

How to Find Information about Interactive Whiteboards

http://activated.decs.act.gov.au/learning/word/elt/13_SMARTBoards.pdf

Blackboards, pencils, and typewriters are just a few of the “old” technology tools that shaped how teachers instructed and how students learned in most of America’s classrooms.

A technology tool of today that is becoming more commonplace in our classrooms is the interactive whiteboard. The interactive whiteboard allows students to “learn by doing.” Used in this manner, technology excels at providing teachers and students the interactive tools they need to provide meaningful instruction that can be customized to meet individual learners’ needs.



Interactive Whiteboards--What are they?

Interactive whiteboards take on various brand names including Ibid, SMARTBoard, and so on. Yet, most boards work on the same general principle. A projector connected to your computer displays everything you can or could see on your desktop onto the surface of the interactive whiteboard. Instead of controlling your computer through a mouse, you can use your fingers (membrane technology as in SMARTBoards) or by touching the surface with a special pen (Activboard and Hitachi).

Explore some of these excellent interactive whiteboard resources for teachers:

Cool Math for Kids

<http://www.coolmath4kids.com/>

EdCompass

<http://www.edcompass.smarttech.com/>

- Download interactive lesson activities
- Add curriculum-relevant template and image Notebook Collections to Notebook software or tryout free educational software
- Read studies on interactive whiteboard usage in education
- Enhance teaching and learning with these educational web sites
- Get advice on using your SMART product, technology funding and more

Interactive Math and Personal Finance

<http://www.kn.pacbell.com/wired/fil/pages/listmathpermr1.html>

National Library of Virtual Manipulatives for Interactive Math

<http://matti.usu.edu/nlvm/nav/vlibrary.html>

Tools for NCTM Illuminations Project

<http://www.illuminations.nctm.org/tools/index.aspx>

Center for Digital Literacy SMART Board Resources
<http://digital-literacy.syr.edu/resources/smartboard.htm>