**WEBSITES**

[**www.rensselaerschools.org**](http://www.rensselaerschools.org)

**FREE SITE TO CONVERT PDF FILES TO WORD**

<http://www.pdfonline.com/pdf-to-word-converter/>

**THEMATIC UNITS**

<http://www.carolhurst.com/subjects/subjects.html>

books by theme for primary students

<http://www.ehow.com/info_7875606_common-themes-young-adult-literature.html>

discussion of themes in adolescent literature

<http://www.dltk-teach.com/fables/index.htm>

Stories

<http://www.discoveryeducation.com/featured-programs/index.cfm?campaign=flyout_teachers_programs>

Do NOT click on your grade level. You’ll get ads you can’t get out of.

Under the Teachers tab, check out the Lesson Plans. All Lesson Plans have short videos that can be downloaded

<http://www.lessonplanspage.com/la-htm/>

free ideas for lesson plans and units

<http://www.lessonplanet.com/search?keywords=thematic+unit&media=lesson&gclid=CLvNkM2t9a0CFQQBQAoduW9Urw#/af-grade_ids-250>

free 10-day trial, then membership

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

K-4 lesson plans organized by themes. Need to purchase e-books

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

Thematic units for a membership cost. Small charge to download all units. Other activities are free. Elementary level.

**IDIOMS**

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

a more colorful version

<http://a4esl.org/q/h/idioms.html>

a self-quiz to see how well students understand idioms

<http://www.readwritethink.org/classroom-resources/lesson-plans/figurative-language-teaching-idioms-254.html?tab=4>

lesson plan for teaching idioms – Check out Eye on Idioms

<http://dictionary.reference.com/browse/horses>

includes definitions of key words, parts of speech and idiomatic uses

<http://www.usingenglish.com/reference/idioms/>

dictionary of idioms

<http://www.ecenglish.com/learnenglish/subject/idioms>

ELL idiom website

**CLIP ART AND IMAGES**

<http://etc.usf.edu/clipart/index.htm>

Florida Department of Education site

<http://school.discoveryeducation.com/clipart>

**RECIPROCAL TEACHING**

<http://www.teacher2teacherhelp.com/reading-strategies/free-downloadable-reciprocal-teaching-resources/>

<http://www.readingrockets.org/strategies/reciprocal_teaching>

<http://literacymalden.wikispaces.com/ReciprocalTeaching>

<http://printablereadinggames.com/room4/recip/index.htm>

printable cards to use as prompts during reciprocal teaching

scroll down to prompt cards

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8oXskcnb4RA>

demonstration of reciprocal teaching

**TEXT STRUCTURE**

http://[www.fcrr.org/curriculum/PDF/G2-3/2-3Comp\_1.pdf](http://www.fcrr.org/curriculum/PDF/G2-3/2-3Comp_1.pdf)

graphic organizers for different text structures

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

text structure and much more

<http://www.literacyleader.com/sites/default/files/Text%20Structure%20GCHS.ppt.pdf>

Power Point that clearly explains text structure; Poster; Graphic Organizers and text features

**CLOSED CAPTIONS**

<http://www.dcmp.org/login>

register and you can check out movies with closed captions

<http://www.edutube.org/additional-info/has-subtitles-english>

educational videos with subtitles

**SCRIPTS**

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

scripts of plays, movies and television shows

<http://www.imsdb.com/genre/Family>

movie scripts

[http://teachingheart.net/readerstheater.htm](http://www.teachingheart.net/readerstheater.htm)

K-3 classroom site

**PICTURE DICTIONARIES**

<http://exhibits.museum.state.il.us/exhibits/athome/index.html>

household objects from the 1700’s to present - and more

<http://www.pics4learning.com/>

Guaranteed student-friendly

[http://www.wdl.org](http://www.wdl.org/)

World Digital Library

[http://www.authentichistory.com](http://www.authentichistory.com/)

Pictures of different eras

<http://images.google.com/>

Need to monitor student activity

**ROOT WORDS, PREFIXES AND SUFFIXES**

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

this is a good site – check out the games

<http://www.ehow.com/how_4602032_latin-root-words-magic-spells.html>

the Harry Potter site Emily Iland references – rather bland to my taste

<http://www.brownwoodisd.org/Page/1685>

teaching Greek and Latin roots with games

**HOMOGRAPH GAMES**

<http://www.quia.com/cb/8285.html>

Elementary and middle school

<http://www.ezschool.com/Games/Homographs.html>

Elementary level

<http://www.fcrr.org/curriculum/pdf/g4-5/45vpartone.pdf>

Synonym, Antonym, Homograph & Homophone activities for elementary students

**GENERAL SITES**

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

<http://www.paulakluth.com/readings/>

Paula Kluth website

[www.socialthinking.com/home](http://www.socialthinking.com/home) Michelle Garcia Winner website

<http://spectrumu.wordpress.com/> Blog about colleges for students with ASD

**EVIDENCED BASED PRACTICE & INSTRUCTION**

<http://ies.ed.gov/ncee/wwc/>What works clearinghouse website

[www.evidencebasedprograms.org](http://www.evidencebasedprograms.org) Social Programs that work

<http://cecp.air.org> Center for Effective Collaboration and Practice