



THE NATIONAL SCIENCE DIGITAL LIBRARY

Digital Libraries: New Tools for Teaching and Learning



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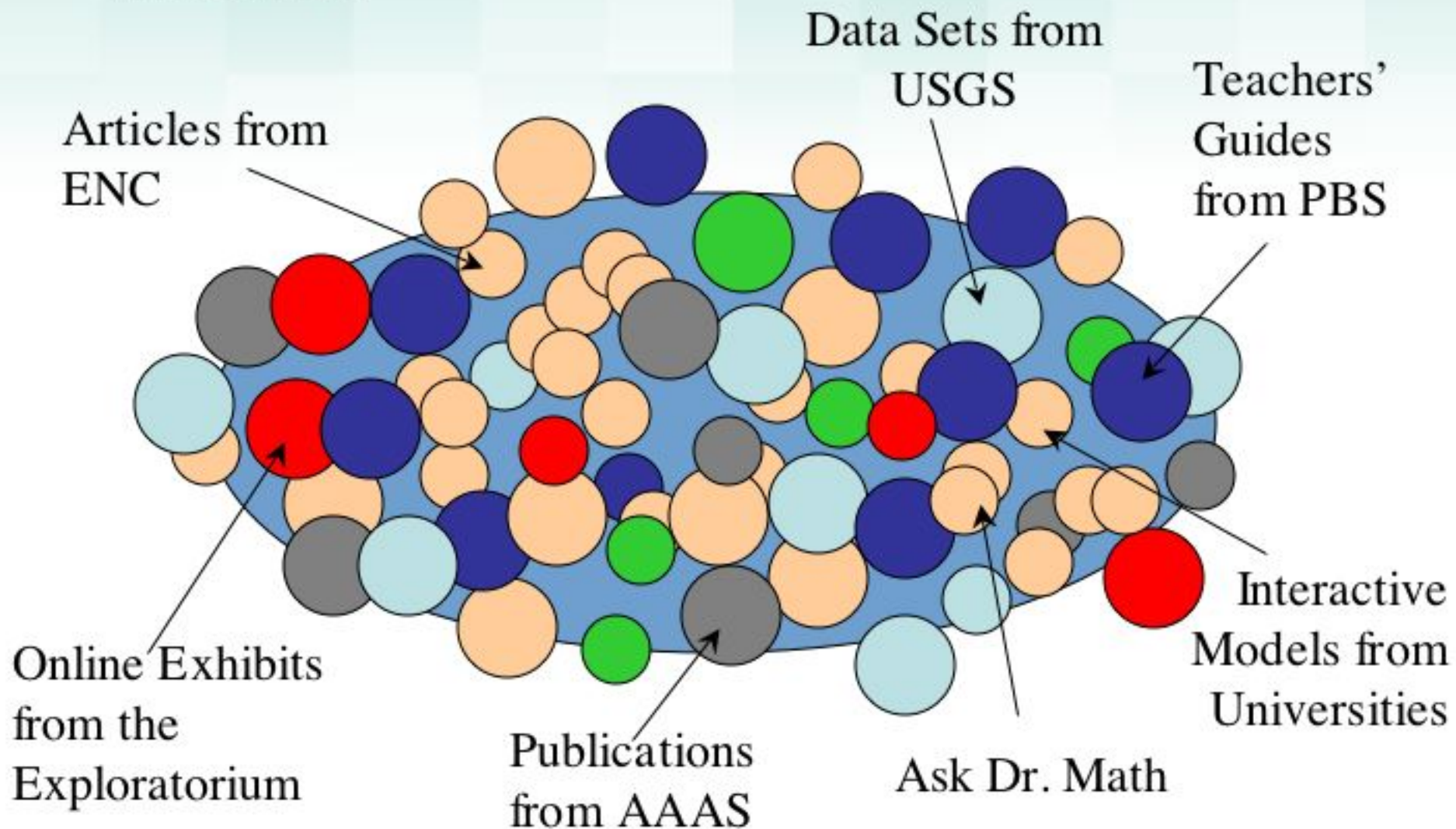
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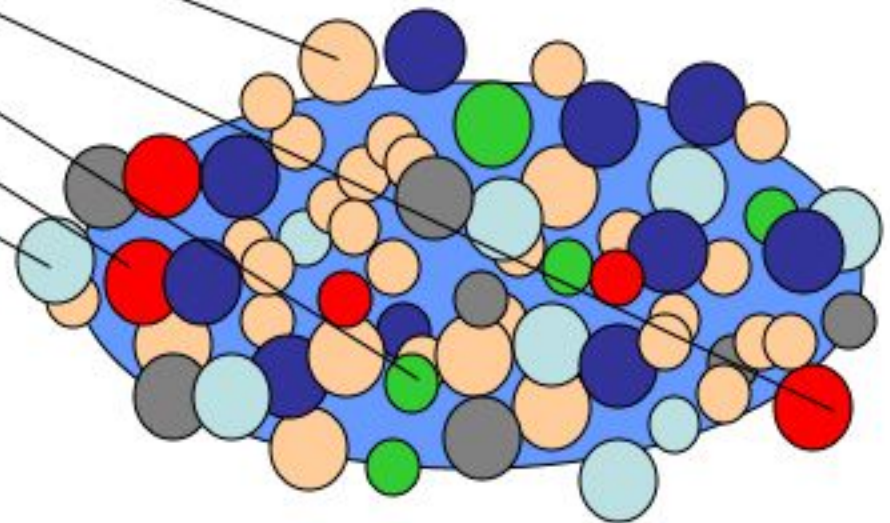
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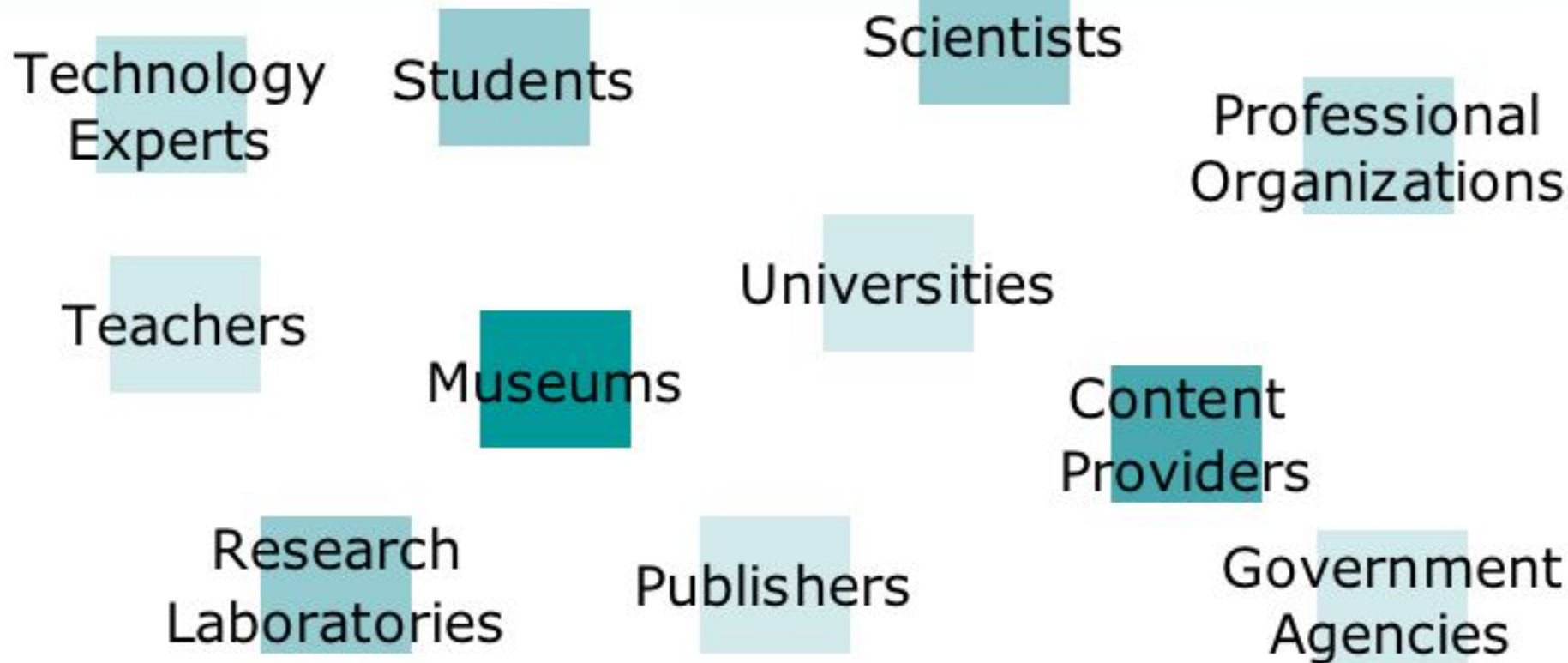
Digital Libraries Offer Coordinated Access



