(free) Websites Worth Checking Out

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- Flipping
  - khanacademy.com
    - Online instructional videos on a range of subjects - heaviest on math.
  - ed.ted.com
    - Lessons built around TED Talk videos.
- General Teacher Resources
  - loc.gov/teachers
    - Teacher Resources from the Library of Congress.
  - www.learner.org
    - Professional development and classroom resources from the Annenberg Foundation.
  - learning.blogs.nytimes.com
    - The New York Times Learning Network with resources for teachers and students.
  - pbslearningmedia.org
    - PBS's site for thousands of resources for teachers.
  - smithsonianeducation.org
    - A lot of resources here, but check out the downloadable lesson bundles.
  - thinkfinity.org
    - A free online learning environment for teachers that gives you access to a huge range of resources, lessons, activities, etc.
  - exchange.smarttech.com
    - A community driven place to find and exchange lessons and files for the Smart Board.
  - youtube.com
    - Yeah, you know the site, but think about how you use it.
  - teachertube.com
    - If you haven't seen it before, I bet you can guess what this one is all about.
- Graphic Organizers, Timelines, etc.
  - capzles.com
    - Use it to create multimedia timelines.
  - eduplace.com/graphicorganizer/
    - It has blank organizers for a large number of things that can be printed.
  - fodey.com
    - A newspaper clip generator.
  - gliffy.com
    - A surprisingly sophisticated graphic organizer creator.
- Language
  - conjugation.com
    - Conjugate verbs in English, Spanish, Portuguese, French, Italian, or Russian.
  - lexipedia.com
    - A visual dictionary you can manipulate.
  - tagxedo.com
    - Create downloadable word clouds.

- ○ wordle.net
  - ■ It's another word cloud tool.
- ● Games & Review
  - ○ jeopardylabs.com
    - ■ This one is a fast and easy way to create a Jeopardy game without PowerPoint.
  - ○ lizardpoint.com/geography/
    - ■ There are lots of geography review and games here.
  - ○ quizlet.com
    - ■ Use it for premade vocabulary flashcard sets, or make your own.
  - ○ studyblue.com
    - ■ Easily create flashcard sets that can be used on a computer, tablet, or phone.
- ● Stories & Writing Tools
  - ○ carnegielibary.org/kids/storymaker
    - ■ my StoryMaker lets you create your own animated stories.
  - ○ storybird.com
    - ■ It's a very cool tool for creating art-inspired short stories and poetry.
- ● Student Feedback
  - ○ gosoapbox.com, polleverywhere.com, socrativ.com
    - ■ All three serve a similar function: to let you get instant feedback from students using computers, tablets, or phones. I would encourage you to take a look at all three and see which is best suited to you.
  - ○ todaysmeet.com
    - ■ This one gives you a "back channel" for discussions and questions.
- ● Online Learning Environments
  - ○ www2.malonecsd.org/moodle
    - ■ Hosted on our own servers; use your network credentials to login.
  - ○ edmodo.com
  - ○ collaborizeclassroom.com
  - ○ schoology.com
- ● Miscellaneous
  - ○ amnh.org/explore/ology
    - ■ Ology is the American Museum of Natural History's science site for elementary age kids.
  - ○ incredibox.com/
    - ■ Unleash your inner musician through the miracle of drag and drop.
  - ○ planetnutshell.com/skill/netsafe/
    - ■ A series of short internet/technology safety videos, organized by grades.
  - ○ remind101.com
    - ■ Send mass text messages to your classes without knowing their #s or sharing yours.
  - ○ edu.symbaloo.com
    - ■ An online service to curate your web content and share it with others.
  - ○ [ted.com](ted.com)
    - ■ "Ideas worth spreading."
  - ○ thebanmappingproject.com/
    - ■ Provides a variety of information, videos and 3d plans of the tombs in the Valley of the Kings.
  - ○ tinyurl.com
    - ■ Tiny URL lets you make long, complicated web addresses shorten and easier to type.

- ○ voki.com
  - ■ Create your own animated, talking avatar.
- ○ wolframalpha.com
  - ■ They label themselves a "computational knowledge engine."
- ○ donorschoose.org
  - ■ Endorsed by Oprah, among others, you can explain what your students need and why, and then donors can give them to you. It doesn't cost anything to try.
- IT Resources
  - ○ nyscate.org
    - ■ New York State Association for Computers and Technology in Education - free membership
  - ○ iste.org
    - ■ International Society for Technology in Education
  - ○ edudemic.com
    - ■ A source for some of the latest trends in technology in education, as well as resources.
  - ○ educatorstechnology.com
    - ■ This blog focuses on mobile learning, so a good source for phones, apps, social media, etc.
  - ○ freetech4teachers.com
    - ■ As you might guess, a blog devoted to sharing free tech resources with teachers.
  - ○ catlintucker.com
    - ■ An English teacher in California, she is well respected in the field of blended learning.
  - ○ kbakerbyodlit.blogspot.com
    - ■ Another ELA teacher blogging about BYOD and other issues in technology.
  - ○ twitter.com
    - ■ There are a huge number of teachers and organizations tweeting great info all the time