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BJB2: we usually start all Tapped In discussions with introductions...

BJB2: please tell us where you are located and what you teach or hope to teach

RoseMD: Student teacher Pearland, TX second

JimPo: Jim, I teach ESL in Chicago

LoganMS: Franklin College, elementary education

SandraHe: Student Teacher- Houston, TX- Bilingual EC-4

MariaAy: I am in Houston, student teacher

AnetraM: Houston, Texas 1st grade

NiurkaD: Student teacher at Klein ISD (Houston, TX) I'm teaching 2nd grade Bilingual

MarinaMR: Student teacher Houston 1st grade

BussraGst5: Teacher Thailand

TracyN: Ok.

AishaO: Student teaching in Fortbend ISD, 3rd Grade GT

NicoleLE: Mahanay Elementary, Houston, Texas, Student teaching grade 3, hoping for a position in 2nd or 3rd grade

TracyN: I'm also from Houston, Tx Teaching 2nd grade

AishaO: Located in Sugar Land, TX

KarenL joined the room.

KarenL: Hello everyone!

BJB2 sighs...there she is!

KarenL: Welcome to Lang. Arts group!

JimPo: ty

BJB2: you have a delightful group, Karen

RoseMD: Thanks

NicoleLE: thank you!

KarenL: Computer issues. Don't ask. . .

NiurkaD: thanks

MariaAy: thanks

BJB2: we've done introductions

SandraHe: thanks!

NicoleL: Student Teacher, Houston, TX

KarenL: Wow, I am excited and impressed!

NicoleL: Student Teacher, Houston Tx 2nd Grade

BJB2: mostly elementary

KarenL: Cool beans!

KarenL: Okay, I'm Karen. I'm a library media specialist in the infamous Detroit. . .

KarenL: Too much drama going on. . .

KarenL: Now, I have a list of websites about poets and poetry. What is your preference?

TracyN: poetry

JimPo: poetry

MarinaMR: Poetry

NiurkaD: poetry

AishaO: poetry!

RoseMD: poetry

BrandyK: poetry

SandraHe: Poetry! :)

MariaAy: poetry

BussraGst5: poetry

AnetraM: poetry

TracyN: lol..

KarenL: Okay, let's do poetry. But I will sneak in a poet website or two. . .

LoganMS: poetry

NicoleLE: both, honestly

KarenL: Because BJ sent me an awesome one that I discovered myself. . .

KarenL: Okay, if you like funny poetry, let's check out this website, appropriately titled, GigglePoetry.

KarenL: <http://www.gigglepoetry.com>

BJB2 checks to see if everyone go the url?

KarenL: Thanks BJ.

MarinaMR: yes

AishaO: got it!

RoseMD: Yes. I love this one

SandraHe: Thanks BJ

BrandyK: got it

TracyN: ok..thank you.

NiurkaD: Wow! what a website!

LoganMS: that is a really cool site!

TracyN: awesome

AishaO: nice site!

NicoleLE: it sure does get your attention doesn't it?

SandraHe: I love the "fill in the blank" poems! Great site!

BrandyK: yes...check out the love poems and click on lovely teacher :)

MariaAy: great

RoseMD: Bruce Lansky is an awesome children's poet

GinaW: I like the poetry theater

LoganMS: I agree

NicoleL: My students will be celebrating Poem in Your Pocket day on Thursday...we'll be using this site!

JimPo: there's good instruction on haiku at this site

AishaO: I love the love poems

TracyN: I like how they have funny books also

NicoleLE: It's awesome that they give you a link with information on how to actually invite a poet to your school!

TracyN: on the side..

NiurkaD: I love the poem What I'd Cook for my teacher :)

KarenL: Okay, another website of a semi-serious nature is from Scholastic.

TracyN: this is great

MariaAy: I agree Niurka

SandraHe: Brandy, the Lovely Teacher poem is so cute

TracyN: I used that poem before Niurka

KarenL: <http://teacher.Scholastic.com/writewit/poetry/index.htm>

TracyN: the kids love it

TracyN: Poets!

