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ChrystalA: Must I download the information now, in order to progress through the discussion.

JeffC: Well... we're visiting the site, and the only way to run it now is to download and install.

JeffC: Bron should be here momentarily to create accounts for you, but it's up to you if you want to try it.

ChrystalA: I was just wondering, thank you.

JeffC: Do you have a Mac or PC Chrystal?

SusanR wonders if there will be a Mac version eventually

RogerMG: The QA icon is setting on my desktop. Should I click and drag or no?

JeffC: That'd be a question for Bron. I don't know.

JeffC: did you install it Roger?

ChrystalA: a mac, which default setting should I choose to open the program?

JeffC: uh oh

JeffC: I don't know if you can Chrystal.

RogerMG: Yes. I did a run/run and got as far as id and password.

JeffC: right... that's where I am now too Roger.

BronS joined the room.

JeffC: We have to wait for Bron to generate them... hi Bron!

JeffC: Unfortunately, Chrystal is on a Mac... however, I have a screen sharing program, so maybe once I get into QA I can demo it for her remotely.

ChrystalA: Will I not be able to fully participate throughout the discussion?

JeffC tries to figure out solutions!

JeffC: Bron, Roger and I both need logins, and I'll work on getting Chrystal to screen share with me.

ChrystalA: thank you for your assistance.

BronS: No Probs

SusanR: can you do a screen share here as well, Jeff..or would that be a challenge?

BronS: I need Chrystal to send me a username message

FredK: Will our username and password be valid later?

FredK: I am at 75% download

FredK . o O (we'll make it yet)

JeffC is working on screenshare...

BronS: OK Roger is added

BronS: yes valid later

RogerMG: thank you. Shall I try it now?

BronS: I will have to set an expiry date on accounts though if ppl are not going to use it

BronS: yes go ahead Roger

KevinMac joined the room.

BronS: I do not have a username from Chrystal

BronS: Hey Kevin

KevinMac: hey

BronS: We're exploring Quest Atlantis

KevinMac: how do we explore?

DavidWe: Are teachers currently using QA with students, Bron?

JeffC: http://www.shareitnow.com/ for screen sharing

JeffC: my id is jbcoops@gmail.com

JeffC: Bron... once I get my id I can share the QA screen for Mac users.

MaryBe: Sorry went to the wrong room

BronS: let me see

DavidWe: Roger, you are OUT OF this WORLD!

JeffC: again, if anyone can't login, once I get to QA you can view my screen by going to: http://www.shareitnow.com/ and my presenter name is jbcoops@gmail.com

RickLM joined the room.

JeffC: Hi Rick, we're doing a special session on Quest Atlantis.

JeffC: It's a fantastic 3D environment... educational... and FUN! (don't tell any admins).

JeffC: You'll need to go to http://atlantis.crlt.indiana.edu/public/download.pl and download the software.

JeffC: I stopped sharing as Bron is creating my account and password.

JeffC: Because I know if David gets it he'll wreak havoc!

KevinMac: does QA cost anything?

SusanR waits patiently

JeffC: It's free Kevin

KevinMac: my favorite

JeffC: ok... I'm in!

JeffC: and I'm also sharing my screen!

KevinMac: I'm watching

BronS: QA is free - but you have to do the online PD to establish a class in QA

BronS: and agree parents need to agree to let their kids be part of a research project

BronS: Does anyone need an account?

DavidWe: Do you know how many people have accounts, Bron?

BronS: There is curriculum work in here - in the form of quests - for which kids get rewards called LUMINS

BronS: thousands of accounts about

BronS: Schools in Indiana, Florida

DavidWe: What's the age range of students using QA?

BronS: Australia, Singapore, China, Turkey

MaryBe: Where in Florida?

BronS: age range most suited to is 9-13

SusanR: Canada?

JeffC: again... for anyone who wants to look at my screen... go to http://www.shareitnow.com and my presenter name is jbcoops@gmail.com ...who here is already looking?

BronS: not yet in Canada - but now we have the online PD ready to train teachers we can take interested schools anywhere

KevinMac: I'm looking

FredK: I'm trying to log in

BronS: Aussie kids were in QA earlier.

SusanR . o O (feels a bit like Second Life)

BronS: Can check where in Florida

JeffC: ok... I'm NOW GOING TO LOGIN TO TAPPED In WITHIN THE QA interface (and check the lag).

BronS: yes like second life - but totally secure

BronS: there r no guest accounts

BronS: u ppl have been allowed in as TI teachers and Jeff and BJ vouch for u

KevinMac: like runescape which my students (6th grade) were addicted to last year

JeffC: rock and roll! I am now looking at Tapped In from within QA and screen sharing!

FredK: Still not letting me in

JeffC: Did you get a user name and password from Bron, Fred?