**NSDL
Repository**



*NSDL is a work in progress being built
by community participation...*



NSDL Grant Funding

Pathways

Assemblages of resources to serve a particular audience

Services

Tools supporting NSDL users and developers

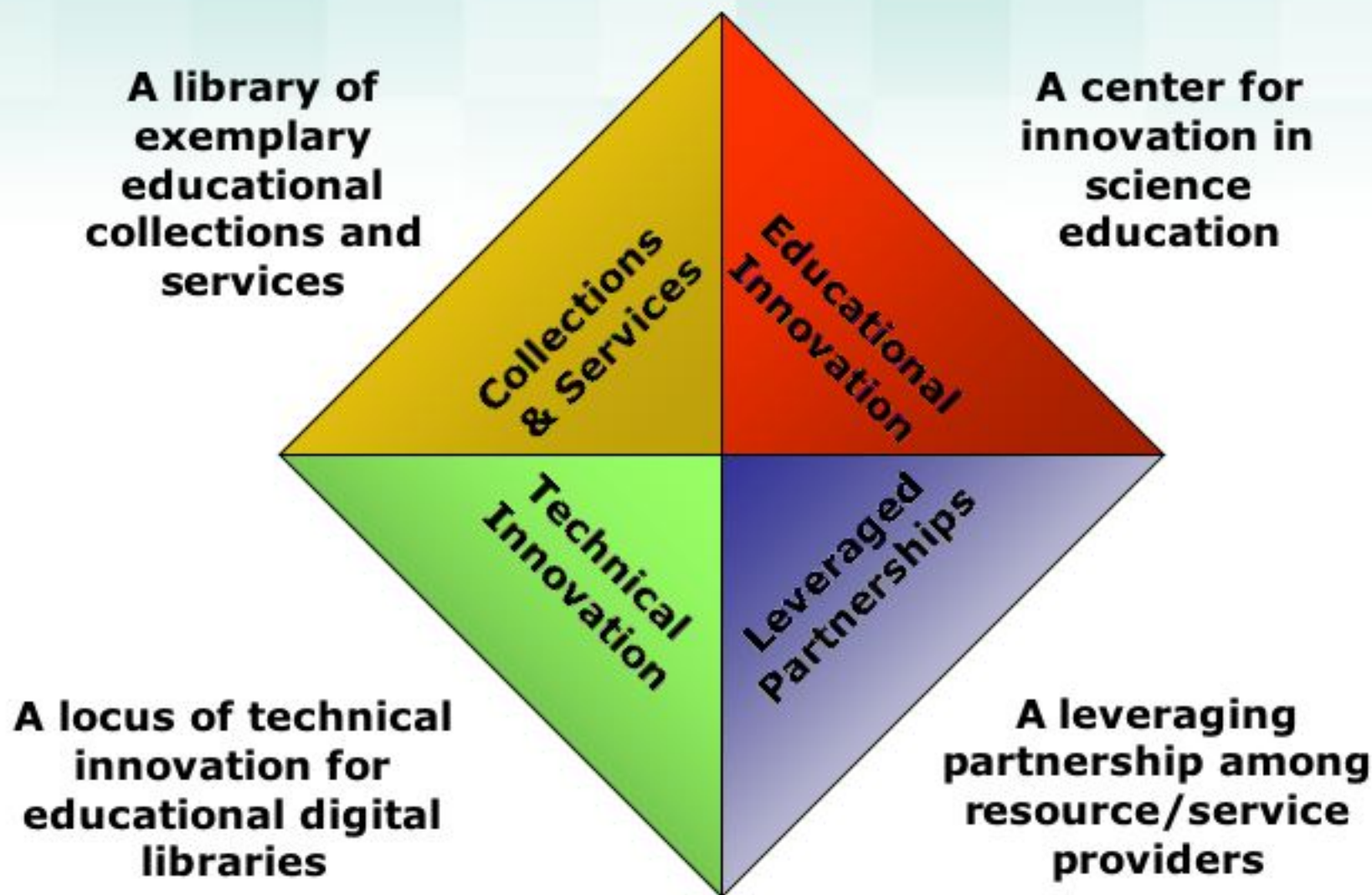
Targeted Research

Investigations of new technologies and evaluations of educational impact

NSDL's 159 funded projects represent 92 different institutions in 32 states and the District of Columbia.