RoseMD: I love how the kids can publish their poems online

LoganMS: what grade levels are these sites appropriate for?

BrandyK: this is a great site also

NicoleLE: yes Rose that's excellent, it really gives them a sense of ownership and pride

MarinaMR: You can also listen to poetry online

AishaO: is scholastic the one they can publish on?

KarenL: I would say K-8. I do have a high school poetry website, if you are interested.

TracyN: this site has a helpful teachers guide

NiurkaD: I'm with you Rose

LoganMS: I would be very interested!

KarenL: Okay, here's a high school website.

BrandyK: I like the teachers guide.

SandraHe: I agree, publishing is great

KarenL: <http://www.loc.gov/poetry/180>

NiurkaD: I like the idea that students can hear Jack Prelutsky read a poem. Excellent!

LoganMS: GREAT!

KarenL: The Library of Congress is involved in poetry, too. They have an awesome website.

Gina W: I like the poetry idea engine

NicoleLE: wow! really Niurka, kids really seem to love Prelutsky, his poems are so silly!

KarenL: My students do too,

SandraHe: I agree Niurka

BrandyK: How interesting that poetry 180 has a poem for every day of the school year!

NicoleL: definitely more mature...all you have to do is type in the poem #. Very easy.

RoseMD: I agree Nicole

NicoleLE: Brandy, where did you find that. What a great way to help incorporate shared reading EVERY day

NiurkaD: I agree Nicole

MariaAy: I agree Brandy

AishaO: that is a good idea Nicole!

JimPo: the death of Santa Clause was sad.....

BrandyK: click on the link that Karen left www.loc.gov/poetry/180

LoganMS: I agree Jim

NiurkaD: I liked poem #8 Numbers by Mary Cornish.

KarenL: are we ready for the next one?

RoseMD: yes

GinaW: yes

AishaO: ready!

MarinaMR: yes

NiurkaD: ready!!

MariaAy: yes

TracyN: yep

JimPo: si

BrandyK: yes

NicoleLE: yes ma'am

SandraHe: ready!

KarenL: Well, I'm going to stick with the Library of Congress again.

KarenL: <http://www.loc.gov/poetry>

KarenL: make sure you check out the teacher section. lots of resources . .

BrandyK: this is another awesome site!

NicoleLE: do any of my fellow student teachers have any great new ideas on how to implement poetry in the classroom?

RoseMD: the lesson plans are very detailed

MariaAy: I love this website

AishaO: this is great!

TracyN: very handy resources!

GinaW: sorry Nicole. poetry's my weak point. that's why I'm here

BrandyK: I agree Gina. I don't have the creativity gene!! :)

SandraHe: I agree Tracy, these are very handy!

MariaAy: I'm with Gina, I need some ideas too!

BussraGst12: I just write on riddle.

RoseMD: Nicole, I started with acrostics. I felt that they could write a poem about a subject they are familiar with (themselves).

KarenL: That's a good start.

BrandyK: I have also done that Rose

GinaW: I've done acrostics before

SandraHe: Yeah, I also started with acrostics

BrandyK: My students really like to write their own poetry. But time is limited...

KarenL: I've used poetry as a substitute for book summaries or characters. . .

JeffC: The New York Times Learning Network Lesson Plan Archives also has highly articulated lessons. Go to <http://www.nytimes.com/learning/teachers/lessons/archive.html> ...then type in the keyword 'poetry' and select grades 6-12... you'll get 42 results (or change to grades 6-8 or 9-12 if you like).

BussraGst12: What is acrostics?

BrandyK: Great Idea Karen. My class is currently reading Prince Caspian. I will have to try that.

NicoleLE: in first grade we used poems to teach word families-ex. -at. We would read the poem together, and then students would come up and underline words that were in the word families we were discussing. Before the reading, I would write the word family on the board and students would brainstorm other words that fit

MariaAy: Thanks , Jeff

KarenL: because I work with K-5, I've used the cinquain poem for characters, careers, weather.