FredK: I sent her a private message

SusanR: Cool

FredK: With my choice of username and password

KevinMac: how do we register? or is it not open to everyone.

BronS: yes Fred is registered

JeffC: no guests here Kevin

BronS: Where do you teach Kevin?

JeffC: I mean, no guests at QA.

KevinMac: Vienna, WV

FredK: It still gives me the message that there is no quester by that name

KevinMac: two hours east of Columbus, OH

BronS: let me check Fred

JeffC: of course the one downside to running tapped in within QA is that if you look at anything, you lose your connection to TI... one of these years maybe we can have the top web interface at TI show the QA one (is dreaming I know).

JeffC is going to reconnect to TI the old fashioned way and toggle between windows.

JeffC: how many are not in QA?

DavidWe congratulates Fred and gives him a high-speed digital modem

JeffC: If you're not... go to http://www.shareitnow.com and join my session... I'm jbcoops@gmail.com and you'll be able to screen share with me.

FredK: I finally got it loaded and playing , sort of.

DavidWe smiles

DavidWe: Way to go!

SusanR: I am screen sharing. Thanks Jeff

FredK: It's just getting in the door now

BronS: Try now Fred

FredK . o O (Great I'm in)

JeffC: cool Susan!

BronS: Great!

BronS: Is there anyone else I have neglected?

DavidWe: Bron, I've spent a lot of time with teachers assisting them in understanding how "new" technology might assist them in their teaching

DavidWe: What are the first few things you mention to new people when you introduce QA?

BronS: Well - there is a whole legend and narrative associated with it - a fantasy place for kids to hang out in

BronS: It is a secure space - only teachers and students are permitted in here

BronS: we don't give guest accounts

BronS: ppl today have been supported by their TI colleagues

DavidWe: Do I have a DEFAULT avatar - Roger can't see me in Culture World

BronS: if you are in a different world u cannot chat with ppl in other worlds

FredK: How long do I have to "look around"?

BronS: so kids have to read the novel that goes with this

DavidWe: Roger and I are both in Culture World

KevinMac: so how do I gain access to this (get an account) I can use it with my students?

DavidWe just learned the "3rd person" command

BronS: it tells them the narrative

BronS: There is a 3 week online PD that has to be completed BEFORE teachers can register a class

KevinMac: what's PD

BronS: Sorry prof development

DavidWe . o O (Professional Development)

BronS: training for teachers to set them up

KevinMac: when is the next one scheduled for?

BronS: if we get enough of a group in here we could schedule one for when it suits you guys and gals

BronS: Each school needs 2 participants - we have a buddy system

FredK: Very good. I just wish I was better at multitasking

BronS: and a training class might be 10-12 ppl

DavidWe: That would be cool, Bron

DavidWe: I think I need a little training

KevinMac: is the PD online?

BronS: So if the maths and science group have enough ppl then we could schedule a training session and get going

BronS: yes PD is all online

BronS: resources are posted to the school

KevinMac: so, I need to find another teacher in my building (no problem) and then take the PD with a group of 10+ from around the world?

BronS: yep you got it

BJB2: Bron, we have 10 minutes left. Did you want to schedule a meeting for next week now?

BronS: yes I think it would be good to reconvene next week after ppl have explored and talk about a training data etc

BronS: I can organize the training if ppl want to go forward

SusanR: Thanks Bron and Jeff for sharing

FredK: Count me in

BronS: There is so much more I need to show ppl

JeffC: still trying to add Roger as a contact.

JeffC: yup!

JeffC: now you know how I feel when giving a tour *here* Bron!

FredK: Thanks, It's exploring time

BronS: Can everyone interested join the Quest Atlantis Group in Tapped In?

JeffC: yup... I've been doing that there...

BronS: That way we can keep in touch with each other

DavidWe joined the room.

SusanR: Thanks again,

JeffC: yes... in this room, just click top frame, scroll down the Welcome box and click the little "i" in the green circle.

JeffC: When you click that "i" you'll see a link to 'join this group.'

SusanR: Is this stream saved, Jeff

SusanR: for you

BronS: yes

BJB2: if you want to select a date and time and email me, I'll post to the calendar

JeffC: anyone still screen sharing with me?

SusanR: I am

JeffC: ok

BronS: I am good for any time

SusanR: I am fine. This gave me a good feel for the environment, Bron

BronS: great

BronS: We need to get a group of 10 (2 per school) to make a Tapped In specific training group

DavidWe raises his hand

SusanR: I must get back to real life. Thanks again

DavidWe: Happy to be one of that group

BronS: After the meeting next week if we have not heard from ppl registered today I will need to close their accounts

JeffC: I'm glad my screen sharing worked! and it's *free*!

DavidWe: Thanks, Bron