



Students love learning on the Internet. Why? Because they are more engaged and comfortable learning online than by reading traditional textbooks. Most schools these days have Internet access, but how often is it effectively incorporated into classroom instruction? Beyond Books' online courses help teachers turn student interest into productive classroom learning experiences.



Beyond Books is an Internet-based source of supplementary educational content that parallels, expands on, and deepens standards-based curricula for middle- and high-school students. Award-winning teachers and discipline experts write curricular content expressly for the Internet. That content is then connected to thousands of links on the World Wide Web that review, expand on, or allow students to apply what they've learned from Beyond Books.

In this new kind of interactive textbook, students can listen to audio clips of politicians and poets, participate in polls, apply scientific principals, grapple with educational games and puzzles, create charts, manipulate maps, take quizzes, answer study questions, and send in assignments to their own online portfolio. These assignments are then checked by the teacher and returned to the student — all online.

Students find the Beyond Books content, activities, and links so engaging that they pay closer attention while studying, spend more time on task, and are excited to learn even more.

What About the Teachers?

Beyond Books is not a replacement for classroom teachers. With rich online content, learning exercises, and teaching tools, educators can easily adapt their lesson plans to take advantage of classroom computing power and prepare students for the technical realities of the 21st-century workplace.

The website has a teacher-only area that provides educators with unique lesson plans, teaching strategies, and standards correlations that help teachers easily incorporate Beyond Books into their existing curriculum. Multiple explorations of each topic help educators efficiently respond to individual needs and learning styles.



Using Beyond Books, teachers spend their time interacting with their students and encouraging the learning process rather than using valuable time searching out relevant Internet links for their lesson plans. Beyond Books scours the Internet for the best educational sites available. We provide only those that meet our strict evaluation criteria for accuracy, appropriateness, safety, and educational value. Our links are also monitored around-the-clock for liveness.

Accessing Beyond Books

Beyond Books is a subscription service. Students are given a user name and password and can access the site not only from the classroom, but the computer lab, library, media center, or home — anywhere there is Internet connectivity. This makes Beyond Books a great resource for doing homework, research, or projects. Student no longer necessarily have to heave home heavy textbooks — much of the information they need is available using Beyond Books' resources.

Don't Just Take Our Word For It

Beyond Books' unique and engaging way of delivering curriculum has earned it Curriculum Administrator Magazine's Diamond Award for "Best General/ Interdisciplinary Curriculum Web Site."

And here is a recent sampling of quotes from engaged and motivated parents, students, and teachers:

My daughter just loves Beyond Books. Thank you!
 —J.R., Minneapolis Public Schools

I just checked out the Life Science category. I have looked at many sites and I must say I am very happy my school has subscribed to your program!
 —D.M. Archbishop Ryan High School

I think this site is the greatest ever!! I love you guys. Really, I go to this site all the time. I have it bookmarked as my homepage. It's so cool. I love history and essays.
 —Q.A., individual subscriber

This has been an awesome experience for students and teacher alike!
 —M.J. Teacher at South Miami Middle School

Why don't all teachers put their class assignments on Beyond Books?
 —D.V. Pinellas County School District

See for yourself what has parents, students, teachers, and school administrators so excited! We know, as parents, you want to encourage your children throughout their education. One of the best ways to do this is to get yourself acquainted with what your child is studying; please accept our invitation to view Beyond Books by following the instructions in the Quick-Start Guide available from beyondbooks.com/bb/about_what.is.asp or ask your child to give you a tour.