Next Solicitation due April 2004 with notification expected by October 2004.

Four Facets of NSDL



NSDL in Support of the K-12 Community

An organized point of access to the Internet

A trusted source for high quality, relevant, accurate, and appropriate information

Peer reviewed materials

Resources that support standards

The National Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics Education Digital Library

*The National Science Foundation's online
library of resources for science education ...*

...established to catalyze and support continual improvements in STEM education at all levels (K-12, Higher Education, and Lifelong Learning).

NSDL in Support of the K-12 Community

*Collaborative online environments
for dialogue, document sharing, and
idea exchange*

*Connections to real scientific data,
scientists, and the scientific process*

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Web Images Groups Directory News

Searched the web for **Venus** Results 1 - 10 of about 3,220,000. Search took 0.10 seconds.

Category: [Science > Astronomy > Solar System > Venus](#)

News: [Clijsters, Venus, Davenport headline Day 3 at Big W](#) - Sports Network - 3 hours ago
[Venus faces busy 1st day](#) - Indianapolis Star - 15 hours ago
[Venus on Red Satin: Salvador Dali's House in Queens](#) - New York Times - Jun 21, 2003
Try Google News: [Search news for Venus](#) or [browse the latest headlines](#)

Venus

Venus. The Bringer of Peace **Venus** is the second planet from the Sun and the sixth largest. **Venus'** orbit ... Starry Night. More about **Venus** ...
seds.lpl.arizona.edu/nineplanets/nineplanets/Venus.html - 14k - [Cached](#) - [Similar pages](#)

Venus Introduction

Venus was named after the Roman goddess of love and beauty, but is now known to be very different from Earth. ... **Venus** Introduction. ...
Description: From "Views of the Solar System".
Category: [Science > Astronomy > Solar System > Venus](#)
www.solarnews.com/eng/venus.htm - 32k - [Cached](#) - [Similar pages](#)

Venus

Erase Errata perform at South by Southwest. Photo by Snapcult. Message Boards.
Got something you're dying to say? Say it in our message boards. ...
Description: Focuses on women in music with an emphasis on independent artists. Site provides additional information...
Category: [Arts > Music > Women in Music > Magazines](#)
www.venuszine.com/ - 10k - [Cached](#) - [Similar pages](#)

Magellan Mission to Venus

Description: News and images on the **Venus** radar mapping mission terminated in 1994.
Category: [Science > Technology > ... > Missions > Unmanned > Venus > Magellan](#)
www.jpl.nasa.gov/magellan/ - [Similar pages](#)

Venus

Venus. **Venus** Fact Sheet Images of **Venus** - from the Catalog ... Missions to **Venus**.
Magellan - NASA **Venus** Radar Mapping Mission (1989-1994) Pioneer ...
nssdc.gsfc.nasa.gov/planetary/planets/venuspage.html - 7k - [Cached](#) - [Similar pages](#)

Venus

Venus... Please click to enter, New and used full-figured clothing for women sizes 14 and up. Store Hours Tuesday - Thursday Noon - 8pm ...

www.venusclothes.com/ - 6k - [Cached](#) - [Similar pages](#)

The Planet Venus

... Earlier Views of **Venus**. In earlier times, there was considerable speculation ... its conjectured inhabitants. Modern views of **Venus**. In the last 30 ...

Description: Details on this planet.

Category: [Science > Astronomy > Solar System > Venus](#)

csep10.phys.utk.edu/astr161/lect/venus/venus.html - 4k - [Cached](#) - [Similar pages](#)

Venus - [[Translate this page](#)]

Estas recibiendo este mensaje porque hemos detectado que tienes una versión antigua del programa que usas para navegar la Internet. ...

www.venus.com.ar/ - 4k - [Cached](#) - [Similar pages](#)

Solar System Exploration: Bodies: Venus

Romanticized as the morning and evening star, **Venus** is actually a cauldron of blistering heat and noxious gases! ...

solarsystem.nasa.gov/features/planets/venus/venus.html - 33k - [Cached](#) - [Similar pages](#)

Plus Size Clothing, Plus Size Modeling & Venus Diva Attitude

Plus size clothing in all sizes and styles, free plus size modeling seminars and resources, curvy lifestyle, curvy health and more - The **Venus** Divas! ...

Description: A virtual community for women and teens sizes 12+. Offers information and instruction on plus-size...

Category: [Business > Arts and Entertainment > ... > Modeling > Resources](#)

www.venusimaging.com/ - 53k - [Cached](#) - [Similar pages](#)

www.pantheon.org/mythica/articles/v/venus.html

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Amazon.com: Books: Men Are from Mars, Women Are from Venus: A ...

Men Are from Mars, Women Are from **Venus**: A Practical Guide for Improving Communication and Getting What You Want in Your Relationships, John Gray. ...

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Venus Envy | Welcome page

Venus Envy is a Women's book, health, and sex store in Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada. **Venus Envy** is an education-oriented sex shop and book store. ...

National Science Digital Library

Educational resources for science, technology, engineering, and mathematics.

Funded by the National Science Foundation.



The eternal mystery of the world is its comprehensibility.

-Albert Einstein



Resource of Interest

Build a DNA Molecule

This online click-and-drag simulation, part of the Genetic Science Learning Center, uses sound and interactive graphics effectively to introduce DNA building blocks. ...

New in the Library

Geotech. Rock & Water DL

The Geotechnical, Rock & Water (GROW) Digital Library was created by the University of Arizona's Department of Civil Engineering, Center for Campus Computing, University Library, and a host of other c ...

NSDL Headlines

GROW Project Wins Award and Recognition

October 2003-- The GROW project, has been named a Civil Engineering Coolsite by Emerald Abstracts. Only exceptional sites are included in Coolsites and are eligible to display this award. Emerald Ab ...








