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JeffC: Hi all... are you here for the Science Resources Group meeting?

PaulaT: Yes, and my first time.

JeffC: Welcome Paula.

MicheleSt: Mine too!

BenS joined the room.

PaulaT: Thank you, you'll have to let me know of any "rules" or protocol.

JeffC: Welcome Michele, and Ben and Gary too.

JeffC: I don't have many rules... just try to help!

JeffC: I'd like to start with brief introductions.

SylviaCa joined the room.

JeffC: If everyone could type in a bit about themselves, and what they'd like to get from this group.

BenS: hello I am here for this class too

JeffC: Great Ben

SandraCi joined the room.

SandraCi: Hello

PaulaT: My name is Paula and I teach first grade in Stafford, Va. This is my first Tapped In session.

BenS: I am sorry about the problems in the other class

MicheleSt: Hi all- I am student teaching right now with the University of Houston-

SandraCi: I see that Sylvia is trying to finish technology

JeffC: I facilitate this group (as I also do for the Math group), and have created a group room (which we will go to shortly).

MicheleSt: I will be certified to teach EC -4 in TX

AmberCD joined the room.

SandraCi: hopeful this time I'll get it

BenS: will it be similar to the other class

JeffC: Hi Amber... we're giving brief intros now... welcome to the Science Group.

JeffC: Yes Ben.

AmberCD: Thanks, I am glad that I found the right place!

SylviaCa: Jeff, I'm back and I am really interested in the Science. My method teacher is a wonderful lecturer and hands on and has made our classed so interested. It just makes me love Science all over again.

ArthurM joined the room.

BenS: I hope I can follow easily now that I have had one session

JeffC: For those of you who also joined me in the Math Group, you all did remarkably well... you followed very well... and asked good questions and hopefully got some of the answers you were looking for.

SandraCi: I am a pre-service teacher at the University of Houston. I am in my last year and will graduate in may of 05 with a bachelors in EC-4 bilingual education

SandraCi: Sylvia who's your science methods teacher?

SylviaCa: Sandra the sooner I finish with technology the better, right.

AmberCD: I am also a pre-service teacher at U of H and am in my last year.

SandraCi: Mine is very good as well

SandraCi: Correct Sylvia

BenS: are you in the cite lab

SandraCi: There is so much to do

JeffC: I'm glad you all came... and although some of you are here to fulfill class requirements, I hope that you will consider this group a place to come back to for resources and support long after your class has ended.

SylviaCa: My science method teacher is Dr. Wingfield, and she is an awesome person and professor!

SandraCi: Jeff thank you for all of the neat websites, I am looking forward for the science resources

AmberCD: I will be a EC-4 generalist...I have not seen much Science within my observations, so I am interested in hearing about different activities, resources and such...

BenS: yes , I will because it is interesting

JeffC: For starters, I need everyone here to join the Science Resources Group...

SandraCi: I have Dr. Ramsey he came into my class today to observe a science lesson that I did

PaulaT: How do we join the science resources group?

SylviaCa: Jeff, thank you so much for all the websites and I definitely plan to come back for the resources to use in my class

MicheleSt: ok- how do we do that Jeff?

BenS: is that in on the WB

JeffC: to do that: 1) Click the "Search" tab 2) Click the "Groups" subtab 3) type: Science Resources ... and click the "Find It!" button 4) Click the link to Science Resources K-20+ 5) Join the Group

AmberCD: I think that I am already a member..lemme check again.

BenS: is that Sylvia Carr

JeffC: You are a member already Amber, yes.

PaulaT: I see search, but no groups

MicheleSt: Ok done-

JeffC: Once you click the Search tab, you'll see a Groups subtab under it and to the left a little, Paula.

SandraCi left the room.

SylviaCa left the room.

JeffC: Once you've joined... go to the room... I'll be there momentarily. To go to the room (once a member) click the "Favorite Places" drop down menu, highlight the room, and click the Go! button.

BenS: am i in the room

JeffC: Not yet Ben

MicheleSt left the room.

PaulaT: am I in the room?

