

Title of Session: A K-12 Teacher Wiki - WikiWizard

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MichaelM: I changed the demo page and added some information. Hopefully, I will not have to type as much in the chat.

BJB2: great. Do you have a link to the demo page on the welcome screen in this group room?

MichaelM: Yes. It is in the whiteboard

<http://helpingstudents.org/JSPWiki/Wiki.jsp?page=Demo>

MichaelM: Welcome Dominic

DominicS: hello

BJB2: Dominic, we'll start the discussion in about 10 minutes...

DominicS: okay

BJB2: you get to get a seat right up front!

MichaelM: Thank you. I hope to learn and refine the demo page

DominicS: thank you.

MichaelM: Dominic, if you do not yet have a login, please feel free to use Teacher1. The password will be pass for everyone. There is a link to login in featured items.

DavidWe joined the room.

DavidWe: Hi, Michael

DavidWe: Michael, I wanted to come to the beginning of your discussion, but I'm going to be taking off in a few minutes

DominicS: I have a wikispace account, is it the same thing?

BJB2: no, Dominic

MichaelM: It is a Wiki designed for schools and teachers

DavidWe: A wikispace account, I believe, allows you to have a wiki

DominicS: okay.

BJB2: . o O (but not Michael's wiki)

DavidWe: You can put links in a your wikispace to all sorts of things (Tapped In, a podcast, etc.)

MichaelM: Similar, but in my opinion offers more functions

MichaelM: You can do the same with this Wiki

MichaelM: If we are ready to start, let's begin with intros

MichaelM: My name is Michael Misovec. I am the founder of Helping Students Education Corp at helpingstudents.org/jspwiki

MichaelM: <http://helpingstudents.org/JSPWiki/Login.jsp>

DominicS: I have it now, just a little slow tonight;)

MichaelM: Please let me know when everyone is logged in. We will begin by looking at <http://helpingstudents.org/JSPWiki/Wiki.jsp?page=Demo>

MichaelM: after everyone is logged in

DominicS: I am in

MichaelM: Great. Change the editor from plain to WikiWizard

MichaelM: You have to click Edit page to see the editor. Sorry

BJB2: thanks...I was looking too!

JeffC: we need logins and passwords to edit

MichaelM: Use Teacher 2

MichaelM: The password is pass

JeffC: all of us?

DominicS: I used the teacher 1 log in...

MichaelM: I believe Dominic is using Teacher1

DominicS: is that okay?

MichaelM: Yes

MichaelM: BJB you can use your own or use Teacher3 and pass

BJB2: I'm on my own, thanks

MichaelM: Is everyone still on the Demo page?

BJB2 . o O (since I never have any other time to play)

DominicS: yes

JeffC: Ah... I think the problem is I'm already logged into the wikispaces as myself... can't login using Teacher 2, etc.

MichaelM: Take a look at the Links Demo.

MichaelM: ok. as long as your logged in to helpingstudents.org, you can use your own login

MichaelM: Did everyone find the Edit Page and WikiWizard?

DominicS: yes

MichaelM: great

JeffC: yup... I'm in logged in as myself now...

BJB2: nice, Michael

MichaelM: Great. I'm going to add a few pages where you can try the WikiWizard

MichaelM: <http://helpingstudents.org/JSPWiki/Wiki.jsp?page=Sandbox>

StephaniSm joined the room.

MichaelM: The link above will allow everyone to edit different pages at same time

MichaelM: Hi Stephanie

StephaniSm: hello

BJB2: Michael, I've added a url to the Activities page using the wizard..but I forget what to do next. How do I save?

BJB2 . o O (sorry...just don't get on often enough to remember what to do)

MichaelM: Please feel free to join in <http://helpingstudents.org/JSPWiki/Login.jsp>

BJB2: Stephanie, are you familiar with the helping students wiki?

StephaniSm: no, not even sure what that is

MichaelM: If you are using the WikiWizard, click File Save from menu

StephaniSm: saw it on the calendar and wondered what it was

BJB2: do you know what a wiki is?

StephaniSm: no

BJB2 smiles...Michael, you're on!

StephaniSm: supposed to come to tapped in each week

MichaelM: <http://helpingstudents.org/JSPWiki/Login.jsp>

StephaniSm: for a college course

BJB2 . o O (oh, duh...that was too easy. Thanks!)

MichaelM: You may login using Teacher4 Stephanie. Your password is pass

StephaniSm: k ty

StephaniSm: I logged into the site

MichaelM: Dominic, If you click Dominic S in red, you can create a new Wiki page called DominicS

StephaniSm: what is a wiki exactly?

BJB2: basic info about a wiki is that it is a web page that can be edited by a group of people

MichaelM: Please review <http://helpingstudents.org/JSPWiki/Wiki.jsp?page=Demo>
Stephani

DominicS: I'm showing blue now, not red.

StephaniSm: I am at the demo now

DominicS: I have editor set on wikiwizard

MichaelM: Great Dominic

MichaelM: Ok Stephanie. Click the Links Demo

MichaelM: Once your ready, you can visit
<http://helpingstudents.org/JSPWiki/Wiki.jsp?page=Sandbox>

MichaelM: Dominic, are you still in the Sandbox?

DominicS: I think so..

StephaniSm: it shows him there

MichaelM: Do you see your name

DominicS: I'm on my own page now

DominicS: I think

DominicS: sorry...