NSDL Search Results for

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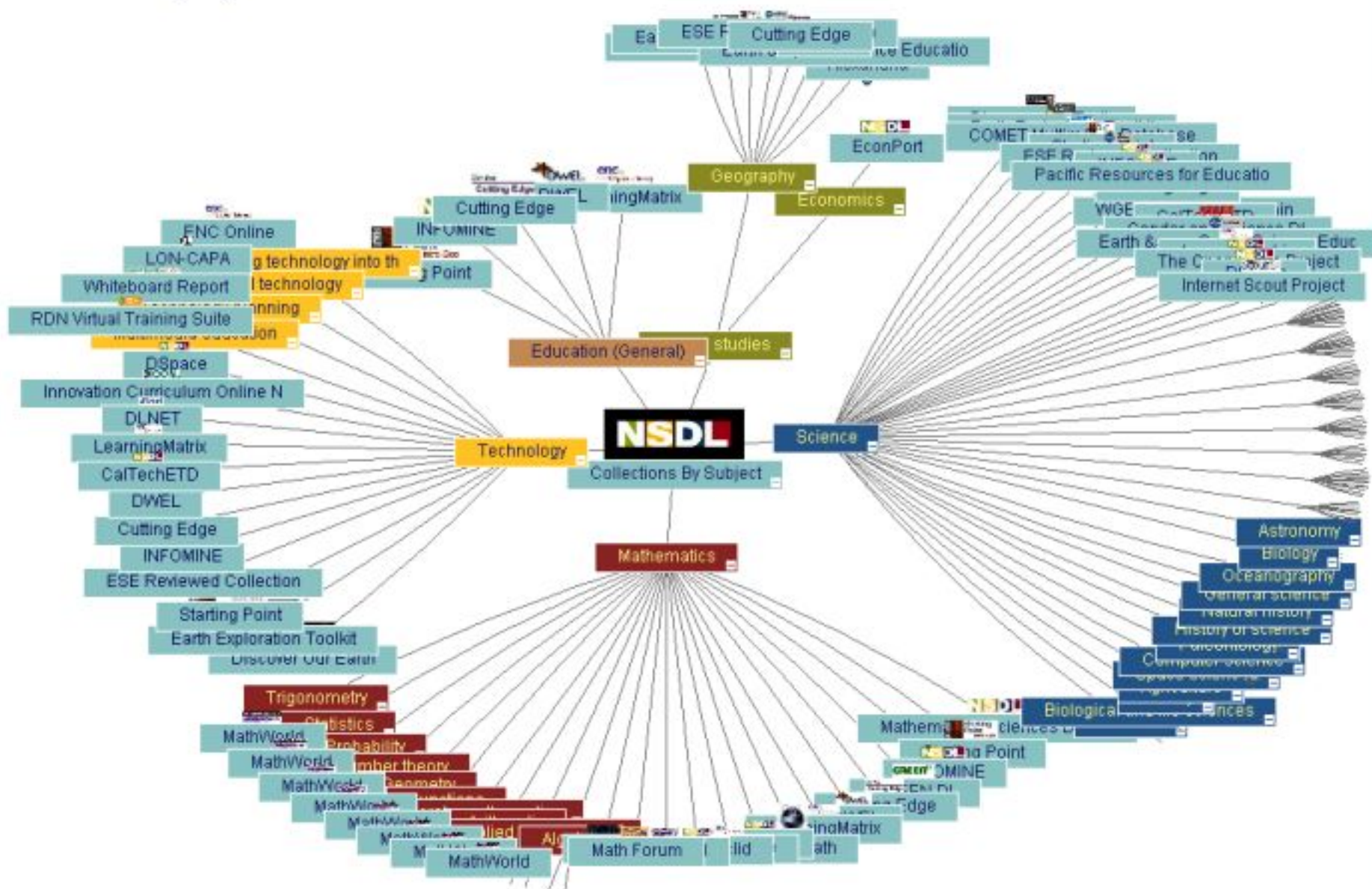
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Title/ Description	Resource Format	Found in Collection
Venus This section of the Windows to the Universe web site provides information and images about Venus inc ... more info [Archived Version]	[text] [image]	
Earth/Venus Rotation Movie This site provides the learner with a short video of the rotation of Earth and Venus. more info [Archived Version]	[text] [image] [video]	
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Rummaging through Earth's attic for remains of ancient life Comment: 51 pages, 6 tables, 4 figures more info [Archived Version]	[text]	arXiv
Why are there no oceans on the surfaces of Venus and Mars? Segment: #15 of 33, start 0:23:47.467, duration = 0:1:27.888 more info [Archived Version]	[video] [interactive]	
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Asteroids in the Inner Solar System II - Observable Properties	[text]	arXiv
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Interactive exploration and modeling of large data sets: A case study with Venus light scattering data		
We present a system where visualization and the control of the simulation are integrated to facilita ... more info [Archived Version]		
The Solar System	[text]	
Our solar system consists of a star we call the Sun, the planets Mercury, Venus, Earth, Mars, Jupite ... more info [Archived Version]		
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Far-ultraviolet Spectroscopy of Venus and Mars at 4 Å Resolution with the Hopkins Ultraviolet Telescope on Astro-2	[text]	arXiv
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Planet Venus project (PV1)	[text]	
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NSDL Collections By Subject



Browse NSDL Collections

Select Collections beginning with:

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Title ▲ ▼

275 Collections

About - Science

A listing of About.com's science resources.

[Collection Info](#)

Access Excellence

Access Excellence, launched in 1993, is a national educational program that provides high school biology and life science teachers access to their colleagues, scientists, and critical sources of new...

[Collection Info](#)

Access Excellence: the site for health and bioscience teachers and learners

This site contains bioscience classroom activities; teaching and learning strategies; health and bioscience news; a biotech section; a student resource section with science and math links and a...

[Collection Info](#)

Advanced Placement Digital Library

This collection is created for teachers and students engaged in teaching and learning of science at the Advanced Placement (AP) and Pre-AP level. Each of the web-based educational resources is...

[Collection Info](#)

Air Quality Index (AQI) -- AIRNow

The AQI tells you how clean the air is and whether it will affect your health. EPA, state, and local agencies work together to report current and forecast conditions for ozone and particle pollution...

[Collection Info](#)

Alexandria Digital Library Project

Welcome to the Alexandria Digital Library Project. The name Alexandria comes from the library of Alexandria, Egypt, which was considered the center of all knowledge/learning. No one place now can...

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All About Birds

Cornell's Lab of Ornithology in Ithaca, New York provides comprehensive information on identifying birds, where to "bird" and how to report observations, including a dynamic online guide that...

[Collection Info](#)

AllCommunity.com - Science

This site consists of listing of AllCommunity.com's science links. The AllCommunity Network comprises millions of web surfers/online users who have come together to pool their Consumer Power. The...

[Collection Info](#)

American Memory from the Library of Congress

American Memory consists of primary source and archival materials relating to American culture and

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Alphabetical List of Collections

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Resource of Interest

Each month NSDL staff offer a sampling of interesting resources to demonstrate the diversity and innovation of NSDL collections and services.