AmberCD left the room.

JeffC: You haven't joined the group yet.

BenS: what did I do wrong

JeffC: Let me give you the directions Ben:

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BenS: my name is in the box to the left

ArthurM left the room.

BenS: ok I did it again. am I in the rm

JeffC: Click Room View first Ben... do you see the "Search" tab in the top frame? You haven't joined the group yet Ben.

BenS: I see bj, PaulaT and JeffC

JeffC: Paula, you've joined the group, please go to the group room and I'll follow shortly.

PaulaT: how do I go to the group room?

JeffC: Ben... do you see the Search tab in the top frame?

BenS: yes

BJ: Paula, go to the favorite places menu in the top right of your screen

JeffC: Paula: 1) Click the "Favorite Places" drop down menu 2) Highlight Science Resources K-20+... 3) Click the Go! button.

PaulaT left the room.

BenS: so I am not in the rm

JeffC: OK... BJ will help you Ben... I'm going to the group room.

JeffC left the room.

BenS: should I click search

BJ: Ben, what's up?

BJ: did you join the group yet?

BenS: no not yet

BenS: I tried to search for it...and no matches were found

BJ: ok...click on search again

BJ: then click on GROUPS

BenS: k

BJ: now enter K-20 science

BenS left the room.

BJ left the room.

Room: Science Resources

BJ joined the room.

BenS: ok I am here. what next

JeffC: Take a look at the Science Links Ben at

<http://www.mybookmarks.com/public/mathscience>

JeffC: 1) Look at one or two sites 2) Copy and paste the URL back here 3) Comment on the site.

BenS: i click it but nothing happens . oh thanks bj

JeffC: If you have popup blocker, you have to allow them from this site.

SandraCi: The science spot website is great

ArthurM: The titration at <http://www.howe.k12.ok.us/~jimaskew/ctitrate.htm> link is broken, file not found.

JeffC: I'll give focus to one site: <http://www.whyville.net> ... Jennifer Sun, who is the CEO of Whyville, presented here last month. It is an excellent interactive site for middle school students.

SandraCi: There are some fun activities that I would enjoy doing

SandraCi: and of course the student's too

MicheleSt: <http://www.earthdaybags.org> This site has a cool activity to do for Earth day- You decorate paper grocery bags with environmental messages.

JeffC: That's the trouble with Links Arthur, sometimes they die. My guess is that howe.k12 doesn't teach there any more.

SandraCi: I remember doing some of these lessons when I was younger

JeffC: Thanks Michele.

SusanR: I did the grocery bag project with my grade two students..a great success

BenS: <http://www.biologycorner.com/http://www.sln.org/>

BenS: are those the url's you wanted

BenS: <http://www.biologycorner.com/>

SandraCi: The powers of ten website is cool, and for those of you that have Dr. Connell the video that he showed is on there

SandraCi: <http://www.powersoften.com/>

SylviaCa: <http://animal.discovery.com/convergence/futureiswild/futureiswild.html>

BenS: <http://www.powersoften.com/>

BenS: am i doing this correctly

SylviaCa: <http://www.earthdaybags.org/>

MicheleSt: <http://etc.sccoe.org/i2002/island.html> This site is has a whole unit dedicated to informing students about islands - their ecosystems-their diversity- and also to spread the importance of taking care of our planet

PaulaT: I could spend a lot of time looking around here. I found www.paperplane.org/ for a list of paper airplanes you can make.

BenS: I sent the url's but please tell me if it is correct

BenS: am I with the class

SandraCi: It starts with a man and it increases by the power of ten until it is in outerspace, it then comes back down and decreases by the power of ten into his hand it's quite Intriguing

JeffC: You're doing fine Ben.

SusanR: right on, Ben

BenS: thanks I need that

SylviaCa: Jeff, I really love the earthday site, you can get some great educational information and it even tells you how to get sponsors for your projects.

JeffC: Cool Sylvia.

AmberCD: Wow..

