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BJB2 waves hi to Sharon!

SharonWB : Hi!

SharonWB : Any last minute pointers for me?

JeffC : Hi Sharon

SharonWB : Hi, Jeff.

JeffC : How are things at NASA?

SharonWB : Interesting.

JeffC : Oh... last minute pointers? I'd recommend having them be extra careful on the next set of heat tiles for the next Shuttle.

SharonWB : I'm actually working for the National Institute of Aerospace now ...

JeffC : cool!

SharonWB : It is ... I still get to do things with NASA ...

SharonWB : but I get to do other neat things too.

JeffC : excellent

SharonWB : In fact ... may I join you again in October to take folks to a new site that we're working on?

JeffC : Well... maybe one pointer would be for you to use your NASA Resources room here and get some K-12 students enrolled in it.

JeffC : that's great! what's the site?

SharonWB : I'm developing some educational resources for the new Pokemon Pearl and Diamond game

SharonWB : The buzz phrase ... Master the Science ... Master the Game

JeffC : really? my kids are now getting into collecting pokemon cards... my youngest just had a big argument about trading a Mew card for another.

SharonWB : The Pokemon in this game have "dominion over time" and can "warp space"

JeffC : (hence the earlier emergency BJ... that... and auditioning for "Jungle Book")

JeffC : now I have older son problems... back in a minute after I reconnect on the other computer.

SharonWB : So ... I'm developing some lessons for grades 3-5 and 6-8 that are "real science" of time and space

SharonWB : we'll have a new website that will launch Sept. 24

SharonWB : I'd love to share it with folks here ...

BJB2 : Jeff, why don't you announce and see if there's anyone to join us

JeffC : ok

JeffC : **|** ANNOUNCEMENT: Science Resources starts now. Please type: /join JeffC if you would like to attend. **|**

SharonWB : So ... Jeff ... may we put the Pokemon site in the Science Resource room once it's active Sept. 24?

SharonWB : And ... may I join you again next month to help folks learn more about the features?

JeffC : absolutely!

JeffC : and yes, we'll schedule next month's Science Resources as Pokemon Day!

SharonWB : Great!

SharonWB : That will be wonderful.

SharonWB : We're adding 2 new lessons in Sept ... Oct ... and then Nov ...

SharonWB : And ... encouraging teachers to submit student work ...

JeffC : that's exactly the type of thing that would be great for Math as well... my son was

very perturbed when he discovered he traded a card "worth 50" for one "worth 100."

SharonWB : and questions for experts

JeffC : all around science and pokemon?

SharonWB : Around the real science topics that support these new Pokemon

JeffC : oh... interesting!

SharonWB : So ... for the Dialga (dominion over time) ... lessons on timekeeping by the sun and travel by comet

JeffC : wow!

SharonWB : for Palkia (warps space) ... lessons on the expanding universe ... travel in space ...life in space

JeffC : that sounds really great Sharon... obviously a lot of thought, energy, and professionalism went into it.

SharonWB : So ... we try to hook the kids with Pokemon ... but let them see that real science is pretty amazing, too

JeffC : which of course means that there's little chance that it will ever see the light of day in most classrooms! wait... everything is aligned to national standards, right?

SharonWB : For the "questions for experts" I'll interview NASA and NIA scientists to get the answers

SharonWB : and post the interviews

SharonWB : Yes ... I'm choosing topics that fit national standards

JeffC : considering the fact that Pokemon is filtered in most districts... this is one way to get students to your site... are you working iwth the Pokemon people on this? do they support it?

SharonWB : We're doing it for Nintendo

JeffC : beautiful!

JeffC : Nintendo owns Pokemon (or vice versa?)... something like that?

SharonWB : Nintendo owns Pokemon

JeffC nods

JeffC: that's some major support... now all you really have to do is get the word out and deal with all the prejudice against gaming in education.

SharonWB: We've placed ads in Learning magazine ... the NSTA journals ...

SharonWB: And ... we'll eblast teachers through the NortellearniT site and NSTA

JeffC: cool... the question mark comes about getting it going in the classrooms... that's one reason I'd love to see you get some K-12 students in your NASA room here.

JeffC: do you have stuff for all grade levels? or is this pretty much middle school and below?

SharonWB: In the NASA room, there's resources for everyone.

SharonWB: The Pokemon work is for grades 3-5 and 6-8.

JeffC: right... I was wondering about the pokemon project... right... makes sense.

