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BJB2: if you are new to Tapped In, a reminder to go to the Actions menu in the top right of your chat and select DETACH

BJB2: and we usually start all discussions with introductions. You want to do that, Roger?

RogerMG: Excuse me, my cat is insisting on laying her head on the keyboard . . .

BJB2 . o O (hit the cat with the mouse?)

LauraMC must be a cat thing

RogerMG: It used to be whenever I was writing things, she had to lie in the middle of my work.

LauraMC: She just wants attention! =)

VeronicaL: oh yeah..

BJB2 loves cats, but they are hard to type around

RogerMG: OK . . .introductions please: I am a professor in a small university in CA.

GeorgeK: I teach management at Lewis University, just outside Chicago.

MarlaW: I provide teacher training and support for schools in Philly

MarlaW: But I live on Buffalo!

VeronicaL: I'm student-teacher (UH)

GeorgeK: I grew up in Philly.

LauraMC: I am student teaching and will graduate in May... I am hoping to get some ideas to use in my classroom

LauraMC: I grew up in Pittsburgh!

LauraMC waves to Veronica - Go Coogs!

BJB2: I'm a retired communication and art teacher nw of Harrisburg, PA

VeronicaL: I'm from Mexico... working on a bilingual degree

RogerMG: Question for Laura and Veronica . . .are you undergrad or grad students.

LauraMC: undergrad

VeronicaL: undergrad

RogerMG: Veronica is at University of Houston?

VeronicaL: yes,,

LauraMC: I attend the University of Houston as well

RogerMG: And Laura?

LauraMC: I have made my rounds from Pittsburgh to Texas, but I am finishing up at UH also

RogerMG: IC. Tell us about your work online in teacher prep. at the UH please.

RogerMG: How many courses . . .

RogerMG: What's the focus?

GeorgeK: and is on-line included as part of the practicum?

VeronicaL: well I took 2 courses prior to the one I'm taken right now....they focus on the use of technology in the classroom

VeronicaL: Yes...

LauraMC: I took one course at the University of North Texas when I attended there for 2 years, and this is my 1st course at UH

MarlaW: Wow, my grad degree in tech focused on the finer points of PPT

RogerMG: What were the two courses Veronica? And, how were they taught?

LauraMC: I have taken other on-line courses, but they were not "technology-focused". They were just normal courses offered online

VeronicaL: well one introduces students (like me) to the newest technology/software available.

RogerMG: How were those courses taught Laura . . .what sorts of activities were required online?

RogerMG: Do you recall any of the software they introduced Veronica?

VeronicaL: Kidspiration was one of them.

RogerMG: ic

SusanR joined the room.

RogerMG: Hi Susan.

SusanR waves and listens

RogerMG: Welcome

LauraMC: We used Blackboard at the University of North Texas (UNT) - discussion boards - posting and responding to others, submitting assignments

RogerMG: ic

RogerMG: What is an occasional teacher Susan?

SusanR: A fancy name for a sub

RogerMG: ic

SusanR: also called a guest teacher

RogerMG: of

SusanR: here in Ontario

RogerMG: in Canada

SusanR nods

RogerMG: Which we pronounce out here in California Kanyada

RogerMG: Question for Laura and Veronica and anyone else: Have any of you used and Web 2.0 tools?

VeronicaL: No

LauraMC: No sir

RogerMG: I know George has.

RogerMG: Maria?

GeorgeK: only by accident if I have

RogerMG: Susan?

RogerMG: (By the way, did everyone Detach the chat?)

VeronicaL: yes...I did

GeorgeK: yes

LauraMC nods

BJB2: Roger, there have been numerous discussions in Tapped In about Web 2.0 tools...Susan's K-3 Resources group included

BJB2: and there is a Web 2.0 Tools for Schools group that meets the third Thursday of each month

SusanR: Yes, I try to feature at least one web 2.0 tool in my discussions

VeronicaL: do you know what times?

RogerMG: could you list the tools you feature Susan?

SusanR: I featured recently..hmmm

SusanR: wordle and classtool

RogerMG: ok

SusanR: <http://www.wordle.net/>

SusanR: and

LauraMC: So correct me if I am wrong, Web 2.0 tools are all online and NOT software you load onto your computer, correct?

SusanR: I am planning to feature wild earth TV next month

RogerMG: Yes Laura.

LauraMC: Thank you

RogerMG: So: some tools are wikis, blogs, social networking software, etc.

BJB2: and all are interactive

LauraMC: Very neat

VeronicaL: oh..then I have used them. at least the wikis

GeorgeK: I have used some, then, just don't call them by proper name

LauraMC: is the wikis a blog type of tool?

VeronicaL: I also have 2 blog pages. I did this as part of one of my technology courses

LauraMC: Veronica, are you referring to blogspot.com? for Quest 2?

VeronicaL: Not really..but its a great way for a group to communicate. I used it in Quest 2

LauraMC: ok yes. I know what it is then. Good old Quest 2

VeronicaL: No..the wiki was set up by the district supervisor...not by Dr. Pierson

LauraMC: Oh, okay

RogerMG: How is the wiki used Veronica?