SusanR: I definitely endorse the paperbag project, Sylvia

AmberCD: I could be up all night looking at this stuff

BenS: it is some very cool stuff

SandraCi: I am looking at that website now and I agree with you Sylvia great stuff!

MicheleSt: Me too....

JeffC: One thing to do Amber would be for you to have your students look at these sites as well... let them pick and choose.

JeffC: Other questions/comments/etc. so far?

MicheleSt: Just that it is nice to have resources to go to that are in one place!

JeffC: thanks Michele

BenS: check this one out <http://www.earthdaybags.org/>

SusanR: What about having them evaluate the sites as to their application to what they are learning, Jeff

SandraCi: This site is great for those that cannot take many field trips

<http://www.brookfieldzoo.org/dolphingame/netscape.html>

AmberCD: www.brainpop.com/science This site has a menu full of science elements..I choose humidity because I just taught a lesson over the water cycle. I took the quiz and passed!! This site offers students a large variety of animated movies, interactive quizzes, experiments and activities..

SylviaCa: Everyone if you want good information on wild life, take a look at the animal discovery site, lots of exciting information for our students!

BenS: should I continue looking at sites

SandraCi: oh definitely

SusanR: I just taught the science of matter..must have students consolidate with brainpop

JeffC: What's the URL Sylvia?

AmberCD: The one thing I was concerned about was how in depth some of the information was, I would definitely have to first examine where I would want my second graders to go..

BenS: ok

SylviaCa: Amber, I think this is a site I will definitely use.

SylviaCa: <http://animal.discovery.com/convergence/futureiswild/futureiswild.html>

BenS: Sylvia that is a good site

MicheleSt: thanks Sylvia

SylviaCa: Thanks Ben, I hope you can use it.

SandraCi: It is a great site Sylvia I have used it with my first graders when we did a lesson with animals of the sea

SandraCi: They loved the site

JeffC: cool

BenS: well, I want to teach pe , but I will keep it in mind for my friend

SylviaCa: Michele, thanks.

JeffC: OK... next step...

JeffC: This group has over 100 members... I want people to be aware that there is a threaded Discussion board here, and if you post to it, it will go out to all those members. Sometimes, starting a threaded Discussion is the best way to get (or give) support.

MicheleSt: Oh ok-

JeffC: Please be a little circumspect when posting... bearing in mind that it goes to over 100 of your peers.

JeffC: Perhaps you want to collaborate with another teacher, or just have a question... please feel free to post to the board.

BenS: how can I tell if I am a member

JeffC: You are a member Ben... of this group.

BenS: ok

JeffC: Does everyone see the Discussion link on the left side of the top frame?

BenS: I see it

JeffC: If you click on it, you will see the few discussions that are there.

JeffC: If you take some time to compose a thoughtful message, and post it there, it will reach all 100+ members via email.

AmberCD: I went to <http://sciencespot.net> then to kids zone and then tried to click on yucky body..this looks quite interesting! students can learn and listen some of the "gross" noises that the body can sometimes make.. I was directed to the new link, but was afraid I might miss something here.. I will definitely take a look/listen to this for giggles!

MicheleSt: yes I see it as well

JeffC: <http://www.yucky.com> is also good for that Amber.

SandraCi: how cute

BenS: I click it and I see that there are 3 subjects

AmberCD: science spot /kids zone looks like another great tool that can be used ..has, again, a LARGE variety of information on different science elements, games, puzzles, etc etc..

SandraCi: I'll take a look at it as well

MicheleSt: thanks Amber

SandraCi: Yes it does Amber I was looking at that earlier

BenS: how to post on the discussion

AmberCD: sorry..go to the science spot, then science classroom, and then kids zone

BenS: do I need to post

JeffC: Do you see the link to "Discussion" on the left of the top frame Ben? You don't need to post, but if you have something you'd like to share, or ask the group at large, that's how to do it.

BenS: I see it and I click it

JeffC: You can then "Post New Topic"

AmberCD: after reviewing this a bit more in depth, I don't think I would use it...