MichaelM: Great. Type some text and try adding a link

DominicS: like that?

MichaelM: Refresh your browser and we can all see who is editing

DominicS: I lost my info on the refresh...should I have saved first?

MichaelM: "View all wiki changes in real time ! "

MichaelM: by adding `[{ListLocksPlugin}]` to any of your pages

MichaelM: Yes.

JeffC: I'm still trying to figure out how to add an image, and I really have one major comment regarding the editor there.

MichaelM: Do you see the WikiWizard Insert Image Jeff?

JeffC: In most html style editors you have tools that allow you to click a button then paste in a url, or image, or whatever. If you think that a bunch of dumb teachers are going to start learning Wiki Code... it ain't going to happen... I'll go back and look for WikiWizard... didn't have it up on my page.

StephaniSm: I think this is beyond my area of knowledge at this time

StephaniSm left the room (signed off).

JeffC: ah... ok... that should be the *default* editor I think...

DominicS: how do you add the list locksplugin?

MichaelM: After clicking Edit Page, look over to the right in the drop down and change from plain to WikiWizard

MichaelM: <http://helpingstudents.org/JSPWiki/Wiki.jsp?page=Plugins>

MichaelM: Dominic click on the link above and it shows the Wiki editor

MichaelM: Click Edit Page and make sure you have the WikiWizard selected from the right drop down menu

MichaelM: Did you find the WikiWizard Jeff?

JeffC: yup

DominicS: I think I did it correctly.

JeffC: and I'm still trying to get the image in there.

JeffC: look at the code it's generated and tell me why I'm not seeing the pic

BJB2: you have to have the image on a url, Michael? You can't upload something from your computer?

MichaelM: You have to upload the picture before inserting.

JeffC: no deep linking?

MichaelM: Yes you can upload the images to any Wiki page.

MichaelM: You click Attach File

MichaelM: You can also link to an image

JeffC: that's what I tried to do... link to my pic at photobucket

JeffC looks at attaching now...

MichaelM: What's the URL?

JeffC: [{ Image src = 'black knight' caption = 'alright then we'll call it a draw'
link= [{ Image src = 'black knight'
link= '<http://i22.photobucket.com/albums/b329/jbcoops/blackknight.jpg>' }]

JeffC: I added the] bracket by hand in the wiki... still nothing.

MichaelM: Type the URL in brackets

JeffC: that was what the image generator generated... not my coding.

MichaelM: [<http://webaddress/image>] and save

DominicS: well guys, I must be going, the daughter is getting fussy.

DominicS: Just a note...

BJB2 listens

MichaelM: Thanks for coming Dominic

MichaelM: What page are you on Jeff?

DominicS: I read an article in the Pittsburgh Post Gazette a few Sunday's ago about a professor at CMU who uses wikis for his class notes

JeffC: I'm in the sandbox... still working on getting that pic up.

BJB2 nods to Dominic

DominicS: the students edit the pages to get a better understanding of the material

MichaelM: Come back. You can continue to use Teacher1

BJB2: cool, Dominic!

DominicS: I will be trying that in a week or so

DominicS: Thank you!

MichaelM: You're welcome. Thank you!!

DominicS: It was fun. Sorry I have to leave early.

BJB2: Michael will be here again March 28

MichaelM: [<http://i22.photobucket.com/albums/b329/jbcoops/blackknight.jpg>] Links to image. If you want to add the image on the Wiki. It must first be attached

MichaelM: Thanks BJB

BJB2: This is certainly a project that needs your support, Michael. I know I'm a slow learner and it just doesn't come in one session

MichaelM: I'm still learning too!

JeffC: I've uploaded the image, and now when I try to get it it comes up as an attachment, not an image on the page.

MichaelM: Now you can Insert the image using the WikiWizard

JeffC: still trying

MichaelM: Let me show you

JeffC: got it

MichaelM: Yup

MichaelM: Great. Sorry for the confusion

JeffC: no... just a learning curve

MichaelM: You can store all images on a separate page and precede the image name with the name of the other page also

JeffC: well... I'm aware of that... and I also know that wikis have a unique coding, but even the wikiwizard isn't what I'd call the most user friendly editor.

JeffC: you saw how Stephanie popped out saying "this is over my head"

MichaelM: It may not be as user friendly as some. But JSPWiki allows plugins and new web apps

JeffC: what I'm really saying is that I think wikis are wonderful collaborative open source tools, that need to upgrade their wyswyg interface to get more teachers etc. onboard.

MichaelM: I need to work on the scope

MichaelM: Thanks

JeffC: I wonder if there is a way to get those plugins to upgrade the interface... for anyone who logs in. Like I said, the first thing that needs to be done is make the wikiwizard the *default* setting.

MichaelM: `[[Image src = 'Wikiimagespage/blackknight.JPG']]` also works if the pic is there

JeffC: most won't even know to switch to that editor, and those who are savvy enough and want to do straight coding will know to switch.

BJB2: Thanks, Michael.

MichaelM: You're right. I will try to fix that. Great suggestion.

MichaelM: Half the battle was getting everyone to find it

MichaelM: Thank you BJB

BJB2: any last comments before I hit the road?

MichaelM: No. Thanks again for the feedback and help

BJB2: I think the collaboration is great!

BJB2 . o O (and benefits us all)

BJB2 waves goodnight

MichaelM waves bye