JimPo : great book to be reading!

KarenL: now that is a good idea, Nicole. . .

KarenL: are we ready for another site?

JimPo : I've forgotten the format of a cinquain

JimPo : si

RoseMD: Yup

NicoleLE: thank you, they really had fun with it and were engaged throughout the lesson

AishaO: yes.

MariaAy: ready!

BrandyK: I am ready!

NicoleLE: yes!

NiurkaD: ready!

SandraHe: ready

KarenL: I'll try to remember the cinquain. In the meantime, back to K-8,

MarinaMR: ready!

KarenL: <http://42explore.com/poetry.htm>

RoseMD: Cinquain Poems: Line 1: a one-word line, a noun, that gives the poem its title

RoseMD: Line 2: two adjectives that describes what the poem is about

RoseMD: Line 3: three action -ing verbs that describe something the subject of the poem does

RoseMD: Line 4: a phrase that indicates a feeling related to the subject of the poem

RoseMD: Line 5: a one-word line, noun, that sums about the poem is about, essentially renaming it

TracyN: yay poetry for kids

BrandyK: Thank you Rose!

GinaW: the scholastic site's idea engine explained cinquain too

TracyN: I taught a cinquain poem 2 weeks ago..my kids loved it!

GinaW: I like the idea of the poetry webquests on this site

RoseMD: You're welcome! :)

BrandyK: How interesting to be an explorer!

NicoleL: poetrypals sounds cool

JimPo: thanks Rose on the cinquain late thanks, mouse is acting up!

NicoleL: link doesn't work though :(

JimPo: poetry4kids is excellent

RoseMD: You're welcome, Jim.

BrandyK: For those of us that lack the creative gene...There are websites for teachers!

lol...

GinaW: some of the links don't work

NicoleLE: thanks Rose, cinquain poems could also be used to teach nouns and verbs then!

NicoleL: online rhyming dictionary...very useful for younger kids

KarenL: uh-oh, now that's a problem.

JimPo: ?

KarenL: the problem of links that don't work. You may have to do a "google" search

AishaO: cool, online rhyming dictionary. Those always help.

KarenL: okay, let's try something else.

GinaW: ok

KarenL: www.poetryarchive.org/childrensarchive/home.do

GinaW: ooohhh Roald Dahl...one of my favorites

RoseMD: I love the Boneyard Rap!

TracyN: nice, this looks like a site I can use with the kiddos.

NicoleLE: I used to read his work when I was a kid!

SandraHe: I really like this site!

GinaW: reading his own work

BrandyK: nice site...lots of questions that children would ask...with responses for them to read

MariaAy: love it!

MarinaMR: It's great I love it!

NiurkaD: I agree with everyone. Excellent website!

NiurkaD: Little red Riding hood and the wolf (under clothes) :)

NicoleL: wow, I haven't seen this one before. I like how you can search several ways

RoseMD: Hearing the poets recite their poems is a great tool on this website

MariaAy: lots of lesson plans and activities!

NicoleL: it does make a difference when the kids can connect with the author!

SandraHe: I agree Nicole

NiurkaD: I agree Nicole

NicoleLE: we all know you can never have too many lesson plan resources!

TracyN: yep

KarenL: yes it does. I didn't include poets who blog but that could be a resource, too.

NiurkaD: TRUE!

BrandyK: That is true Nicole!

AnetraM: These are really good sites

GinaW: definitely

MariaAy: you are right!

AnetraM: I'm still trying to look at some of the first ones listed

SandraHe: I know...I am bookmarking all of these websites!

NiurkaD: Me, too Sandra

BrandyK: Glad to get a transcript at the end. so I will have them for later.

AishaO: me too, they are all in my favorites!

MariaAy: same. I am adding to my favorites!

MarinaMR: So am I! I am saving these

KarenL: okay, I have a few more. back to loc...

GinaW: ok

KarenL: http://memory.loc.gov/learn/community/cc_literature.php

GinaW: not much for the little kiddos here

NicoleLE: seriously, the transcript idea is outstanding! we can always refer back to this chat and find helpful ideas and resources we will need for later

BrandyK: Yahoo!!!

