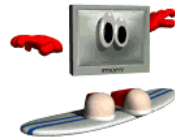


# E-Sheets

The Easiest Way to Integrate Technology into the Classroom

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## What is an E-Sheet?

- An E-Sheet is a simple technology integration strategy that directs student research on the Internet.
- An E-Sheet consists of 2 parts:
  1. One to three websites selected by the teacher
  2. A set of questions designed by the teacher to guide the student through the information on the selected websites
- Students are able to practice reading comprehension and information literacy skills as they are guided through the content of the selected websites.
- An E-Sheet can be distributed to students in 3 ways:
  1. As a printed worksheet on which students can write the answers
  2. As a website where students can click on the selected websites
  3. As a Microsoft Word Document so that answers may be typed, saved, and/or printed
- The e-sheet is often referred to as an electronic worksheet, a web worksheet, or an interactive worksheet.

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## What does an E-Sheet look like?

The following are some sample E-Sheets created by the Elementary Technology Teachers Professional Learning Group during Spring 2005:

<a href="#">Venus E-sheet</a>	<a href="#">Who is in Charge Here?</a>
<a href="#">Sharks</a>	<a href="#">Froggy Fun</a>
<a href="#">Penguins</a>	<a href="#">Weather</a>
<a href="#">The Earth's Atmosphere</a>	<a href="#">The Great Plant Escape</a>
<a href="#">Beatrix Potter</a>	<a href="#">Tsunamis</a>
<a href="#">Insects</a>	<a href="#">Planets</a>
<a href="#">Ellis Island</a>	<a href="#">Alabama History</a>
<a href="#">Electrical Safety</a>	<a href="#">Valentine's Day</a>

For more examples:

[Mike Bissell's Technology Index](#)

[Laurie Fowler's E-Sheet Site](#)

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## Why should I use E-Sheets?

- 1) The e-sheet is simple to create and easy to use.
- 2) The e-sheet meets Alabama Technology Course of Study Standards. *List coming soon!*
- 3) The e-sheet can also be aligned to meet standards from other subject areas.
- 4) The e-sheet promotes reading comprehension.

5) The e-sheet teaches information literacy skills such as how to critically read websites for useful and appropriate content.

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## Why is an E-Sheet different from an ordinary worksheet?

- 1) The e-sheet is interactive.
- 2) The e-sheet teaches technology skills.
- 3) The e-sheet can be designed to encourage cooperative learning skills.
- 4) Your thoughts?

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## How do I create an E-Sheet?

- 1) Select the topic for your e-sheet.
- 2) Go to your favorite search engine or educational resource site.
- 3) Perform a search for your topic.
- 4) If using a search engine such as Google, place quotation marks around your topic. Examples: "water cycle" "Salem Witch Trials"
- 5) Select a few student-friendly websites that reinforce the topic you have selected.
- 6) Be sure that the website is on a level that your student can comprehend.
- 7) Create 4-10 questions for your selected website.
- 8) Type the website address and questions in a Microsoft Word document.

9) You may wish to add clip art or pictures to enhance the visual effect.

10) Don't forget to save your e-sheet! Be sure to name it something that you will remember.

11) If you just want to print your e-sheet, save it as a regular Microsoft Word document.

12) If you want to post your e-sheet to the Internet, you should save it as a "web archive" or "single file web page" depending on your version of Microsoft Word.

13) Posting your website to the Internet varies from school system to system. Instructions for your school will be given separately.

14) Don't forget to check your selected website periodically to make sure that it works.

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## How do I use an E-Sheet?

Some suggestions for using e-sheets in your classroom:

- 1) Learning Centers: Assign times for students to work individually or in pairs.
- 2) Computer Labs (Basic): Students can work individually or in pairs as well.
- 3) Computer Labs (Advanced): Students can type the answers into a word processing document that has been saved as a template.

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## Who else is using E-Sheets?

- 1) The Elementary Technology Teachers Professional Learning Groups (City & County)
- 2) [Science NetLinks](#): Click here for a specific example on [Germs and the Body](#)
- 3) [New Zealand's English Online](#)

#### 4) [HPR\\*TEC Web Worksheet Wizard](#)

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## The E-Sheet on E-Sheets

Click [here](#) to see an e-sheet created by Mike Bissell to specifically study e-sheets.

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## What's next?

### [The WebQuest](#)

The E-Sheet is just a beginning to more advanced technology integration. The WebQuest is a natural next step after mastering the strategy of the e-sheet. E-sheets can actually be included as part of a WebQuest. For more information and to view sample WebQuests, click on the link above for Kathy Shrock's WebQuest Page or the [WebQuest Portal](#) from San Diego State University.

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## Resources for E-Sheet Content

[Marco Polo](#)

[The Alabama Virtual Library](#)

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