

Locate and Evaluate WebQuests

How can I add some adventure to my class?

What's a WebQuest?

Where can I find WebQuests in my content area and grade level?

WebQuests provide an authentic, technology-rich environment for problem solving, information processing, and collaboration. This inquiry-based approach to learning involves students in a wide range of activities that make good use of Internet-based resources. Bernie Dodge developed the WebQuest concept back in the mid 1990s. To learn more about WebQuests, check out his website at [San Diego State University](#) or Tom March's Ozline site called [WebQuests & More](#). Check out the [matrix of top WebQuests](#) at [WebQuest.org](#) by Bernie Dodge.

It also links to more indepth information about WebQuests.

Internet Expedition: Exploring, Using, Adapting, and Creating WebQuests

Explore the follow pages to learn how to create a WebQuest:

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Links to Great Online Resources on WebQuests

This Teacher Tap page provides links to many online resources related to WebQuests. Use the following hyperlinks to view materials on this page:

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Best WebQuests on the Web

Best Collections to Start

Matrix of Examples: Top by Bernie Dodge

<http://webquest.org/matrix3.php>

Bernie Dodge's matrix of the top sites. Also check [Middling](#) for sites that are okay, but can use work.

Best WebQuests by Tom March

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

All links are evaluated.

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Grade Level WebQuest Exploration

Click on one of the following grade levels for a set of WebQuest examples and resources by grade level:

- [Kindergarten through Third Grade](#) (literature-based [Grades K-2](#))
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WebQuest Collections

Berks County Intermediate Unit

<http://www.berksiu.k12.pa.us/webquest/>

Teacher-produced WebQuests.

Catawba County Schools

<http://www.catawba.k12.nc.us/webquest/>

WebQuests by teachers at all levels

Dr. Alice Christie's Matrix of WebQuests (2004)

<http://www.west.asu.edu/achristie/wqmatrix.html>

Provided by teachers by grade level and subject area.

Davidson County Schools from Davidson County, NC

<http://www.davidson.k12.nc.us/webquests/webquest.html>

Teacher-produced WebQuests.

Davidson High School from Michigan

<http://www.davison.k12.mi.us/dhs/staff/hewitt/hewitt14.htm>

WebQuests plus other resources by subject area.

WebQuests from Dedham MA

<http://www.dedham.k12.ma.us/webquest/>

Teacher-produced WebQuests from 1999 to present.

Digital Desert Library WebQuests

<http://horizon.nmsu.edu/ddl/wqkids.html>

Elementary and Middle School WebQuests

Elementary School WebQuest Projects from NC

<http://admin.chccs.k12.nc.us/it/wiredprojectselem.htm>

Summer workshop WebQuests from 2003.

eMINTS WebQuests

<http://www.emints.org/webquest/index.shtml>

Some great WebQuests by Missouri teachers.

Germantown Elementary in Illinois

<http://www.germantown.k12.il.us/html/webquest.html>

Teacher-produced

Guilford County Schools from Greensboro, NC

<http://its.guilford.k12.nc.us/webquests/>

Teacher-produced WebQuests by grade level and subject area.

Iredell-Statesville Schools from North Carolina
<http://www.iss.k12.nc.us/schools/webquests/summer.htm>
Teacher-produced WebQuests by grade level and subject area.

ITSCO WebQuests
<http://www.itsco.org/webquest/gallery.html>
Teacher-produced WebQuests.

iWebQuest.com
<http://www.iwebquest.com/Default.htm>

Kathy Schrock's WebQuest Archives
<http://kathyschrock.net/webquests/index.htm>
Graduate student projects (1996-1998)

Louisiana State University WebQuests
<http://asterix.ednet.lsu.edu/%7Eedtech/webquest/>
Graduate student projects created in 1998-1999.

Macomb WebQuest Index
<http://www.macomb.k12.mi.us/wq/webqindx.htm>
WebQuests created in 1997.

Manteno WebQuests from Illinois
<http://www.manteno.k12.il.us/webquest/>
Groups by elementary, middle school and high school (1999 to present)

Milford Board of Education in Connecticut
http://www.milforded.org/teachers_rooms/wq.asp
Teacher produced WebQuests from 1999 to present by grade level.

Naturescapes
<http://www.eduscapes.com/nature/>
A dozen simple WebQuests with resources for different reading levels.

