

SHORT CIRCUITS

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Online Tools



There are more and more free, Web-based tools offered online that are useful for both teachers and students alike. Some of them are specifically for educational use and others may be adapted for use in the classroom or at home. Here are some of the interesting ones that I have found.

Puzzlemaker

Create and print customized word search, crossword and math puzzles using your word lists.

Zoomerang

A place for you to create an online survey for part of a collaborative project. Students could use it to solicit data from others to compile in a database or chart in a spreadsheet.

Flashbase

Another online data collection site with plenty of templates to use. Server-sided tools may be the trend in the future, so it's a good way to introduce your students to the concept.

Zing

Intended as an online picture album, you can create a "private" album to share photos with others.

Eboard

A bulletin-board interface and easy-to-use menu allows you to create a secure place to share homework assignments, announcements, and solicit input with a simplistic bulletin board tool.

Puzzlemaker <http://puzzlemaker.school.discovery.com/>

Zoomerang.com <http://www.zoomerang.com/>

Flashbase <http://forms.flashbase.com/>

Zing <http://zing.com/>

Eboard <http://www.eboard.com/>

Palm Pick-o-the-Month

Four.Zero

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

Have your Palm/Handspring-enabled students try out this shareware for managing homework and assignments. Shareware demo is limited to one class.

The author is working on a teacher version, too!

