

English/ Language Arts web sites

In the newest mini-site on ArtsEdge, <http://artsedge.kennedy-center.org>, you will discover how the famous Romeo and Juliet tale of two young lovers has captured the hearts of audiences worldwide. This mini-site features resources on Shakespeare's life, Elizabethan England, and characteristics of the play itself. Enhance students' understanding of Romeo and Juliet by reading about artists influenced by the play and by using ArtsEdge's lessons and online resources.

The Romeo and Juliet mini-site is accessible at <http://artsedge.kennedy-center.org/exploring/randj/artsedge.html>.

Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet," accessible at

<http://edsitement.neh.gov/lessonplans/shakespeare.html>. This 9-12 lesson plan complements study of plot and characterization in Romeo and Juliet by focusing on Shakespeare's use of lyric forms and conventions to spotlight moments in the drama and thereby heighten the impact of the action on the stage.

Both ArtsEdge and EDSITEMent have reviewed the following site, "Mr. William Shakespeare and the Internet," available at

<http://daphne.palomar.edu/shakespeare/default.htm>. This site features a guide to scholarly Shakespeare resources on the Internet, and it presents new Shakespeare material unavailable elsewhere on the Internet.

the Academy of American Poets for inclusion in EDSITEMent's reviewed Websites section. This site, located at <http://www.poets.org/index.cfm>, includes a database searchable by keyword. The EDSITEMent-reviewed American Verse Project, <http://www.hti.umich.edu/a/amverse/>, also houses a database that is searchable by keyword and by Boolean searches.

THIS SEEMS TO BE A SITE THAT THAT HAS SOME GREAT INFORMATION.

<http://www.mostlyfiction.com/latin/esquivel.htm>

You might find the Steven's Institute website helpful.

<http://k12science.stevens-tech.edu/cyberteacher>

(<http://edsitement.neh.gov>)

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humanities partner, under English/Language Arts on the following websites: Academy of American Poets (Poets.org), American Verse Project, Romantic Circles, Victorian Web, Victorian Women Writers Project, and the William Blake Archive for poetry in general, and the Lesson Plan, "World of Haiku."

Let me know if any of these prove helpful!

Susan Jenson

Found this page

<http://www.teleport.com/~krcp/cleary.html>

on my fav children's lit place

<http://www.acs.ucalgary.ca/~dkbrown/>

So far, our virtual Charles Dickens has been answering hundreds of questions from pupils up and down the country, including:

"Where did you get the inspiration for Christmas Carol from?"

"Why is Scrooge called Scrooge?"

"What is your favourite novel?"

"Do you think Simon Callow is the right person to play Scrooge?"

The address is charlesdickens@filmeducation.org and the answers can be viewed on www.filmeducation.org. The official website for the film is www.christmascarolthemovie.com.

<http://www.rhlschool.com/research.htm> seems to have a lot of dictionary activities. I don't know if they're suitable for third graders, but you could check them out.

http://www.geocities.com/Heartland/Valley/1008/dictionary_skills/abc.htm has quite a few activities for using ABC order

<http://teacher.scholastic.com> - comic strip & writing prompts

Word Weaver – designed to kick start young writer's creativity and hones their writing skills.

<http://www.hpdigitalbookclub.com/23/wordweaver/index.html>

Study web – this web site offers a variety of subjects and categories for all students to narrow in on a topic for a report, find background material for a story, begin research for a paper or just increase their knowledge of a particular topic.

<http://www.studyweb.com>

Study web: Language Arts Essays, Reports, Research papers

A guide to writing essays – check out this site to find examples on what makes a good essay and a bad essay. Learn the structure of an essay and what each paragraph should include.

Grade level 9-12

<http://ouc.edu>

- go to Faculty page
- click on Keith Francis
- select history 101
- select good essay writing

www.m-w.com/dictionary.htm Meriam Webster dictionary on line

www.m-w.com/thesaurus.htm

One idea is to take advantage of the "postcard" feature available on a number

of sites, because the image is a prompt. Students can be asked to describe the image, or pretend they are writing from the place where the photo was taken. On www.nationalgeographic.com there are a number of photographs. The postcards on www.nationalgeographic.com/ngm compliment material in the magazine. On www.nationalgeographic.com/xpeditions, postcards are available as a "pop-up" to reward students who have completed all of the activities in a "room" in Xpedition Hall. Students can write to the teacher about what they discovered during their virtual visit.

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