

RESOURCES for Advanced Learning & Extensions

<http://www.mensaforkids.org/>

1. MENSA FOR KIDS

Mensa is the largest and oldest high IQ society in the world. It is a non-profit organization open to people who score at the 98th percentile or higher on a standardized, supervised IQ or other approved intelligence test.

<http://www.lumosity.com/train/current/1/start>

2. LUMOSITY is an online brain training and neuroscience research company based in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Lumosity offers a brain training program consisting of more than 40 games in the areas of memory, attention, flexibility, speed of processing, and problem solving.

<https://www.newsela.com/>

3. NEWSELA is an innovative way to build reading comprehension with nonfiction that's always relevant: daily news. It's easy and amazing. Register now to see the impact **Newsela** can have on your classroom. **Newsela** is free for students to explore a world of nonfiction and test their comprehension. (Excellent as a reading differentiation tool!)

<http://www.rinkworks.com/brainfood/p/latreal1.shtml>

4. LATERAL THINKING is solving problems through an indirect and creative approach, using reasoning that is not immediately obvious and involving ideas that may not be obtainable by using only traditional step-by-step logic. The term was coined in 1967 by Edward de Bono.

<http://www.destinationimagination.org/>

5. DESTINATION IMAGINATION (DI) is a non-profit, volunteer-led, cause-driven organization. Our purpose is to inspire and equip students to become the next generation of innovators and leaders. Annually, we offer seven new standards-based Challenges in STEM, Improv, Visual Arts, Service Learning, and Early Learning.

<http://waetag.weebly.com/joining-waetag.html>

6. The Washington Association of Educators of the Talented & Gifted (WAETAG) is a non-profit organization which supports the education of gifted and talented persons through an annual conference for professionals and with a web site and newsletter filled with resources relevant to gifted youth and educators.

<http://www.sengifted.org/>

7. SENG is a nationwide nonprofit organization with a mission to "empower families and communities to guide gifted and talented individuals to reach their goals: intellectually, physically, emotionally, socially, and spiritually."

<http://prodigynw.org/>

8. PRODIGY NORTHWEST provides students, parents and educators access and awareness to a broad assortment of learning topics relating to giftedness in youth.

<http://www.nwgca.org/>

9. Northwest Gifted Child Association (NWGCA) is a statewide, nonprofit organization of people with an interest in meeting the special needs of highly capable children.

<http://quizlet.com/help/what-is-quizlet>

10. QUIZLET is a free website providing learning tools for students, including flashcards, study and game modes. It was created by high school sophomore [Andrew Sutherland](#) in 2005 and now contains over 30 million study sets. All of the material is user-generated.

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

11. STUDY LADDER online English literacy & Mathematics. Kids activity games, worksheets and lesson plans. The Ultimate Learning Tool! Access the same curriculum based activities that teachers use in the classroom.

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

12. IXL Learning is an educational technology company like no other. We develop dramatically innovative, first-of-their-kind products. Our **IXL** product sets a new standard for math and language arts practice.

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

13. MOBY MAX is for all students. **Moby's** adaptive curriculum creates a unique, individualized education plan for each student, allowing gifted students to progress as quickly as they like while simultaneously ensuring that remedial students get the extra instruction they need.

<http://thehawnfoundation.org/mindup/>

14. MindUP™ teaches social and emotional learning skills that link cognitive neuroscience, positive psychology and mindful awareness training utilizing a brain centric approach. Literacy class explores couplets using MindUP and neuroscience as a subject.

MindUP™ is a research-based training program for educators and children. This program is composed of 15 lessons based in neuroscience. Students learn to self-regulate behavior and mindfully engage in focused concentration required for academic success. MindUP™ lessons align with all state standards including Common Core and support improved academic performance while enhancing perspective taking, empathy and kindness as well as fostering complex problem solving skills.

<https://www.khanacademy.org/about>

15. KHAN ACADEMY

All of the site's resources are available to anyone. It doesn't matter if you are a student, teacher, home-schooler, principal, adult returning to the classroom after 20 years, or a friendly alien just trying to get a leg up in earthly biology. Khan Academy's materials and resources are available to you completely free of charge.

<http://www.riverofwords.org/history.html>

16. RIVER OF WORDS...seeing nature as a means to inspire art and poetry. Every year, in affiliation with the Library of Congress Center for the Book, River of Words sponsors a **free international poetry and art contest** on the theme of watersheds. The contest is open to students ages 5 through 19 anywhere in the world. Deaf students may submit poems in American Sign Language on DVDs. Entries are accepted throughout the year. (Enter now!)