BenS: the subjects I see is planning for science resources group 04-05 . service learning and chemistry

BenS: the last one is welcome to science resources k-+20

BenS: am I on the correct page

MicheleSt: I believe that is it Ben-

BenS: cheers !!!! and thanks MicheleSt

MicheleSt: sure!

BenS: what are we doing now just looking at it

JeffC: Ben, feel free to post to Discussion if you like, or not... there is no assignment to do so.

JeffC: I'd like to have people know that they can *add or edit* links at <http://www.mybookmarks.com>

JeffC: If you go to <http://www.mybookmarks.com> ... login: mathscience ...password: tappedin ... you will be able to add your own links to those I have.

SylviaCa: Jeff, I posted to the discussion link because I think it is great that we can all discuss and get help on how we can make science more interesting and exciting for our students.

BenS: ok. I don't see any other posting. Are student in our class posting

SandraCi: oh great I know of some great websites that are in my webpage

JeffC: Got it Sylvia, thanks.

SandraCi: there for the younger grade levels 1-5

MicheleSt: That is awesome! I did not realize that it could be shared.

BenS: this online chatting class is beginning to be fun

AmberCD: did you know that according to faculty.washington.edu/chudler/choco.html that a Swiss person eats more than 21 pounds of chocolate per year??!?!? crazy

JeffC: You can also copy it, download it, use it as you want Michele.

SylviaCa: Sandra, are there any websites for Pre-K and Kinder?

SandraCi: Yes there are

BenS: is ArthurM in the class and bj

SusanR: Sandra, I will put in a plug for the K to 3+ Resource Room..there are science resources for younger students as well

JeffC: Sylvia, if you are looking for younger kid resources, you should definitely join Susan's K-3 Resource group.

SandraCi: great.

SandraCi: Thanks Susan

SusanR: Thanks Jeff

SylviaCa: Thanks Jeff, I think I will.

BenS: I don't see any replies from them . unless they are not having problems

ArthurM: Jeff, I don't know if you are familiar with this site, but the JCE chem site, I guess the movies are not available online? I guess the site is a teaser to purchase the CDROM? Not that enticing a site without the movie clips.

JeffC: Well... I have to go and fix dinner for the kids... but people are welcome to hang out, chat, add to a Discussion, whatever. I will respond later to any questions or comments.

JeffC: I'm not sure Arthur, what's the URL?

MicheleSt: Jeff- Thank you for all of your great resources!

SusanR: I will remain around, Jeff to answer any questions

JeffC: You're welcome Michele... glad you liked them.

PaulaT: Thanks for your time Jeff.

SandraCi: Thank you Jeff for both of your sessions today they were great

JeffC: You are all members of this group now, please feel free to come back to this room any time.

ArthurM:

<http://jchemed.chem.wisc.edu/JCESoft/CCA/CCA1/MVHTM/R1039/S1039.HTM> for example

AmberCD: thanks for all the information that you just handed to us! this will be of great use for our future adventures..

BenS: is the class over. if it is I will need to post this session for class credit

JeffC: And one more thing... if you have ideas for guest speakers for this session... please email me at jbcoops@yahoo.com

SylviaCa: Jeff, thank you so much for all your help!

MicheleSt: Susan- I plan on coming to one of your chats soon! I missed the last one. So, see you then as well.

MicheleSt: Ben- the transcript is emailed to you

SusanR: o O (Jeff has a wealth of information and resources to share)

BenS: when Jeff leaves can I leave too

SusanR: next Wednesday, Michele..check the calendar

MicheleSt: yes - if you want to

MicheleSt: Ok I will Susan thanks!

BenS: and will I still get class credit

SusanR: Jeff is gone..yes you may leave or remain..as you wish

SandraCi: yes

SusanR: any questions and comments

MicheleSt: Ben- I am sure you will... the class is over.

SylviaCa: Thanks everyone, Sylvia is leaving, goodbye!!!

SandraCi: Bye everyone I enjoyed this very much

BenS: well , it was nice , but I really got to go and do other class work

MicheleSt: No- Thank you though Susan- Everyone have a good night and thanks for the ideas and websites.

SandraCi: thanks for all of your insight