in Vancouver, Canada, and is an avid musician. <http://www.oreillynet.com/pub/au/3564>

Jaclyn- With a Pixton Education License you can:

- Use the fully-loaded Comic Creator
 - Access from home or school
 - Import your class list for easy set-up
 - Create lessons with problem & solution
 - Create unlimited comics in all formats
 - Mark comics & send back for revision
 - Browse and share in Project Bank
 - Group messaging to students
 - Get full resolution printable PDFs
 - Get full resolution JPGs and PNGs
- Pixton Education licenses are as low as 12 cents per user per month! It's a great deal!
<http://pixton.com/schools/overview>

Jaclyn- Pixton for Business allows you to create professionally rendered comics in a private online workspace. It is convenient and affordable and provides a pay-as-you-go solution for businesses large or small.

With a Pixton Business License you can:

- Use the fully-loaded Comic Creator
 - Embeddable or fully private comics
 - Download preview files for proofing
 - ZIP package with JPG, PNG & PDFs
 - Customize comic length & panel width
 - Access exclusive props & characters
 - Standard commercial licence or upgrade
 - Variety of widgets to embed on the web
- Pixton Business licenses are only \$2.95 per comic and this online software has won many awards so it is very credible and reliable!

<http://pixton.com/business/overview>

(Appraises) (Lydia)

Pixton is very user-friendly, designed in a safe way for kids. It's a nice, easy, fun way to reinforce all of the language arts skills, and a different way that might engage children who are not strong readers.\

(Lydia)

(Kenneth)

absolutely free and lets you participate in contests, For people who can't draw, is very neat, no need of any technical skills, can vote, comment and share each strip, power to design your character the way you want, rotate all of the body parts or even turn it 360 degrees

<http://www.appsheriff.com/inspiration/pixton-create-comic-strips-online/>

Jaclyn- Pixton for schools inspire and motivate your students to learn by giving them a whole new way to express ideas, tell stories, and collaborate creatively in a private online environment.

Jaclyn-<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QyujDoM-71w> Here is a youtube video that talks about using Pixton comics as a learning tool!

About Us

In August 2009, Pixton Comics was recognized as “**One of the 20 companies that are driving innovation and changing the way we use the Internet**” by Backbone Magazine.

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III. Real World Application

(Lydia) - Youtube video about using Pixton Comics as a learning tool

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QyujDoM-71w>

(Lydia) How it works, interview with creator. Four part series

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1GgjiST5rkM&feature=Playlist&p=F1F7AC5F3541EF87&index=0&playnext=1>

What is Pixton? Pixton is a multimedia tool based on how you make comics online, for free. The one thing that is really good about this site is that it is really simple and free. Most of the work with this program can be used with drag-and-paste technique. You can choose if you want to work from scratch or use finished templates. You can also choose if you want to publish your work on the internet, t-shirts, posters or if you just want to save it and use it for your own. Today Pixton is translated to over 40 languages. When it's translated to that many languages it can be used for all kinds of education. Specially for students who study a 3rd or 4th language. When the student creates a comic, he or she will be the writer, creator and the producer of the comic. That will increase vocabulary of the student, specially if he or she use Pixton to his 3rd language. Pixton is also good to work with if you want the students to increase their comprehension of expressing different kinds of feelings and temper. To work with this method you will get the students away from the desks for a while. That will increase their will to work harder and be more interested.

Lesson plan 1:

Tools needed: Computers, Internet connection, mathbook and at least four peoples.

At the start of the lesson everyone will team up in pairs of two. After that everyone gets to choose a computer and log on to www.pixton.com. As the teacher you will guide them through the site and tell them how they can use it also say that if they are advanced computer user they can choose to create the comic from scratch otherwise they get some special help.

The point with this task is to improve the pupils skills in math, science, engineering and technology and also they are suppose to have fun while they are doing so.

We are gonna pick a few sums from the mathbook and put them into this comic in a creative way so that they pupils might find it entertaining and fun to learn.

The engineering task can be creating a bridge and creating characters in the comics that will explain how the structure works. Draw a picture of Newton leaning against an apple tree and show a ripe apple falling from it, then Newton (the character in the comic) should say something about gravitational pull that covers the science part. Then all that is left is technology and here you could draw a picture of a working gearwheel and then as the pupils are done with the assignments mentioned above they have to link them together in a serious comic. If you as a teacher find it to be worth doing you can also check the pupils spelling.

Jaclyn- [How to Use Pixton](#)

Within Pixton's homepage, <http://pixton.com/basic>, you can create your own comic. Under the create tab you will be able to choose from 6 different types of comics: The Classic, The Sunday Funny, Super Long, Quickie, Poster, and Pixture. After you select which type of comic you would like to create, you have to create your own account and then you can get started on the fun!

<http://pixton.com/create>

IV. Demonstration of Educational Value

Pixton is a website based on allowing ordinary people, with zero drawing skills, to create comics by "drag and release". This "drag and release" technique allows the user to select objects and characters which have a default setting but which can be altered. The user can switch colors and sizes, distance and so on. Students are suppose to meet provocative was of learning and this website allows teachers to charm their students with the bliss of creativity. The tools are easy to learn, all you need is an imagination that can provide original ideas! There is a value in enabling an outlet for creative minds, when they might lack ways of letting this energy out. With other words the students might be bad at drawing and that is where Pixton comes in to remove the barriers between them, their fantasies, creativity and reality. Other than that it is a brand new way of teaching thus students aswell as teachers can find a challenge in the usage of the tools which Pixton provides.

V. Internationally

Pixton.com attracts people of all ages and thanks to Internet can almost anyone in the world use it. People share their stories, tell jokes and express their opinions through comics and other people can take part of and learn from them. With more than 40 different languages at Pixton it also makes it easier for people to use it.

It can also be used in school contexts for example where students in a fun way can learn a different language or make a comic to their accounting to make it more interesting for the other students.

VI. References

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