

The following websites have been researched and recommended by educators. They are listed in the following categories: art,

Art Websites

Albright-Knox Artgames

<http://www.kids.albrightknox.org/>

Albright-Knox Artgames by Albright-Knox Art Gallery, Buffalo, New York: Interactive art gallery and games for kids. It can be used with both elementary and older students. Included are links to the real art gallery's web page.

Cleveland Museum of Art

<http://www.clevelandart.org/kids/art/index.html>

Cleveland Museum of Art, Ohio: recommended for elementary grades and up, it includes games, art facts, Egyptian art, knights in armor, projects, free printable materials, and an art quiz in "The Attic".

The Art Zone

<http://www.nga.gov/kids/zone/zone.htm>

The Art Zone is sponsored by The National Gallery of Art. It is interactive art that you can make online. The interactive art includes Collage Machine, BRUSHster, Photo Op, Jungle, Paintbox, Still life, which can be arranged, changed, painted over and much more. Students can create slide shows of the works they've created.

Art Teacher on the Net

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

Art Teacher on the Net; (couldn't find list of sponsors), but, it offers free art lesson plans for a variety of age levels, and links to Presidential Libraries and artwork. Art of Many Lands includes art ideas for several countries/cultures and a hot list already prepared for the teacher. Plans for scouts and Sunday school teachers are also included.

The Incredible Art Department

<http://www.princetonol.com/groups/iad/>

The Incredible Art Department by Ken Rohrer and Judy Decker; An awesome art site that includes everything; free K-12 art lesson plans, hot lists, games, blogs, artists, galleries, contests, rubrics, clip art, and much more. Jackson Pollock art project link is included.

The Artists Toolkit

<http://www.artsconnected.org/toolkit/>

The Artists Toolkit by The Minneapolis Institute of Art: Artists use visual elements and principles like line, color, and shape as tools to build works of art. Watch a short show, or watch and create your own artwork. Teachers can set up "My Toolbox" to customize a lesson for students and bookmark it to use in class.

Official Crayola Site

URL: <http://www.crayola.com>

Crayola LLC: Free coloring pages, craft ideas, game ideas, ideas for parents and lesson plans as well as products for sale.

Wordle

<http://wordle.net>

Wordle is a “toy” for generating “word clouds” from text that you provide. It’s fun! You can use different fonts, layouts, and color schemes to suit the purpose of your creation of school items, invitations, and more. You can print or save to a gallery.

Math Websites

World of Math Online

<http://math.com>

World of Math Online by Leap of Faith Financial Services, Inc.: dedicated to providing a variety of ways for students, parents, teachers to learn math. Included are assessments, on-demand modular courses, 24/7 live online tutoring, lesson plans, links to worksheets, drill & practice opportunities, expert answers to math questions, and more.

Education Place

<http://www.eduplace.com/> and <http://eduplace.com/kids/mhm>

Education Place by Houghton Mifflin: a good site to practice ITBS test-taking skills for math. Other nice offerings are strategies and immediate feedback. Plus, it’s **fun!**

Math Games

***FunBrain**

<http://www.funbrain.com/numbers.html>

*FunBrain by Pearson Education – Family Education Network has won numerous awards. It teaches concepts of fractions, money, graphs, and measurements. You will also find games to improve spelling, vocabulary, sign language, grammar, science, etc. An excellent site for grades 2-5.

Math Cats

<http://www.mathcats.com/explore.html>

Math Cats by Wendy Petti offers games that teach place value, story problems, time, geometry, and fact families. Younger students would need help with the math concepts. The site has won numerous awards in the past, nothing recently.

Professor Garfield

http://www.professorgarfield.org/pgf_kbkids.html

Professor Garfield by Professor Garfield Foundation; is K-6 grade level. Curriculum areas included other than math is language arts, social studies, and science. Characters and graphics are very kid friendly. Pages may be a little slow to load.

Toon University

<http://www.toonuniversity.com/free/math-games-4th-6th.asp>

This site features math games for 4-6 grades and covers place value, angles, multiplication, prime factoring, and converting fractions to decimals. Games are very fun and educational at the same time. Pages do contain advertisements. If you click on “more games” you can get to the main page which includes games for reading, grammar, science and social studies, although you have to be a paying member to view those.

Reading Websites

KidsReads.com

<http://www.kidsreads.com/authors/authors.asp>

Carol Fitzgerald is the founder and President. She is an avid reader and felt passionate about providing information for children of all ages about books. This web site is part of *The Book Report Network* which shares reviews of books, information on authors, and other fun activities for kids of all ages. Also, this website is full of colorful and stimulating graphics, which kids will enjoy, and offers links to authors’ websites.

Carol Hurst’s Children’s Literature Site

<http://www.carolhurst.com>

Rebecca Otis an author in her own right but worked extensively with her mother Carol Otis Hurst in writing literature guides for teachers. This is an excellent site for teachers to get information for units that span their entire curriculum. It contains stimulating and thought provoking articles and links to other websites that are equally useful. There just isn’t enough time in a day to read it all.

Peggy Sharp

<http://www.peggysharp.com>

Peggy Sharp is a well-known authority on children’s literature. She has given workshops all over the country and her name is synonymous with good books. This site is a good one for both classroom teachers as well as librarians. Not only can you find good books, you have the opportunity to link with other sites that contain good books. Ideas on how to use the books are also given.

