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BJB2: good job, Annetta!

AnnettaE: thanks:)

BJB2: as you can see, it's a rather small crowd today

BJB2: but that will allow you to ask questions

AnnettaE: yes, I see

BJB2: and become a little more familiar with the interface

AnnettaE: yes

BJB2: the first thing I'm going to suggest you do is go to the ACTIONS menu in the top right of the chat window

BJB2: and click on DETACH

BJB2: that will make your chat window larger and easier to follow

BJB2 . o O (the chat scrolls very quickly when there are a lot of people in a discussion)

AnnettaE: yes, it worked

BJB2: most of the discussions start with brief introductions

BJB2: where you tell us where you are located and what you teach

BJB2: I'm an art teacher in Pennsylvania

BJB2 . o O (I'm also the leader of this discussion)

AnnettaE: I teach at Rosepine High School

BJB2: state?

AnnettaE: LA

BJB2: thanks. What do you teach, Annetta?

AnnettaE: science

AnnettaE: earth and 3 home ec. classes

BJB2: cool...then what I'm presenting should have some relevance for you...might even touch on home ec

AnnettaE: that would be good

BJB2: I present an arts and literacy discussion each month...

BJB2: with the purpose of helping teachers integrate the arts across the curriculum

BJB2: tonight's topic is science, so, hopefully, together we can come up with some ways for you to integrate the arts into your classes

AnnettaE: yes

BJB2: do you use any arts in your classes now, Annetta?

AnnettaE: a little

BJB2: let's take a look at a site and see if you can see any uses for increasing literacy and

AnnettaE: thank you.

AnnettaE: I will

BJB2: this site is the Eye of Science and was featured on one of the Scout Reports

BJB2: http://www.eyeofscience.de/eos2/index2.html

BJB2: hold down the ctrl key on your keyboard when you click on the url

SusanR joined the room.

SusanR waves

AnnettaE: I am it is not working I will go in a new window

BJB2 waves hi to Sue. We're looking at http://www.eyeofscience.de/eos2/index2.html

BJB2: make sure you don't have another window minimized, Annetta

JeffC joined the room.

BJB2 waves to Jeff

AnnettaE: ok

JeffC waves

AnnettaE: I am at the site

BJB2: since we only have 15 minutes left before the next discussion, Annetta, I'm going to move rather quickly so you have all the sites in your transcript

AnnettaE: ok

SusanR listens quietly

BJB2: the next site is science and inventions and might make a good writing assignment

BJB2: http://www.makingthemodernworld.org.uk/

BJB2 . o O (research)

BJB2: as you look at the inventions, you might want to explain that artists designed how the machine or instrument looks

BJB2: your home ec kids will like the next one...Paper Plate science

BJB2: http://analyzer.depaul.edu/paperplate/

BJB2: if you scroll down to Activities/elementary level

BJB2: http://analyzer.depaul.edu/paperplate/Bad%20Moons%20Rising.htm

BJB2: you can connect literature to science

JeffC remembers to steal these sites for the next Science Forum meeting.

BJB2: help yourself, Jeff

AnnettaE: this site is great

BJB2: biomes are always interesting...biomes of the world http://mbgnet.mobot.org/

BJB2: what about going to www.artsconnected.org and creating a museum collection to show paintings with specific biomes in them

BJB2: if you're studying flight, this is a fun site http://www.desktopaero.com/adw/welcome.html

BJB2: Amusement Park Activities has K-8 activities

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BJB2: http://www.eduplace.com/monthlytheme/july/parks activities.html

BJB2: Hang on, Annetta...almost done

BJB2: you might try field trips...take a look at http://www.field-trips.org/trips.htm

BJB2: you could take a 'trip' and then have teams or small groups create a travel brochure

AnnettaE: yes, very useful in science

BJB2: one last suggestion...WebQuests. Are you familiar with these, Annetta?

AnnettaE: yes I am

BJB2: Bernie Dodge has the best of the best at http://www.webquest.org/

EmilyW joined the room.

BJB2: look at his top webquests in science

BJB2 . o O (also K-12)

BJB2: whew! That leaves us a few minutes for discussion, Annetta

BJB2: have you gotten any ideas from this whirlwind presentation?

AnnettaE: these sites offer great resources for teachers

AnnettaE: yes

AnnettaE: I wish I would of Tapped In earlier

BJB2: I hope that it's more than just a bunch of sites...that they give you ideas to increase your use of arts and literacy in your curriculum

BJB2: the next discussion should be a little better paced, Annetta.

BJB2: it's a discussion on Trackstar

AnnettaE: I will hopefully have my skills down

AnnettaE: oh I just did one for a class

BJB2: that event will take place in the Hot Tub