

GREAT ONLINE RESOURCES FOR TEACHING CURRENT EVENTS

CNN: <http://www.cnn.com/EDUCATION/>

EDUCATION with **Student News**

View video-clips of current events or print out a transcript. This site includes a "Quick Guide" for the featured article, ten questions & a news quiz for the featured article. Also featured, are a variety of learning activities about current events.

News Hour: Jim Lehrer Special for Students: <http://www.pbs.org/newshour/extra/>



NEWSHOUR A NewsHour with Jim Lehrer special for students

Includes provocative articles on current issues in the areas of arts/English, science, math, economics, world news, U.S. History, Government health and more. Applicable resources for teaching debates and current events that include daily lesson plans and activities.

New York Times: <http://www.nytimes.com/learning/teachers/>



This site includes a daily lesson plan along with a schedule for the weeks projected lesson plan topics. Each weekday there is a news snapshot that includes a newsworthy and provocative photo from The New York Times with the basic set of questions answered by journalists when relaying the news - who, what, where, when, why and how. There is also a printable worksheet and answer key.

Washington Post: <http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-srv/kidspost/orbit/kidspost.html>



Extremely kid friendly site that includes daily features, current events articles, descriptions of jobs in the newsroom, biographies of kids from around the world and much more. This is a great resource for locating articles and current issues and is safe for kids to navigate on their own.

Bear Essential News For Kids: <http://www.beaessentialnews.com/Issues/current.php>



This site is excellent for some of your lower readers to navigate. Easy to understand and the issues presented are not as complex. Sections include issues that relate current events to our own constitution, news highlights, word spotlight and more.

ABC News: <http://abcnews.go.com/>



Easy to use teacher resource. Find current events articles, download videos or transcripts from ABC news shows.

United Nations Cyber Schoolbus: <http://www.un.org/pubs/cyberschoolbus/index.asp>



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Great student and teacher resource. Includes UN News

Centre, curriculum on peace education, human rights, rights at work and much more. Interactive components

include the year in review, special news topics and an Ask the Ambassador section.

Newsweek Ed Program: <http://www.newsweekeducation.com/extras/policartoons.php>



Comprehensive teacher resource includes almost everything you need to teach a current events strand. There is a teacher's guide to use

with each issue as well as excellent, ready-to-use skill builders and

critical thinking activities related to geography, debate, editorial and speech writing, issue maps, vocabulary, writing, reading and so much more.

Parade Classroom: www.paradeclassroom.com



This teacher resource includes a teacher's guide, current events quizzes, debate topics and much more. To gain full access to all of the supplements, classroom activities and teachers aids, you may need to

join the Newspapers In Education (NIE) program. For more information contact: april_falco@parade.com or call 212-450-7052.

TV411: www.tv411.org/reading



This site is intended to increase literacy among adults but is also a great site to use with students of all ages. For current events, click on the "Parts of a Newspaper" link which will have the students sort headlines into the corresponding sections of a newspaper. The direct link to this is:

<http://www.tv411.org/lessons/cfm/reading.cfm?str=reading&num=2&act=1> This is also a great site to give the students to practice at home.

Political Cartoons:

Although many of the sites above include lessons on cartoons, these are useful if you need to an age-appropriate cartoon quickly and easily.

Education World: http://www.education-world.com/a_curr/curr210.shtml



Includes curriculum article on teaching about political cartoons. Includes *numerous* links to sites that offer hundreds of age appropriate political cartoons.

Globe Cartoons: <http://www.globecartoon.com/>



Hundred of political cartoons by Chappatte published in the *Globe*. All age appropriate and easily interpreted. Great for use in the classroom.