

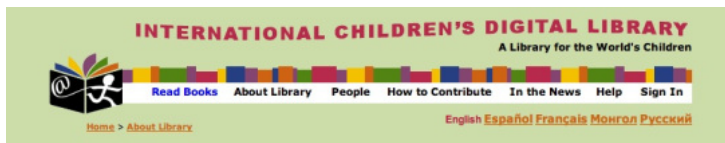


The World of A.T. Assistive Technology



Educational Equity For All

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OUR MISSION

The ICDL Foundation promotes tolerance and respect for diverse cultures by providing access to the best of children's literature from around the world.

We invite you to explore our growing library and learn how you can contribute to our efforts.

<http://en.childrenslibrary.org/>

Strategies and Tips for Implementing Apps for Communication and Language (part 2)



Date: January 06, 2016 (Wednesday)

Session ID: [1197476](#)

Description: This webinar, part 2 of 2, will demonstrate customization of communication systems for access, custom vocabulary and ease of use.

Presenter: Darren Avey, Assistive Technology Specialist

[Click here to register](#)

https://www.escweb.net/tx_esc_04/catalog/session.aspx?&session_id=1197476



Awesome Talking Library

http://www.awesomelibrary.org/Awesome_Talking_Library.html

Awesome Talkster combines a browser, directory, search engine, and text-to-voice technology. This allows you to select online text and have it read to you.



PowerUp Your Classroom

<http://powerupwhatworks.org/page-puww/powerup-your-classroom>



WHAT'S NEW ON POWERUP?

PowerUp WHAT WORKS resources for students with disabilities are now available in [OpenEd® Resource Library](#). Customizable lesson plans, materials, videos, and more available in the world's largest online collection of standards-aligned resources.

Differentiate instruction with evidence-based strategies and technology to meet the needs of your diverse learners.

TEACHING STRATEGY GUIDES

Find expert guidance on how to integrate educational technology with best practices in English language arts (ELA) and Math instruction, example lesson plans, and more!

TEACHER PLAYLISTS

Combine PowerUp teaching strategies and technology resources to create your own pathway for self-guided professional learning.

INTEGRATING TECHNOLOGY

Browse the Tech Matrix to find technology tools. Read the Tech Research Briefs to learn about best practices. Use the Tech Tips to integrate technology.

UNIVERSAL DESIGN FOR LEARNING (UDL)

Align technology tools with best practices to translate UDL principles to meet the needs of students with diverse abilities and needs.



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FEATURED IDEA OF THE MONTH

DIY ADAPTING TOYS OR DEVICES

Adapting Toys yourself is fun for adults and youth to learn how to do. It makes a GREAT service project! Troop 418 in Olympia had a good time learning how to adapt toys. ([SEE NEWSPAPER ARTICLE](#))

- Adapt A Ride on Power Wheels Toy or Toy Electric Car
- Adapt a toy helicopter that really flies
- Shop for an already Adapted Toy / Massager / Radio
- Shop for a Switch For a Toy / Massager / Radio
- What is a Battery Interrupter Jack?
<http://www.scienceshareware.com/toys.htm>



AAC Teaching Resources and Adapted Special Education Curriculum

Susan Berkowitz Top Tips for Teaching AAC

Free handout on how to [Be a Good Partner to an AAC User](#)

Free handout on the myths of AAC [here](#)

<https://susanberkowitz.leadpages.co/aac-teaching-resources/?pp=0>



Learn Center - Center for Implementing Technology in Education

Innovative technology and new classroom practices can be a powerful tool in helping teachers provide meaningful education opportunities for all students. CITED provides practical and convenient resources for using technology in everyday tasks.

Responsibilities:

- [Plan and Deliver Instruction](#)
- [Assess Student Progress](#)
- [Manage IEP and Administrative Tasks](#)
- [Communicate with Parents and Guardians](#)
- [Advance Professional Knowledge](#)

http://www.cited.org/index.aspx?page_id=5

WEBSITES AND RESOURCES

<https://www.opened.com/>

<http://trace.wisc.edu/>

<http://disabilities.temple.edu/programs/assistive/piat/>



PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT



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Pre-Conference Seminars: February 2-3, 2016

Conference: February 3-6, 2016

Caribe Royale All-Suites Resort & Convention Center

Orlando, Florida, USA

The ATIA conference is the largest international conference showcasing the best in assistive technology tools and services.

<http://www.atia.org/i4a/pages/index.cfm?pageid=4549>



January 12, 2016, 10:00 am CST - 60-minutes

TITLE: [Can Assistive Technology Flip The Classroom For All?](#)

January 13, 2016, 11:00 am CST - 30-minutes

TITLE: [Community Connections: Build Learner Knowledge of Self, Community and World at Large](#)

January 19, 2016, 12:00 pm CST - 30-minutes

TITLE: [Let's Look at Chrome: Apps & Extensions for Reading](#)

January 26, 2016, 12:00 pm CST - 30-minutes

TITLE: [Let's Look at Chrome: Apps & Extensions for Writing](#)

January 27, 2016, 10:00 am CST - 60-minutes

TITLE: [Is 'Active Listening' The Key To Independent Note-taking?](#)

https://www.ablenetinc.com/resources/live_webinars/

What's New

myGaze

myGaze is an easy and affordable eye gaze control system
[myGaze Getting Started Bundle](#)



Bundle is an easy to use and affordable eye gaze control system for users who are new to using eye gaze. Includes myGaze eye gaze hardware, EyeMouse Play, Look to Learn, and Look to Learn: Scenes and Sounds.

<https://www.ablenetinc.com/mygaze-getting-started-bundle>