

Great Expectations with LoTi

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Free Resources for Lesson Plans

MarcoPolo

Internet Content for the Classroom

One really good resource for lesson plans and other resources for lessons is the Marco Polo website. It is supported by a nonprofit consortium including the following:

- John F Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts,
- The National Council on Economic Education,
- The National Endowment for the Humanities,
- The National Council of Teachers of Mathematics,
- International Reading Association, the National Council of Teachers of English,
- The American Association for the Advancement Science, and
- The National Geographic Society.

In order to search for lesson go to

<http://www.marcopolo-education.org/> and click on the **Search** button in the upper right-hand corner. It looks like this.



SEARCH MARCOPOLO

When you are searching MarcoPolo's main search engine you are accessing all seven major websites simultaneously. You can search by specific subject areas, grade levels, and the type of resources that you are interested in finding. You can also use this page to Browse by Subject or to Browse by Keyword in case you are having trouble.

Other Free Resources
<http://www.lotilounge.com/>
<http://www97.intel.com/education/teach/index.htm>
<http://school.discovery.com/schrockguide/>
<http://www.glef.org/>

Free Storage of Bookmarks Online

Solving two problems with one tool is always a good idea for busy teachers. The website www.ikeepbookmarks.com is just such a tool. This is a free website that allows teachers to store their bookmarks to frequently-used websites. Since the storage is online, users can log in anytime and anywhere to change a link, add a link, or remove a link that is no longer working. This enables teachers to log in at school or at home to change their links.

Ways to use this site:

First it allows teachers to have a backup version of the links they are saving so that if their computer goes

down, they don't lose those precious links.

Second it allows teachers to make lists of links that their students can use. There is nothing worse than giving students a link to go to that becomes something inappropriate just because the student makes a typographical or spelling error. By listing the websites for their use in one place, students save time and have a higher likelihood of being on task.

To use this site go to:

www.ikeepbookmarks.com

Click on New Account at the top.

Fill out the information required.

Keep in mind that the account name is what will be part of your web address. It is a good idea to make it one word and something easy to spell. It asks for you to fill out information about yourself. Please remember that only the items marked by a red star are actually required.

Some example sites for teachers can be found at the following:

<http://ww2.ikeepbookmarks.com/>

lotischools

<http://www.ikeepbookmarks.com/>

midtown