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Check it Out!!! FREE Stuff.



Kerpoof

<http://www.kerpoof.com/teach>

Kerpoof provides free multimedia software that can be used directly from any browser, on any computer with Internet access and an up-to-date Flash player. While Kerpoof offers paid, premium services directed to at-home, entertaining use of the site, all basic content directed to in-school use is entirely free.

Teacher Flyer:

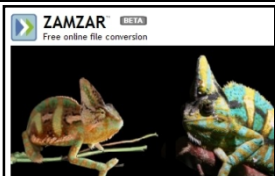
http://www.kerpoof.com/edu/Kerpoof_Educator_Flyer.pdf



Zac Browser

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

ZAC is the first web browser developed specifically for children with autism, and autism spectrum disorders such as Asperger syndrome, pervasive developmental disorders (PDD), and PDD-NOS. A teacher and parent help forum is available. There are additional free chronological age appropriate browsers to download. Take advantage of this wonderful safe environment to access popular kid websites like Sesame Street and Disney videos and games without worrying about inappropriate pop-ups and students being directed to other websites



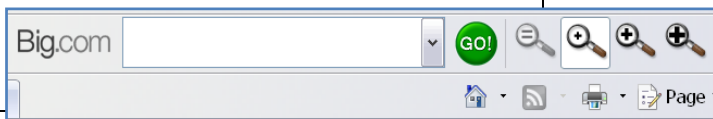
ZAMZAR

Need to convert audio and video files to other formats?? Try www.zamzar.com

Go to http://download.cnet.com/Big-com-Web-Magnifier/3000-12512_4-10515888.html to download

Big Web Magnifier.

The **Big.com Web Magnifier** is a free toolbar for Internet Explorer 6.0 that magnifies most Web pages and lets your perform Web searches on Big.com. This utility was designed for people who prefer to see Web pages displayed in a larger format. Webpages with loads of graphics may present problems but definitely worth a try.

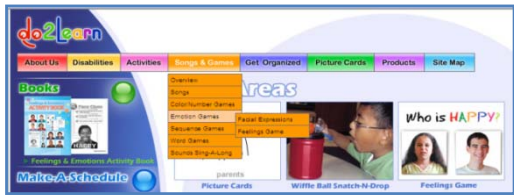




HelpKidzLearn

<http://www.helpkidzlearn.com/games.html>

Free online games to play at home and school.



do2learn

Free resources especially geared for students with Autism. *Games, songs, communication cards, print resources and information for kids with special needs.*

<http://www.do2learn.com/>

AIM and Bookshare.org

Go to <http://www.atanswers.com/aim/index.html> for the FAQs!

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<http://sda.doe.louisiana.gov/Accessguide/Home.aspx> and <http://sda.doe.louisiana.gov/default.aspx>



= Success

If you haven't visited these websites yet, don't hesitate; go for great ideas and resources for teaching your students.

Training Calendar

Date	Title	Time	Location
April 23, 2009	AT Web Resources	9:00 – 12:00	Region 2 AT Center
Take part in a guided tour of and hands-on access to amazing websites for classroom use by students and expansion of your UDL knowledge base of on-line tutorials.			
May 5, 2009	Accessibility You Didn't Know You Have	9:00 – 12:00	Region 2 AT Center
Use the built in features of MS Word and XP to provide access support to your students.			
June 9, 2009	Low Tech Make & Take	9:00 – 12:00	Region 2 AT Center

Low-tech accommodations used for test and note taking, spelling and writing, and math. Simple solutions for accommodating a range of abilities.

Register today on Coursewhere: <https://www.solutionwhere.com/ldoe/cw>

Conferences



"The Sky's the Limit with AT"

July 15 – 17, 2009

LA Dept. Of Education/Claiborne Building- First Floor
1201 North Third Street
Baton Rouge, LA

****Register on April 20 on Coursewhere****

<https://www.solutionwhere.com/ldoe/cw>

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**Solutions for Assistive
Technology**

April 29, 30, May 1, 2009

Marriott Hotel Baton Rouge, LA

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Regional Center training listings go to
the Louisiana Department of
Education's Coursewhere.**

LASARD  **Human Development Center**
Building Capacity • Inspiring Change 
Autism Summer Institute
2009 Supporting People with ASD to Succeed

Date:

JUNE 22-25, 2009

Hampton Inn Convention Center
1201 Convention Center Blvd.
New Orleans, Louisiana 70130

Registration & Cost:

Available online at

www.hdc.lsuhscc.edu/asi2009

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I've heard dark
chocolate is good for
you. **Happy Easter!**