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Two Search Features Recently Added to the Site

Here are two enhancements that were made to the TeachingBooks site last month:



Explore all the new resources on TeachingBooks by using the red “What’s New?” button, found in every Search box. This is a quick way to see what’s been added to the TeachingBooks collection and to learn about new online book and author materials.

Browse all 1438 Author Programs

Elementary Author Programs

Middle/High Author Programs

New browsing buttons enable students and educators to browse the resources by appropriate grade levels. These buttons have the added benefit of highlighting the abundance of middle and high school resources on the site. These “Elementary” (PK–5th) and “Middle/High” (4th–Adult) browsing buttons are available for Author Programs, Book Guides, Book Readings, etc.

Multimedia Plug-ins: Ongoing Efforts

Wouldn’t it be great if every multimedia clip on the Web could play on every computer? That’s one of our dreams at TeachingBooks, and we’re working toward that! Step one is to make our original author programs play for everyone. These are in QuickTime, Windows Media Player and Flash. (We’re considering making them all Flash next school year.) Also know that we’re trying to avoid RealPlayer files. We never create resources in Real, and we’re acquiring audio clips and converting them to MP3 so they will play on your default players. Remember: there is a test for you to learn which plugins are on your computer: <http://teachingbooks.net/plugins>

TeachingBooks at TLA and IRA: Want to Meet?

Nick Glass, the founder of TeachingBooks, is speaking and exhibiting at both the Texas Library Association, April 25-28, in Houston, and the International Reading Association, April 30-May 4, in Chicago. If you would like a schedule of our presentations or demonstrations, and/or would like to meet, email him at nick@TeachingBooks.net. Or just stop by the TeachingBooks booth: 1648 at TLA and 2316 at IRA.

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