BRIDGE, the Ocean Sciences Education Teacher Resource Center

Bridge, the Ocean Sciences Education Teacher Resource Center, is a growing collection of on-line marine education resources. It provides educators with accurate, useful, content-correct and content-current marine and data information on global, national, and regional marine science topics, and gives researchers a contact point for educational outreach. --From the DLESE Collection



Culturally Situated Design Tools

This web site resource allows the learner to explore math through culturally-focused crafts and other creative activities. --From the Ethnomathematics DL Collection



Water on the Web

Water on the Web (WOW) offers unique opportunities for high school and first year college students to learn basic science through



Resource of Interest
New in the Library
Whiteboard Report
NSDL Scout Report
Online Safari
Services & Tools
Partner Libraries
Science Pictures
Labview

LabView

Automatic Enhancement of Metadata

With very little expenditure of effort we could improve on some of the metadata in the NSDL, using automatic methods. This demonstration shows how existing technologies such as metadata scraping tools and a Static OAI Gateway could be used to augment NSDL metadata.



**Discovering
existing NSDL
resources to be
improved using a
"Bookmarklet."**



**Searchable Star
Tree of NSF NSDL
Awards**

Searchable Star Tree of NSF NSDL Awards

The NSDL Awards Star Tree works in Internet Explorer on a Windows box, and in Netscape on a Macintosh (but not as well). It does not work with IE (5.2), Safari or Opera on the Mac.

The Star Tree is organized by subject. Specifically, by GEM subjects present in collection records in the NSDL Metadata Repository, when those collection records matched an NSF NSDL award.

All leaf nodes represent NSF awards and are named by award number and by

title; hovering over a leaf node will display a description of the project. When an NSF award matches no collection record, it is filed under the "unknown" subject. Non-matching award nodes in the graph are hot linked to the appropriate NSF award page; awards that match a collection are hot linked to the URL provided in the collection record. Note that most NSF awards do *not* have collection records in the MR

Today in the NSDL
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NSDL Email list

Today in the NSDL



"... man will occasionally
stumble over the truth, but
usually manages to pick himself
up, walk over or around it, and
carry on."

-- Winston Churchill

Systems Status

All Systems have been
reported stable in past 15 minutes.

Community Highlights

NSDL CI Middle School emphasis . . .

Project Profile

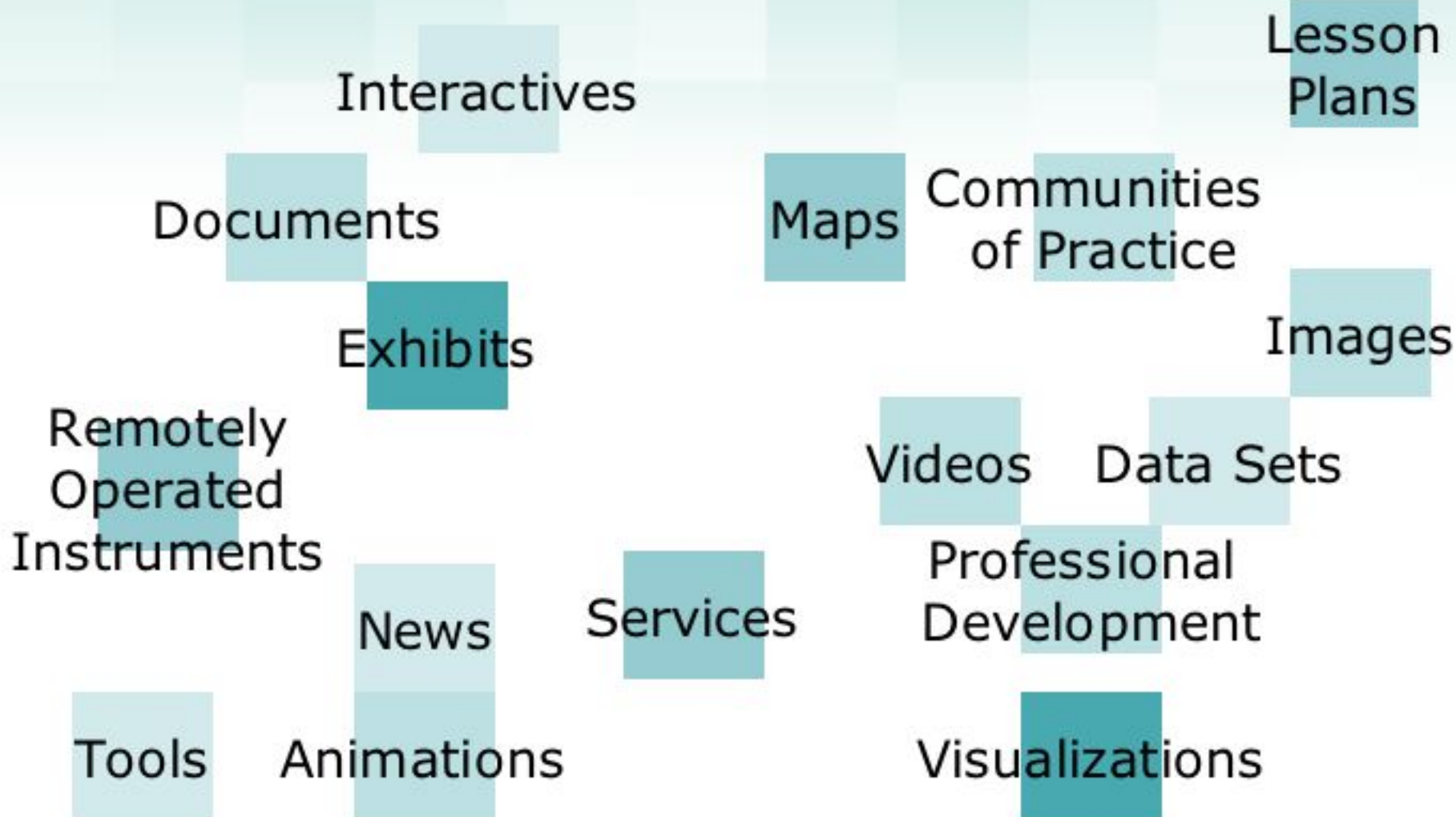
Read about the Collaboration Finder . . .

Suggest a Resource

Contribute your collection ideas . . .

01/08/2004 Brilliant fall sunset over Cayuga Lake in upstate New York. Photograph
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NSDL Resources - *Examples...*



ENC Features

- [Classroom Calendar](#)
- [Digital Dozen](#)
- [ENC Focus](#)
- [Lessons & Activities](#)
- [Ask ENC](#)

Web Links

Explore online lesson plans, student activities, and teacher learning tools.