SharonWB: I have some training planned for teachers in my city to bring them to Tapped In and the resource room

SharonWB: And ... to other resources ... like Pokemon

SharonWB: Hopefully ... that will get more people to enroll in the resource room

BJB2 what I've been suggesting to teachers, Sharon...

JeffC: yup

BJB2: is that they request to collaborate with your group room

SharonWB: That would be great ...

SharonWB: what would that entail

BJB2: that will allow teachers to bring their students to your group

BJB2: the Teacher would make the request..you'd get the request in your email

SharonWB: There are links in some of the folders specifically for kids

BJB2: then you would go to the group room/settings/member management and accept the collaboration

SharonWB : So ... when we do the training in October

SharonWB : we'll make this recommendation

BJB2 nods...that's why I'd like to see teachers bring their classes to the room

BJB2: cool!

JeffC: right... I'm surprised I didn't put out a collaboration invite to you yet. (does so now)

SharonWB : Great ...

SharonWB : want a sneak preview for the splash page of the website?

SharonWB : the pokemon site?

BJB2 smiles...of course!

JeffC: I'll make you a Moderator of this group as well if you like... it will give you more privileges.

SharonWB : It's just the ad ... the rest is still being built

SharonWB : go to ... masterthescience.org

JeffC: ah... oh... I can't collaborate with your NASA group, since it's K-12.

JeffC: <http://masterthescience.org>

SharonWB : thanks

SharonWB : why can't you collaborate with my group?

BJB2: has to be a student group

SharonWB : should I change it?

JeffC: no

JeffC: but know that you can only collaborate with other K-12 classes.

JeffC: you might want to create a NASA group here in the main campus.

SharonWB : You can have a passageway to my group, though ... yes?

SharonWB : Tell me how to do that

JeffC : btw... here's the link for signing up for your Pokemon organization:
http://www.nortellearnit.org/usermanagement/registration_form?action=add

SharonWB : I got there with masterthescience.org

JeffC : no... there can't be passageways between main TI rooms and the K-12 Campus (security reasons).

JeffC : right... that's the registration address (doing that now)

BJB2 : I invited you to collaborate with Teens for TI

SharonWB : ah ...

SharonWB : Great!

SharonWB : How do I get a NASA room on the main campus?

SharonWB : Remember ... I'm new to all of this.

BJB2 : go to the Tapped In tab

BJB2 : then click on Groups in the blue menu bar

BJB2 : and create a new Tapped In group

BJB2 . o O (not a k-12 group)

BJB2 : make the group public open

SharonWB : Should I call it a NASA Resources?

SharonWB : Or another name

BJB2 : I think you have to make it different from the K-12 name

SharonWB : Should I set up a National Institute of Aerospace group?

BJB2 : that sounds very impressive!

SharonWB : That way I can include some projects in addition to NASA stuff

JeffC : good idea

JeffC: well... I'm registered!

JeffC left the room.

JeffC joined the room.

JeffC just left temporarily to accept Bj's invitation from Teens for Tapped In to Sharon's NASA group.

SharonWB: Do I make the room "Public, Open" or "Public, Moderated"

BJB2: public open

BJB2: and then you might want to make it open to all visitors after you create the room

BJB2 . o O (then anyone can enter, but only members can post to the discussion board)

SharonWB: Okay ... Just made it

BJB2 . o O (unless you're going to store state secrets in the group room)

SharonWB: What do I do now?

BJB2: go to the group room. I'll open a private message with you

JeffC: let's all go there

JeffC left the room.

SharonWB left the room.

BJB2 left the room.

Room: NIA_Grp

BJB2 joined the room.

SharonWB: Now what?

BJB2: click on settings

BJB2: then member management

BJB2: and scroll all the way down to visitors

BJB2: and allow all visitors

SharonWB: all users ... not all visitors?

BJB2: all users sounds good

SharonWB: And then ... I'll add links here ... and the same sort of thing I have in the NASA resource room

JeffC: cool Sharon

SharonWB: Now ... you can link to this room, Jeff?

SharonWB: Do we need to go back to the Science room in case folks visit us?

BJB2: I'll keep an eye out

SharonWB: You're amazing ... I'm so impressed by how you can be in multiple places at one time

BJB2 chuckles...not always as much fun as it seems!

SharonWB: How can I invite users to my new group?

BJB2: go to settings/member management and invite new users

SharonWB: And ... I should probably put something here before I invite folks, yes?

BJB2 nods...might be a good idea

SharonWB: Can I invite everyone in the Science Resource room?

BJB2: I can also put an article in the upcoming newsletter, Sharon

SharonWB: Super!