- [Help the Bighorn Sheep](#)
- [Bison Bonanza](#)
- [Moving the Elk](#)
- [The Great Lizard Discovery](#)
- [Moose Mania](#)
- [Mustangs Run Free](#)
- [Skunks: Sweet or Smelly?](#)
- [A Walk in the Cactus](#)
- [I'm Not a Cactus!](#)
- [Save the Soil Crusts!](#)
- [Rock Varnish: Wanted Dead or Alive?](#)

New Mexico State University Student WebQuests
<http://education.nmsu.edu/webquest/examples.html>
Teacher and pre-service teacher WebQuests.

NC Wise Owl
[Elementary](#) and [Middle/High School](#) WebQuests from North Carolina schools including [Aldert Root Elementary](#)

San Bernadino County Schools
<http://itdc.sbcss.k12.ca.us/curriculum/webquest.html>
Some early and good quality WebQuests.

San Diego City Schools
<http://projects.edtech.sandi.net/projects/gradelevel/gradelevel.html>
Great examples by grade level produced with guidance from Bernie Dodge's group.

Science WebQuests from University of California
<http://www.can-do.com/uci/k12-lessons.html>
WebQuests by year. Many aren't really WebQuests, instead they're web-based lessons

SESD WebQuests from Saskatoon (East) School Division
<http://sesd.sk.ca/teacherresource/webquest/webquest.htm>
Links to 1000 WebQuests.

Spartanburg School District
<http://www.spa3.k12.sc.us/WebQuests.html>
WebQuests created by teachers.

Summer 2001 WebQuest Academy from Kansas
<http://learning.usd383.org/tlcf/tlcf2001/Default.htm>
Teacher produced WebQuests

Teach the Teachers
<http://www.teachtheteachers.org/>
Many great WebQuests created by California teachers in [1999](#), [2000](#), [2001](#) and advanced WebQuests from [2000](#), [2001](#). Many of the teachers worked with Bernie Dodge.

Technology Connections
<http://www.ga.unc.edu/NCTA/NCTA/WebQuests.htm>
Teacher-produced WebQuests (June 2000-June 2002)

Unity Point School's WebQuests
<http://www.up140.jacksn.k12.il.us/Goals2K01/pages/Goals2KIII01.htm>
Part of a Goals 2000 grant.

University of Nevada

<http://www.nevada.edu/%7Estrudler/wq.html>

Matrix of graduate teacher education student WebQuests.

University of Richmond Web-based Projects

<http://oncampus.richmond.edu/academics/education/projects/>

Pre-service and in-service teacher-produced WebQuests

Warrensburg Schools WebQuest Academy

<http://warrensburg.k12.mo.us/webquest/>

Teacher-produced WebQuests by grade level

WebQuests by Brebru.com

<http://brebru.com/webquests/webquestmenu.html>

WebQuests grouped by subject area.

WebQuests by Jackie Carrigan's Graduate Students

<http://www.plainfield.k12.in.us/hschool/webquest.htm>

Organized by subject area and grade level, this site contains teacher-produced WebQuests.

WebQuests by Graduate Students at National-Louis University

<http://www.lfelem.lfc.edu/tech/DuBose/webquest/wq.html>

WebQuests by School City of Hobart IN

<http://www.hobart.k12.in.us/webquests/webindex.html>

Teacher-produced WebQuests

WebQuests for Middle School from Buncombe County Schools

<http://www.buncombe.k12.nc.us/public/webquests.html>

Middle school, teacher-produced WebQuests.

WebQuest Units by Aurora IL University

<http://www.coollessons.org/auroracourse99.html>

Produced in 1999 and 2000 workshops

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WebQuest Links Sites and Indexes

Connecting Teachers and Students WebQuests

<http://www.paducah.k12.ky.us/curriculum/webquests.htm>

Database of Inquiry Oriented Internet Projects

<http://www.lth3.k12.il.us/rhampton/database.html>

Listed by subject and grade level.

EdHelper

<http://www.edhelper.com/cat311.htm>

Hundreds listed

GEC Computers in the Classroom WebQuest Locator

<http://www.gecdsb.on.ca/d&g/DP/main.htm>

Linked verified 2004. Search by division or subject area.

Kathy Schrock's Guide for Educators - WebQuests

<http://school.discovery.com/schrockguide/webquest/webquest.html>

WebQuest resources.

Teaching, Learning, & Technology Centre from Okanagan University

<http://www.ouc.bc.ca/tltc/tr/webquest/>

Contains over 1000 WebQuest links.

Technology - WebQuests

http://www.teach-nology.com/teachers/lesson_plans/computing/web_questions/

WebQuests by topic.