Curriculum Resources

Find detailed information about thousands of materials for K-12 math and science.

Education Topics

- [Across the Curriculum](#)
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- [Equity and Diversity](#)
- [Family and Community](#)
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Technology in the Classroom

Educators share how they use technology, including graphing calculators, motion detectors, and software, in their classrooms.

[Beyond Point and Click: The Search for Gender Equity in Computer Games](#)

Computer games have the power to educate. What does a good game--for both boys and girls--look like?

[Handheld Technology: The Essential Ingredient in Teaching and Learning Mathematics](#)

by Terese Herrera

Handheld computers that can solve equations with the push of a button naturally raise questions about what and how we teach mathematics. This educator believes this technology may be the key to richer mathematics content.

[Learning in Motion](#)

by Kathleen D. Hogan

This first-grade teacher believes in trying the newest tools and techniques to engage her students and help them learn.

[Piloting the Navigator](#)

by Laura K. Brendon

Math teachers take new classroom technology for a test drive.

[The Shape of Things to Come](#)

This veteran teacher describes how she and a colleague used computer software to teach geometric reasoning to elementary students.

[T3-Teachers Teaching with Technology](#)

This web site offers resources and information about professional development courses to improve teachers' use of technology in the classroom.

[Technology Can Help You Meet the Standards](#)

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Title: [Respiratory System](#)

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Description: A macrophage rests on the alveolar wall. It is difficult to differentiate between type I pneumocytes....

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Title: [Respiratory System](#)

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Description: Fetal lung showing developing airways and alveoli....

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8.



Title: [Respiratory System](#)

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Description: A small number of alveolar macrophages is found in alveolar spaces of normal healthy lungs. They are....

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Title: [Respiratory System](#)

Description: Bronchus-associated lymphoid tissue in intermediate and

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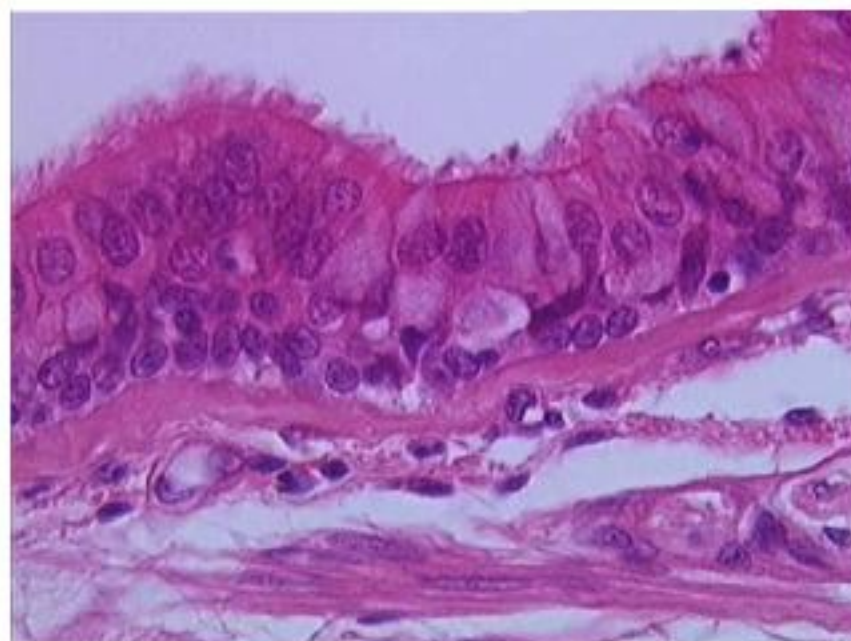


Title: [Respiratory System](#)

Description: This high power view shows the small bronchus. Remember t....

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http://www.healcentral.org/devcontent/collections/histology/82_40_1...



The Gorilla Skeleton



to select the bone in the gorilla body that you want to view in detail. Once you are able to investigate various aspects of the bone as well as compare the gorilla's features to those of the human and baboon.

Choose a bone to view (please choose only one):

Available



Thorax & Vertebrae



Hind Limb & Foot

Click on this button to launch the bone viewer:

Launch Bone Viewer



human
skeleton

baboon
skeleton

gorilla
skeleton

comparative
anatomy

QUICK PLACENAME SEARCH

Enter a simple, unqualified placename such as "Los Angeles".

[Advanced Placename Search](#)

CATALOG SEARCH

1. Constraints

If multiple constraints are specified, they should be...

- ☒ ANDed together
- ☐ ORed together

2. Collection to search

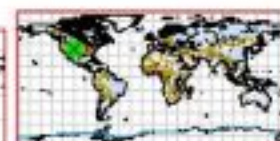
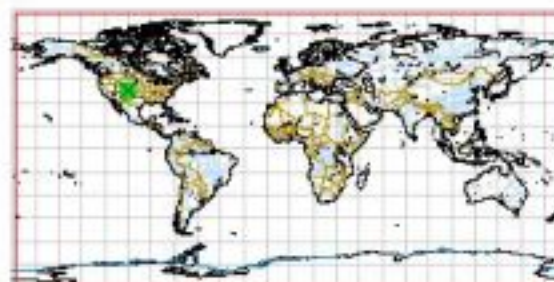
Browse the [selected collection](#) or [all collections](#).

• Geographic region

Use the map to the right to set the geographic extent of the search, or directly enter bounding coordinates below.

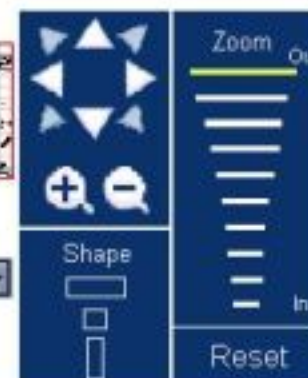
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Map Browser



Click map to:

Change location to:



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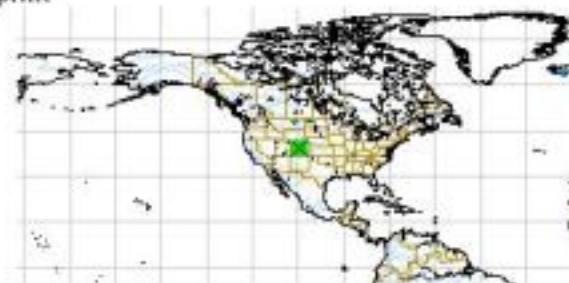
Geographic Name Copper Mountain Ski Area
Source ID BGN-USGS-1

2. Feature Type

ADL Feature Type sports facilities
Feature Type Scheme ADL Feature Type Thesaurus
Other Classification Term LOCALE
Classification Scheme GNIS Feature Classes

3. Spatial Reference

Geographic Location
Footprint



Geometry Type Bounding Box

West-bounding Coordinate W 106° 10' 10"

East-bounding Coordinate W 106° 09' 39"

North-bounding Coordinate N 39° 30' 01"

South-bounding Coordinate N 39° 29' 11"

Measurement Method The footprint was derived from the set of points provided by GNIS for this feature.