NiurkaD: I agree Gina

KarenL: mainly for high school. You could share it with the high school folks.

RoseMD: I agree, Gina. I guess I am drawn to the colorful ones! :)

KarenL: that's okay, so are the children!

NicoleL: if you look at the links about specific people, they give a timeline of their life compared to major events in history...great perspective

TracyN: this site can educate me

SandraHe: Thanks Nicole!

BrandyK: I was just looking at Mark Twain

KarenL: another website that is more teacher oriented. . .

NicoleLE: that's neat, it would help the reader/learner to possibly understand the poets viewpoint and inspiration for the poem

BrandyK: yes I think so too.

KarenL: <http://poetry.about.com>

TracyN: Pop up galore! lol

GinaW: . o O (wish I had hbo)

NicoleL: me too Gina!

JimPo: na, HBO is over-rated! lol

RoseMD: LOL

BrandyK: I agree Jim

GinaW: the range is neat...all my favorites from npr contributing

JimPo: yes

GinaW: I've done something like that with storytelling, but never poetry

KarenL: how much time do we have?

KarenL: I have a real good poets site.

JimPo: 10 min

BrandyK: take us to it please

KarenL: Okay. Here is a poet site. A very good one. . .

RoseMD: lets take a look

JimPo: we knew you'd go there eventually!

JimPo: lol

KarenL: <http://www.poets.org>

KarenL: Thanks , BJ! for this one!

NicoleLE: daily poetry!

BrandyK: I think I will have to implement a poem in you pocket day with my class.

NicoleL: lots of good stuff on the educators tab!

NicoleL: we're doing that in my class

NicoleL: each child is choosing their own poem

GinaW: good teacher resources

NiurkaD: You are right Gina

NicoleLE: that sounds really cute, can I ask what it entails Brandy?

JimPo: poem in a pocket.....

JimPo: practical!

KarenL: I have one more site.

KarenL: <http://www.poetryfoundation.org>

MariaAy: Let's have it Karen!

BrandyK: Nicole, I was reading about it on the homepage. You select a poem and carry it with you and share it with everyone. You can even write your own poem.

SandraHe: I love the "Poem in your Pocket"...I wish I would have known sooner

KarenL: <http://www.poetryfoundation.org>

TracyN: I like this site

GinaW: audio of Jack Prelutsky

SandraHe: Wow...great site! It provides lists with different poetry books!

RoseMD: Deep in our Refrigerator is a funny poem.

BJB2: We have about 3 minutes left. The next K-12 Language Arts discussion will be on May 12

NicoleLE: The animated poem is really cool!

KarenL: And we are still working on the topic. . .

BJB2: Thanks, Karen...great discussion!

KarenL: yes, thank you guys for coming!

MariaAy: Karen, thank you for all these great websites!!!

NiurkaD: The creature in the classroom by Jack Prelutsky

SandraHe: Thank you Karen!

RoseMD: Thanks for these great websites, Karen

BrandyK: Under children on programs, there are lunch box poems! How cute!

MarinaMR: Thank you for the sites, they will be so useful!

KarenL: I really hope you got some great ideas for poetry!

NicoleLE: thank you so much! This was extremely helpful, I will definitely return to take advantage of such a wonderful collaboration tool again

BrandyK: Thank you for the great sites. I will be sharing them with my fellow teachers.

RoseMD: I did!!

KarenL: remember start a poem tomorrow!

MariaAy: we sure did!

AishaO: now, I won't have to google for website, I have a few saved in my favorites.

AishaO: thank you! bye!

NiurkaD: Karen, thanks for all the wonderful websites.

GinaW: thank you Karen. I got a lot of great ideas that help me feel more comfortable about poetry in my classroom

NicoleL: thank you! Great resources and ideas for integration

BrandyK: good night!

NiurkaD: Thanks everyone!!

MariaAy: good night everyone!

KarenL: good night everyone!