Bringing the World to Your Students:

Blogging

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Summary

This session teaches the techno-novice about blogging, and gives experienced bloggers novel ways to use free Internet distance learning tools to enhance student learning experiences. Technonovices will leave the session able to set up and use their own blog. Experienced bloggers will have the opportunity to discuss innovative, exciting blogging ideas with experienced bloggers. We hope you'll join us.

Jacob's Teacher at Sea blog http://www.jacobtanenbaum.com/noaa08/index.html

Kottie's New Zealand blog http://www.socsdteachers.org/kchristieblick/newzealand

A Blog is a Web Log, an On-line Journal

 A web site template that's easy to use.





- Inside a Rainfores
- Camouflage Game

• It's ongoing, for short or long periods of time.

- It's interactive: users' comments are seen by all.
- It's free!

Sharing Experiences and Adventures with Students



Advantages of a Blog

 Teachers and students are creating information

for the World Wide Web, not just consuming information.

- Motivating for children.
- **Gives students** unique, global experiences.

- Students can collaborate with adults.
- Participants do not have to be on the computer at the same time.
 - Fulfills goals of 21st century learning.
 - Technonovices are able to be successful.

Bringing Your Blog to Life

Words Colors

Graphics

Photos

- Videos
- Podcasts
- Web site links
- Google **Earth link**
- Sounds

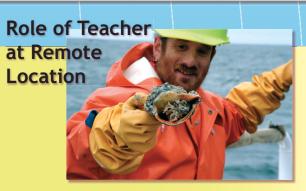
Role of Students



Complete class work related to the project.

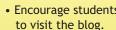
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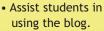
- Write occasional comments and questions to the participating teacher.
- Have fun with it and imagine what it would be

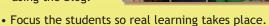


- Prepare static portions of the Web site before embarking.
- Communicate goals of blog to students and classroom teachers.
- Train teachers and students at your school to blog.
- Help students understand the purpose of the trip
- · Write blog entries each day while on the trip.

Teacher in







- · Use information on the blog as a teaching tool for other subjects.
- Send comments, questions, and feedback to the traveling teacher.