Measurement Accuracy The footprint does not necessarily represent the actual extent of the feature.

Atmospheric Oxygen



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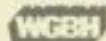
Most organisms have evolved to live in an environment that has a very specific set of conditions. Those creatures that breathe air, for example, have come to rely on that air containing about 21 percent oxygen. If this percentage were to change suddenly, most organisms would have difficulty coping with the new conditions. In this feature, adapted from *Interactive NOVA*: "Earth," see how important not only the presence but the precise amount of oxygen is to life on Earth.

Item No.: sci.life.oate.oxygen

Topics Covered: [Organisms and Their Environments](#)

Lesson Plan: [Effects of Environmental Change](#)

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Oxygen is critical to the process of cell energy. The oxygen even though most commonly referred to as lungs.

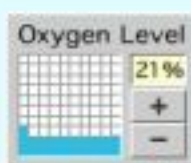
Some of the smallest directly through these cells by simple most concentrated environment consists

Many multicellular for example, respiratory oxygen directly through of cells, many of which that pump blood through then on to the inner

Despite its simplicity very limiting. For example which is why earth respiration also limits acquire enough oxygen total volume is quite than on the surface those internal cells

Atmospheric Oxygen

[Close window](#)



Help me find out. Click on the plus or minus button in the control panel to change the oxygen level. Then click on the truck, the corn plant, the cow, and me to see more about what happens to us.

OK

The irYdium Project

at Carnegie Mellon University

Funded by the National
Science Foundation.

<http://www.nsf.gov/>

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irYdium Chemistry Lab — Default Lab Setup

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Stockroom Explorer...

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 - Cresol Red
 - Methyl Orange
 - Methyl Red
 - Phenolphthalein
 - Solids
 - AgCl
 - Stock Solutions
 - 11.6M HCl
 - 14.6M H₃PO₄
 - 14.8M NH₃
 - 15.4M HNO₃
 - 15M HClO₄
 - 17.8M H₂SO₄
 - 19M NaOH
 - Strong-acids
 - 0.1M HCl

Phenolphthalein Indicator Solution

Workbench 1

10M H₂SO₄ 250 mL

AgCl

11.6M HCl

50mL Graduated Cylinder

10mL Pipet

500mL Erlenmeyer Flask

Phenolphthalein

Solution Info...

Name: Phenolphthalein
Volume: 100.0 mL

☒ Aqueous ☐ Solid ☐ Gas

log Molarity

Species	Molarity
H ⁺	1.014e-7
OH ⁻	9.957e-8
PhenolphthaleinH	1.990e-8
Phenolphthalein	1.826e-9

25.0°C

pH Meter

6.99

Transfer amount (mL): Pour from to

Tips

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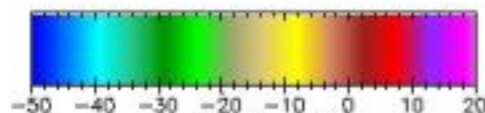
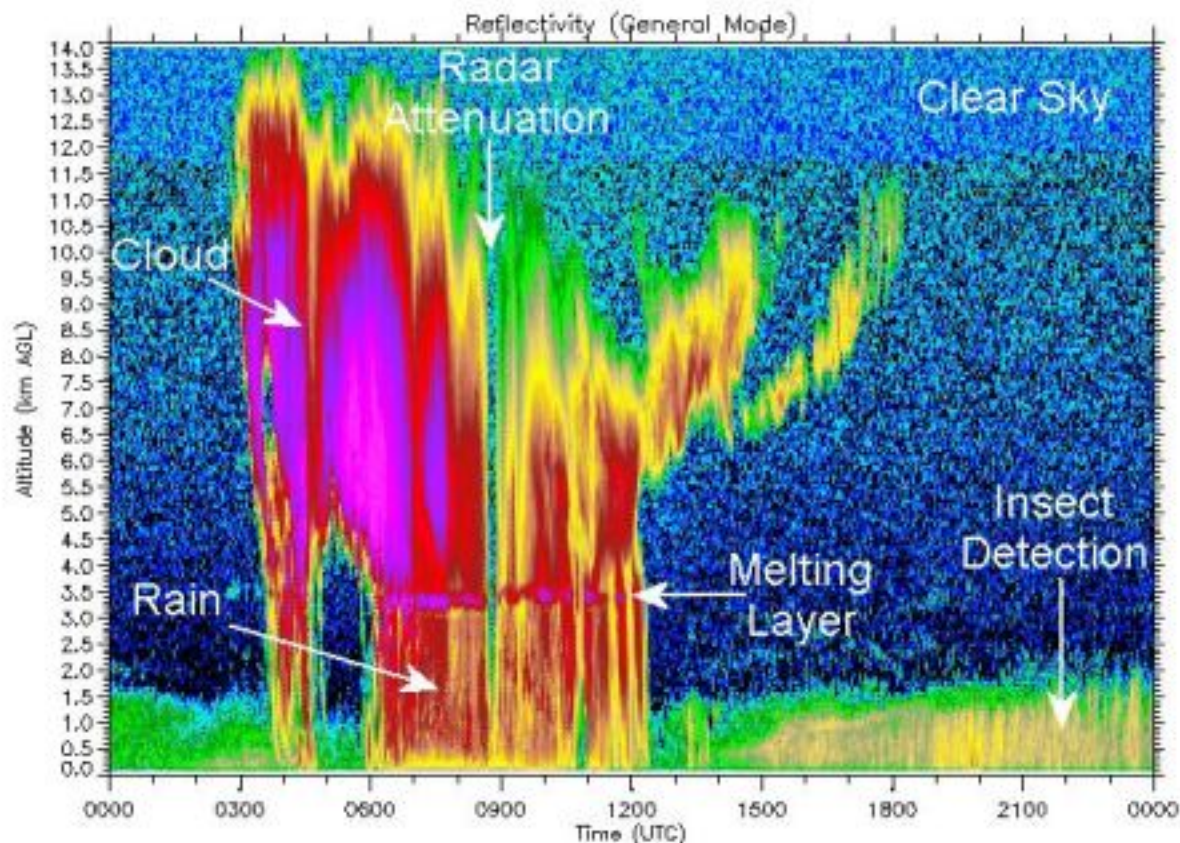
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- [sgpmmcmome](#)
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- [sgpmmcrC1.al](#)

• [mmcrcode.tar]

Example Image

MMCR Reflectivity Data
 21 Jun 2001



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What is a digital library?