BJB2 . o O (just send me a paragraph or two about this new group)

SharonWB: That will be my first task tomorrow morning ...

SharonWB: It's nearly my bedtime

SharonWB smiles

BJB2: you can invite all the members of Science Resources by posting to the discussion

board in Science Resources...

BJB2: or Jeff can collaborate with this group

SharonWB: What's best?

BJB2: Let's see if you can invite Science Resources to collaborate

BJB2: go to settings/member management

BJB2: and scroll down to collaborate

SharonWB: Voila

SharonWB: And now ... the Math Resources group?

BJB2: you can invite any groups you want

SharonWB: Voila ... math resources invited

SharonWB: Now ... I really better get something in this group ... :0

BJB2: when you invite a group to collaborate and they accept, you get a passageway to that group added to your room...

SharonWB: Very cool

BJB2: but the invited groups have to add a passageway to this room

BJB2: . o O (hint, hint, Jeff)

SharonWB: Yes ... hint, hint, jeff

SharonWB left the room.

BJB2 left the room.

Room: Sci._Resources

BJB2 joined the room.

SharonWB: Ah ... a familiar face

SharonWB: Glad you're here

BJB : trying to figure out how to accept your invitation to collaborate

BJB : duh...needed to scroll over

SharonWB : Thanks for joining the room.

SharonWB : The new room

SharonWB : I'll make it "pretty" tomorrow morning

SharonWB : Did we lose Jeff?

BJB : he's in the NIA room

BJB2 left the room.

Room: NIA_Grp

BJB2 joined the room.

DavidW joined the room.

DavidW waves

SharonWB joined the room.

BJB2 hugs David

DavidW hug BJ

DavidW: wrong room?

SharonWB : Yipee skipee

DavidW: Hi, Sharon

SharonWB : got a little lost

SharonWB : Hello David

BJB2: Sharon just created this room, David

SharonWB : Good to see you

DavidW: Hi, Sharon

DavidW: Looks good, Sharon

BJB2: some really exciting stuff in the works!

SharonWB: I haven't done anything yet

DavidW smiles

SharonWB: But ... my first priority for tomorrow morning

SharonWB: I'm working for NIA this year

SharonWB: still doing NASA stuff

SharonWB: but some other interesting things too

DavidW: cool

SharonWB: So ... I'll add my NASA resources ... and the NIA resources to this room tomorrow

DavidW: Did we get anyone logging in for K-20 science?

SharonWB: Only me, Jeff, and BJ

DavidW smiles

BJB2: just us, David

DavidW: Got it

SharonWB: Day after a holiday ..

DavidW agrees

SharonWB: first day of school for many

BJB2: but Sharon has accomplished a lot

SharonWB: tough night

DavidW: yup

SharonWB: with your help

SharonWB: I follow directions just fine

SharonWB: but stumble without you guys

BJB2 . o O (nature of Tapped In: COLLABORATION)

DavidW smiles

DavidW: Well, then, since I just got back, I'm going to get some dinner

BJB2: and we don't want to keep Sharon up past her bed time ;-)

BJB2 . o O (or me either!)

DavidW hugs BJ

SharonWB: I really am amazed that you guys are always here for me

BJB2 hugs.

SharonWB: You're the best

DavidW: Good job on the new group room, Sharon

DavidW . o O (BJ is the best)

BJB2: we're a team

SharonWB: Come back to visit later tomorrow ...

DavidW: Sure thing

DavidW: Have a good evening, folks

SharonWB: Good night

DavidW: Ciao

SharonWB: I think this is just a busy night for many

SharonWB: But I'd love to try again next month

SharonWB: and then ... take folks to the NIA room as well as the NASA resource room

BJB2: I'll put you on the calendar, Sharon

SharonWB : and introduce Pokemon

SharonWB : Thanks.

SharonWB : Jeff ... we worked with Pokemon on two other projects

SharonWB : your sons may be interested

SharonWB : let me go find the site ...

SharonWB : <http://ksnn.larc.nasa.gov/pokemon/unseen/>

SharonWB : One set of resources deals with Ex-Deoxys ...

SharonWB : the other with Emerald

SharonWB : more "real science behind the game"

JeffC : cool sharon

SharonWB : these were fun ...

SharonWB : just trying to get kids excited anyway that we can

JeffC : Thanks so much... I have to run... taking my kids to their mom's.

SharonWB : Good night Jeff ... BJ.

SharonWB : Talk with you soon

SharonWB : Thanks for the help in setting up the new room