

# UA Technology in Motion

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[www.technologyinmotion.state.al.us](http://www.technologyinmotion.state.al.us)  
[www.inservice.ua.edu/tim](http://www.inservice.ua.edu/tim)

### **AGENDA**

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- 1) Welcome & Opening Discussion/Introductions
- 2) Description of the Professional Learning Group Model & Procedures
- 3) Dates & Topics for 2006-2007 Year
- 4) Introduction to the GPS & Geocaching
- 5) Geocaching Activity (Weather Permitting)\*
- 6) Post Activity Discussion
- 7) Lunch (Approximately 11:45)
- 8) Web Resources & Google Earth @ Tuscaloosa City Board (Approximately 1 PM)
- 9) Evals & Certificates

\*In the event of bad weather, Google Earth will be moved to the morning session, and an alternate topic will be presented in the afternoon. If this occurs, the geocaching activity will be revisited on a future date.

### **GEOCACHING & GPS RESOURCE SITES**

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- 1) What is Geocaching: [www.geocaching.com](http://www.geocaching.com) (Click Let's Get Started)
- 2) GPS Virtual Training Center: [www.lane.k12.or.us/insttech/vtc/gps.html](http://www.lane.k12.or.us/insttech/vtc/gps.html)
- 3) GPS Lesson Plans: [www.gis2gps.com/GPS/lessonplans/gpsplans.htm](http://www.gis2gps.com/GPS/lessonplans/gpsplans.htm)
- 4) Podcacher (Geocaching Podcasts): [www.podcacher.com](http://www.podcacher.com)
- 5) GPS in the Classroom: [eduscapes.com/tap/topic78.htm#2](http://eduscapes.com/tap/topic78.htm#2)
- 6) GPS Resources for Teachers & Students:  
[t4.jordan.k12.ut.us/teacher\\_resources/Science/gps.html](http://t4.jordan.k12.ut.us/teacher_resources/Science/gps.html)
- 7) GOOGLE SEARCHES: GPS Lesson Plan(s); Geocaching Lesson Plan(s); GPS Classroom Activity; Geocaching Classroom Activity; Other Suggestions:

## **USEFUL EDUCATIONAL SEARCH ENGINES**

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- 1) Answers.com ([www.answers.com](http://www.answers.com))
  
- 2) Study Buddy ([www.studybuddy.com](http://www.studybuddy.com))

## **GOOGLE EARTH**

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- 1) Google Earth Home: [earth.google.com](http://earth.google.com)
- 2) Google Earth for Educators: [www.google.com/educators/p\\_earth.html](http://www.google.com/educators/p_earth.html)
- 3) Google Earth Tour: [earth.google.com/tour](http://earth.google.com/tour)
- 4) Google Earth Handout: [lakelandschools.org/Edtech/ResourcePages/Handout.pdf](http://lakelandschools.org/Edtech/ResourcePages/Handout.pdf)
- 5) Google Earth Resources: [lakelandschools.org/edtech/ResourcePages/google-earth.htm](http://lakelandschools.org/edtech/ResourcePages/google-earth.htm)
- 6) Discovery Education & Google Earth: [www.google.com/educators/p\\_earth\\_discovery.html](http://www.google.com/educators/p_earth_discovery.html)
- 7) Google Earth & Unitedstreaming:  
[services.google.com/educators/learning\\_materials/Earth\\_Getting\\_Started\\_Guide.pdf](http://services.google.com/educators/learning_materials/Earth_Getting_Started_Guide.pdf)
- 8) Google Earth 101 for Educators:  
[www.teachinghacks.com/wiki/index.php?title=Google\\_Earth\\_101\\_for\\_Educators](http://www.teachinghacks.com/wiki/index.php?title=Google_Earth_101_for_Educators)
- 9) Use your Google skills to search for lesson plans.  
(Add them to favorites & export; or E-Mail the links to yourself; or set up an ikeepbookmarks.com account.)
- 10) Notes on Google Earth:

## **GOOGLE (IN CASE OF RAIN)**

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1) Google Search Tips & Advanced Uses

2) Google Tools

3) Google for Educators ([www.google.com/educators](http://www.google.com/educators))

4) See Also:

- Google Guide ([www.googleguide.com](http://www.googleguide.com))
- Patrick Crispen's Google PowerPoint Resources - Scroll for Google 101, 201, & 301 ([www.netsquirrel.com/powerpoint/internet.html](http://www.netsquirrel.com/powerpoint/internet.html))

## **PICASA - FOR PERSONAL USE**

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What is Picasa? ([picasa.google.com](http://picasa.google.com))

- It is a free software download from Google.
- Picasa is software that helps you instantly find, edit and share all the pictures on your PC.
- Every time you open Picasa, it automatically locates all your pictures (even ones you forgot you had) and sorts them into visual albums organized by date with folder names you will recognize.
- Picasa also makes advanced editing simple by putting one-click fixes and powerful effects at your fingertips.
- Picasa also makes it a snap to share your pictures - you can email, print photos at home, and make gift CDs.
- And with the new Web Albums feature, you can upload your photos to the web with just one click.