Question:*What is a digital library?***Asked by:***Primary***Asked on:***Wednesday, August 28, 2002***Category:**[The NSDL: Use, Build, Join](#)**Question Purpose:***short answer***Audience:***Undergraduate*

Answer

Date: 8/28/2002 4:30:00 PM

User: Primary Administrator

A digital library is a coherent, organized collection of resources, usually accessible on the Web. These resources are more than a collection of online texts, and often represent artifacts that cannot be represented in print, such as large data sets. Digital libraries typically provide services such as search, browse, help and online community discussions. They may appear to be a single entity, but often link to other libraries or information services in an effort to present a unified view of a collection to the end user. Digital libraries often provide added value by supporting activities that brings together collections, services, and people in support of the full life cycle of creation, dissemination, use, and preservation of data, information, and knowledge.

A more formal definition:

digital library: "A managed environment of multimedia materials in digital form, designed for the benefit of its user population, structured to facilitate access to its contents, and equipped with aids to navigate the global network... with user and holding totally distributes, but managed as a coherent whole."

- Mel Collier, International Symposium on Research, Development, and Practice in Digital Libraries 1997

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ICON, or the **Innovation Curriculum Online Network**, is a central source for information dealing with technology and innovation, and serves as an electronic roadmap to connect users, such as teachers, professors, students, museum staff, and parents with information about the human built and innovated world.

ICON also provides a broad and deep collection of technological literacy resources for teachers and educators, digital resources informed by educational and digital library standards, necessary descriptors, metadata, and developmentally-appropriate content for technological literacy support. The collection is populated and classified according to the [Standards for Technological Literacy](#).

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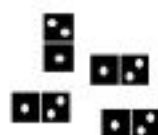
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General



Dominoes Activity



Student Page

Teacher Lesson Plan

★ Use Matt Wringe's [applet, Bricks Activity](#), to think about this problem. ★

Part I

In an introductory activity your group will receive the following materials:

1. [2 grid sheets](#) (one for each pair of students)
2. 30 dominoes (15 for each pair of students) or print and cut out these [paper dominoes](#)
3. Scissors (if necessary)
4. Recording sheet for discussion questions

Work in pairs within your group to

show if it is possible to cover the 6X5 grid with your dominoes.

Take the time given to thoroughly complete the task.

Compare answers with the other people in your group.

1. Did everyone have the same answer?
2. If yes, can you find more than one answer?
3. If no, how many possible answers there are?
4. Describe how the dominoes cover the grid.
5. How many dominoes did you use?

Use case scenarios

Contributed by the community (Posted 02/09/00)

These scenarios and an analysis of actual users' work practices were compiled into a set of [use cases](#) that are being used to drive the library's design.

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1. Oceanography linked to other disciplines, assessment

I am designing a network based course in oceanography. I have already created pedagogically strong materials in plate tectonics, but would like to see what specialists in climate and seawater chemistry research have created for their general education students. In particular, I would be looking for data rich, inquiry activities that students can complete about 6 hours. I want to evaluate these materials and may adopt, or adapt portions of them for my own students. I am interested in how students are assessed in these environments and would be looking for good machine-gradeable quiz questions, as well as activities that would be hand-graded. Wouldn't it be nice if an instructor could select from a bank of online gradeable homework, quiz, or study questions, have his/her class answer the selected questions online, and have a report of the results of the students' work mailed to the her/him in a database importable format, after a specific date?

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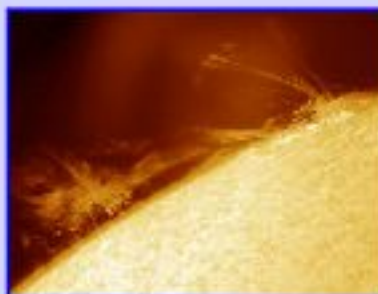
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- Saving your work for you in case you can't write on the computer you are using. *More about saving your work on the VTIE computer...*



Astronomy Picture of the Day,
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Description of VTIE

- Providing a **Glossary Tool** to help you understand astronomy vocabulary words. If you are searching the web for information about astronomy, and find a web page you like, cut and paste the web address into the Glossary Box on the right sidebar. The astronomy words will be highlighted, and you can run your mouse over them to see the definitions.
- It is a good idea to keep track of what you are doing when you are doing a science experiment. You can use the Lab Notebook to make

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Glossarize

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“From” View of Technology in Education

- Students learn “from” technology
- Knowledge is transmitted from the media to the student
- Learners passively receive messages
- Occasional and artificial interactions are sufficient
- “Experts” control instructional design
- Materials are thought to be best when they are “teacher proof”

“With” View of Technology in Education

- Students learn “with” technology
- Knowledge is constructed, represented, and shared by student
- Learners collaborate in research and problem solving
- Interaction is authentic
- Instructional design is shared among learners, teachers, and “experts”

Digital Libraries as Cognitive Tools

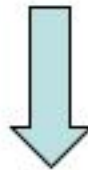
“Cognitive tools are any technologies that enhance thinking, problem solving, and learning”

- Thomas Reeves

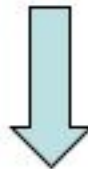
“A Model to Guide the Integration of the WWW as a Cognitive Tool in K-12 Education”

Model of Learning Environment Factors [adapted from Reeves]

Learning Conditions (Inputs)



Learning Processes



Learning Outcomes

Digital Libraries as Cognitive Tools

DLs can help address different learning conditions (inputs) :

- Aptitude and Individual Differences
(including learning styles, prior experiences, attitudes, disabilities)
- Cultural Habits of Mind
- Origin and Strength of Motivation

Digital Libraries as Cognitive Tools

DLs can facilitate learning processes by providing opportunities for:

- Constructing Learning
- Task Ownership
- Sense of Audience
- Access to Quality Resources
- Instructor Support
- Collaborative Support
- Metacognitive Support

Digital Libraries as Cognitive Tools

DLs can facilitate learning outcomes:

- Knowledge and Skills
- Robust Mental Models
- Higher Order Outcomes (curiosity, creativity, confidence, love of learning)

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