RogerMG: What is its purpose?

SusanR: Can we see your blog pages, Veronica?

VeronicaL: It just like a web page but only it's private. you get to post messages and sign in and out...

VeronicaL: sure..I'll post the links in a minute...but they're not updated...

RogerMG: So. Veronica, the wiki is used for basic communications. Not for 'doing' assignments.

GeorgeK: I use wikis as a kind of "moving target" essay exam

VeronicaL: both...you can also submit assignments and here's my teaching blog
<http://veronicamlopez.edublogs.org/>

RogerMG: Thank you Veronica. Laura, Do you use a wiki too?

LauraMC: I have a personal blog where we were required to keep track of certain things - I am looking at Veronica's, and I think it was for the same class. I used blogspot.com though

LauraMC: <http://lauraciocca3202-3112.blogspot.com/>

LauraMC: We were required to blog/reflect about certain things that we did during our first semester of student teaching

RogerMG: Yes blogspot.com is a good way to set up a blog, and you can make it private.

VeronicaL: I no longer have access to the wiki site since I'm no longer a Quest 2 student..so I'd guess your membership can be terminated by the creator...

LauraMC: Yeah, Mine was terminated as well.

RogerMG: Well . . .Veronica, Laura, you can set up a free wiki at <http://pbwiki.com/>

RogerMG: All your own . . .just like the one you no longer have access to.

VeronicaL: well..thank you for the information

LauraMC: Oh, okay. Thank you

RogerMG: There are also a number of other free wiki sites out there . . .you can find them using a search engine.

LauraMC: I have a question... not sure if it is off-topic

RogerMG: Go ahead Laura.

LauraMC: Does anyone know any interactive "teaching tool" websites that can be used in an elementary classroom?

LauraMC: I know it is not a "teacher prep" question... maybe someone can direct me in finding a Room that discusses this topic

SusanR: the student interactives at http://www.readwritethink.org/student_mat/index.asp is a good starting point

GeorgeK: by accident, I came upon a version of the Pascal Triangle designed for use in helping grade schoolers with mult. and division.

LauraMC: Wonderful. Thank you so much

VeronicaL: Thank you..I think this information is going to help me as well

RogerMG: Thank you Susan.

GeorgeK: If interested send your email address to me at klemic2@comcast.net and I'll find it for you.

LauraMC: If it's not a burden, I would appreciate it. Thank you George

VeronicaL: Thank you, I'll do that

MarlaW: Check out the National Library of Virtual Manipulatives at <http://nlvm.usu.edu/>

SusanR: I believe I did a session on interactives ..check the archived transcripts

LauraMC: Great. You all have been such a help! I can't wait to check these sites out

MarlaW: Interactivate is good too - <http://www.shodor.org/interactivate/>

SusanR: <http://www.learner.org/interactives/>

VeronicaL: Everything sounds very interesting..thank you all for the information

MarlaW: Literacy Center - letter and number recognition in several languages - <http://www.literacycenter.net>

MarlaW: languages, I mean

RogerMG: Veronica and Laura. Are you attending the TI sessions as part of an assignment?

VeronicaL: Yes

LauraMC: We are required to participate in Tips and Tricks, as well as 2 other sessions.

RogerMG: And you have to report back what you discovered?

VeronicaL: Yes..

LauraMC: yes. We submit the transcript from this conversation as well as a paper with

our findings

RogerMG: Well, you should be able to use the links you have gotten from people here . . .and of course, the transcript.

RogerMG: Neat!

LauraMC: Definitely. I am checking out the links now - I'm that excited!

LauraMC: Thank you so much everyone

VeronicaL: This is really helpful..

SusanR . o O (my session is on the 2nd Tuesday of the month)

RogerMG: Do you think you will continue to participate in TI once you are 'out in the field', teaching?

LauraMC nods to Susan. Great to know!

VeronicaL: Yes..I love it!

LauraMC: I plan to. This is my first chat and you all have been so informative

BJB2: Tapped In is a community of practice, Laura....collaboration among members is one of its greatest strengths

RogerMG: You have been great participants too . . .it isn't a one way street by any imagination.

BJB2: Thanks, Roger, for leading this discussion!

BJB2 agrees with Roger

LauraMC: Collaboration is leads to amazing things as I am finding out in the Teacher World!

MarlaW: Thanks all! Have a great evening!

VeronicaL: Yes, it's amazing

LauraMC: excuse my poor language. That is what happens when you try to say two things at once and combine thoughts. My apologies

BJB2: Roger is leading the Faculty Resistance to Online Learning at the hour.

RogerMG: Thank you all. I'm grateful for your input to this discussion.

GeorgeK: Thanks all.

BJB2: You are all welcome to participate. There will be an announcement at the hour on how to do that

VeronicaL: No, thank you for all help and support...

SusanR: Thanks Roger

LauraMC: Thank you so much Roger, and everyone else for all your input =)

LauraMC: It is greatly appreciated

LauraMC: You all have a great evening!