



WebQuests Categories: A Taxonomy of Tasks

- Retelling Task – Presentation Product
- Compilation Task – Compile several sources of information into one format.
- Mastery Task – Introduction in detective or puzzle format.
- Journalistic Task – Report on an event.
- Design Task – Create a product or plan of action that accomplishes a predetermined goal.
- Creative Product Task – Produce something in a given format
- Consensus building Task – Different view point are articulated and considered.
- Persuasion Task – develop a convincing case that is based on what you have learned.
- Self Knowledge Task – develop a greater understanding of one's self.
- Analytical Task – look closely at one or more thing and find similarities and differences to figure out cause & effect.
- Judgment Task – present several items in rank or rate them.
- Scientific Task – an internet activity that simulates a real science activity.



WebQuests for learning

Why WebQuest??

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Everything You Ever Wanted to Know about WebQuests

What is a WebQuest : Inquiry oriented activity in which some or all the information that the learner interacts with comes from resources on the internet.

Why is a WebQuest a good instructional strategy: Provides the opportunity for the learner to explore various sites in an attempt to complete an authentic task. Enables the learner the opportunity to extend or refine knowledge which leads to higher order thinking.

What educational goals can/does a WebQuest support

- Compare
- Classify
- Introduce
- Deduce
- Analyze errors
- Construct support
- Analyzing perspectives
- Higher ordered thinking



Introduction

Grabs attention while orienting learner to task about to unfold.



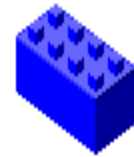
Task

A description of what the learner will produce by the end of the exercise



Process

suggests steps learners should go through in completing the task



Evaluation

The rubric is an authentic assessment tool which is particularly useful in assessing criteria which are complex and subjective.



Conclusion

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Teacher Page

Provides data needed for lesson plan.