



Google Page Creator *in the Classroom*

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Get the tool: <http://pages.google.com>

Google Page Creator

What is it?

Google Page Creator is a free tool that allows anyone to easily create and instantly web pages without knowing any programming. There's no software to download. Everything is done using simple web-based tools. Pages can include images, links and more.

Why use it?

Students can use Google Page Creator to:

- Create pages to share what they've learned.
- Organize and publish their personal portfolio.
- Create personal pages to share with their family and friends.

Teachers can use Google Page Creator to:

- Publish class handouts online for students and parents.
- Post annotated links as part of a WebQuest.
- Publish student work to share with the community.
- Create a curriculum library for other teachers.
- Publish an entire school website.

Instructional Ideas

Elementary. Create an online photo tour of a field trip. Students write (or dictate) captions for each photo and then “re-tell” the adventure by taking their parents and relatives on a tour of the website.

Middle School. Students create websites introducing tourists to a fictional country, detailing the climate & landscape, culture & history, important exports, and the form of government. Each section can be illustrated with pictures from CreativeCommons.org.

High School. Science students publish lab reports online include images from their experiments and links to other relevant scientific experiments. Parents are asked to view the pages at home and provide feedback.



Expert Tip



With the click of a button, you can add maps, calendars, photo albums, news headlines, and more to your website. Just click on the “add gadget” link in the lower right corner to add dynamic content to any page!

Google Page Creator in Action

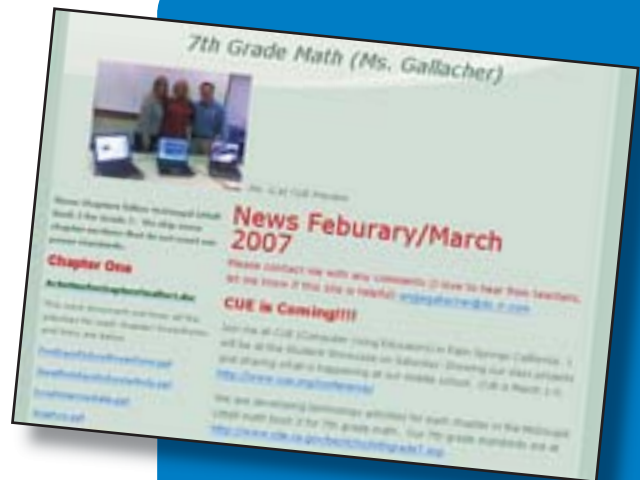
Project: Class Website

Grade/Subject: 7th Grade Math

School: James Workman Middle School, CA

URL: <http://angiegallacher.googlepages.com/>

This middle school math teacher uses Google Page Creator to publish instructional resources for her 7th grade math classes. She posts appropriate web links as well as presentations that map directly to each chapter in the textbook. She even has some brief instructional videos! She also uses the website to post classroom news and images of her students at work. The website serves as an active resource for her students, parents, and her colleagues, proving that you don't need to be a programmer or designer to produce meaningful content.



Additional Resources

K-12 Education Websites Produced with Page Creator

Cabot Public School District
<http://cabotcia.googlepages.com/>

South Salem H.S. Music Boosters
<http://dodimcdonald.googlepages.com/>

Valerio's Teacher Page
<http://valerio10.googlepages.com/>

Sweet Home Band Department
<http://sweethomebands.googlepages.com/>

Complimentary Tools

Get FREE images from Creative Commons
<http://search.creativecommons.org/>

Add "wikis" for greater collaboration
<http://www.wikispaces.com>

Get an email list with Google Groups
<http://groups.google.com>

Add a calendar to your page as a "widget"
<http://calendar.google.com>