Theme WebQuests for K2

http://www.swlauriersb.qc.ca/schools/crestview/ls/Links/Web_QUESTS1.htm

WebQuest Collection from Ecole Whitehorse Elementary (2004)

http://www.yesnet.yk.ca/schools/wes/webquest_collection.html

Collections by theme as well as WebQuests developed by their staff.

WebQuest Directory

<http://www.swlauriersb.qc.ca/Schools/recit/wq022200.htm>

WebQuest Resource Directories from Pioneer Elementary

<http://www.asd.wednet.edu/pioneer/barnard/resources/WQ/wqintresdir.htm>

Great list of directories.

WebQuest UK Library Index

http://www.webquestuk.org.uk/webquestuk_library.html

WebQuests by subject from UK.

Wow, Wonderful WebQuests

<http://www.geocities.com/smilecdg/webquests.html>

Collection of WebQuests for K4

Literature-based WebQuests

Literature Ladders: WebQuests

<http://eduscapes.com/ladders/themes/webquests.htm>

Links to WebQuests by grade level.

Literature Based WebQuests from San Diego City Schools

<http://projects.edtech.sandi.net/projects/literature.html>

WebQuests from local teachers.

Math and Science WebQuests Collections

Math WebQuests

<http://www.wfu.edu/~mccoy/NCTM00/examples.html>

Organized by grade level with titles and topics listed.

Science WebQuests from Williston VT

<http://www.williston.k12.vt.us/Services/Science/ScienceWebQuests/sciencewebquests.html>

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Learning About WebQuests

A Road Map for Designing WebQuests by Bernie Dodge

<http://webquest.sdsu.edu/roadmap/index.htm>

A web-based presentation on WebQuest design.

Enter the WebQuest by Teach-nology

http://www.teach-nology.com/tutorials/web_questions/

A tutorial for learning about WebQuests.

Making a WebQuest (1999)

<http://www.plainfield.k12.in.us/hschool/webq/webq2/webles~1.htm>

Simple WebQuest on making WebQuests.

Tasks and Design for Teaching the WebQuest Way

<http://webquest.sdsu.edu/workshops/stgregory.htm>

Workshop materials.

Using a WebQuest in your Classroom (2000) from i4c

http://www.internet4classrooms.com/using_quest.htm

Definitions, form, evaluation, collections, guidelines for building WebQuests.

Weaving the Web into Your K-2 Curriculum (2003) by Bernie Poole and Beckie Randall

<http://www.pitt.edu/~edindex/WebQuests/frames.htm>

This WebQuest is designed to help pre-service and in-service teachers learning to develop WebQuests.

WebQuest: An Online Lesson from San Diego Schools

<http://projects.edtech.sandi.net/staffdev/webqmm/>

Modules in learning to develop WebQuests.

WebQuest 101 - Putting Discovery into the Curriculum (2001)

<http://www.teachersfirst.com/summer/webquest/quest-a.shtml>

Tutorial on WebQuests.

WebQuest Development

http://www.spa3.k12.sc.us/WebQuest_Development.htm

Ideas for developing WebQuests.

WebQuests: What are They? from Ecole Whitehorse Elementary (2004)

<http://www.yesnet.yk.ca/schools/wes/webquests.html>

Nice overview and resources.

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Suggested Resources and Readings

Many of the best resources are by the two founders of the WebQuest, Bernie Dodge and Tom March.

Bernie Dodge developed the WebQuest concept back in 1995. To learn more about WebQuests, check out his website at [San Diego State University](#) or his new portal at [WebQuest.org](#). Read online articles by Bernie Dodge:

- [FOCUS Five Rules for Writing a Great WebQuest](#)
- [Selecting a WebQuest Project](#) (1999)
- [Some Thoughts on WebQuests](#) (1995)
- [WebQuest Design Process](#) (2002)
- Dodge, Bernie (1995). Some thoughts about WebQuests. Updated May 5, 1995. Available: http://edweb.sdsu.edu/courses/edtec596/about_webquests.html
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Tom March created many of the first WebQuests for K-12. Check out his home page at [Online](#) along with [BestWebQuests](#) and [Filamentality](#). Read online articles by Tom March:

- [Inputs, Transformations, Outputs](#) (1997, 2004)

- [Prewriting Your WebQuest](#) (1998, 2001)
- [Thinking through Linking](#) (1996, 2003)
- [WebQuests for Learning](#) (1998)
- [WebQuest Design Process](#) (1998)

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