Jan Brett

<http://www.janbrett.com>

Author and illustrator, Jan Brett, has served up a great site for students, parents, teachers and librarians. How can you not feel happy after a visit? It has lots of activities for students ... **it is just plain fun!** Students love her books, they love to see pictures of her, and now they can or even blog Jan Brett. Students, parents, and teachers can see the amount of research Jan puts into her works!

Mary Pope Osborne

<http://www.marypopeosborne.com>

Author, Mary Pope Osborne's (MPO's) home site allows you to learn about her books, to find out what she is doing, to see her touring schedule, and more. Avid readers can stay informed! There are activities and even quizzes that students can take when you go to the Magic Tree House site.

Kids @ Random

<http://www.randomhouse.com/kids/index.pperl>

Random House's site is fun, colorful, and useful for kids, parents, and teachers alike. There are Teacher's Guides for books published by Random House. Kids can click on the icons for their favorite characters.

Patricia Polacco

<http://www.patriciapolacco.com>

Author, Patricia Polacco, has a good website. She has her books listed and there are activities for students. Bookmarks are available for downloading and printing. It is always fun for students to go to the websites of authors that they have studied. There are some ads on the sidebars, but not too distracting.

Jerry Pallotta Home Page

<http://www.jerrypallotta.com/index.html>

Jerry Pallotta talks about himself, about his books (the inviting covers make you want to read them all), and gives away hidden secrets about his books. He has a fun "Hangman" game.

Pilkey.com

<http://www.pilkey.com>

This is the website of author/illustrator, Dave Pilkey. It hasn't been updated for some time but it still has his quirky illustrations. Students may enjoy navigating the site and playing the different games along the way.

Just One More Book

www.justonemorebook.com

Andrea Ross and Mark Blevis are a husband-wife team of IT Professionals who are raising two daughters. Andrea and Mark are very passionate about children's books and talk about them through podcasts. They have an extensive archive of interviews that they've done and this is a great resource to use yet another technology with students.

James Patterson's Read Kiddo Read

<http://readkiddoread.com>

This site is the brainchild of author, James Patterson. His goal is to help parents and educators connect children with books that will turn them into lifelong readers. The site is colorful, easy to navigate, the titles are hand-picked by qualified professional, and there are links to websites for these people as well. You can find reading suggestions from

infants to middle school children and up. You can search by ages or genre, further reading lists are available; you can even get links to purchase books (surprise, surprise).

The Official Eric Carle Web Site

<http://www.eric-carle.com/home.html>

The following quote from web site does not make it clear as to the sponsor of the website. "All images in this web site are copyright protected, please do not download or otherwise make use of them. Eric Carle's name and the signature logotype are trademarks of Eric Carle."

Description: About Eric Carle, list of books, FAQ with Eric's answers, list of resources, photo album and a link to Eric's personal blog ... great for an author study.

Starfall

<http://www.starfall.com>

by Starfall Education: great reading readiness and reading activities and downloads to support activities. Primarily designed for first grade, Starfall is also useful for pre kindergarten, kindergarten and second grade. It is useful in alphabet recognition and phonetic sound activities. Be sure to check out the "Learn to Read" section in which students are presented with picture books, one page at a time. Students are able to click on one sentence at a time to hear it read aloud as the computer highlights the words.

Science Websites

Science Bob.com

<http://www.sciencebob.com>

Science Bob Pflugfelder: great for Science Fair ideas. It gives students ideas and helps as far as knowing the scientific method. There are videos of experiments. The design of the website is enticing with having a button that says, "Whatever you do don't click here." Yeah, right, every kid will click the button!

Science Buddies

<http://www.sciencebuddies.org>

Kenneth Lafferty Hess Family Charitable Foundation: This website is a wealth of information for students, parents and teachers about **Science Fair projects**. There are project ideas, project guides, information for teachers, and the opportunity to ask an expert.

You can sign up for a free newsletter from Science Buddies. It will give you new tips on Science Fairs or projects. It is a website that has received the Parent's Choice Recommended Award, the American Library Association Great Websites for Kids and has been reviewed and selected for SciLinks, a service of the National Science Teachers Association.

IPL Kidspace

<http://www.ipl.org>

The Internet Public Library is hosted by [The iSchool at Drexel, College of Information Science and Technology](#), with major support from the [College of Information at Florida State University](#). This is kid-friendly, easy to navigate, gives a myriad of subjects to explore, and links to additional sites offering great information.

Weather Links

<http://www.weatherwizkids.com/wxlinks.htm>

By Crystal Wicker, a television meteorologist for the ABC affiliate in Indianapolis, Indiana. It is designed especially for kids to allow them to learn more about the world of weather. It benefits teachers and parents by giving them the right tools to explain the different types of weather.

Ology

<http://amnh.org/ology>

This site is by American Museum of Natural History: This elementary science site is colorful and offers lots of information without having to read several pages of text.

Planets/Solar System

***Astronomy picture of the day**

<http://antwarp.gsfc.nasa.gov/apod/astropix.html>

By professional astronomers, Robert Nemiroff & Jerry Bonnell: Robert is a professor at Michigan Technological University and Jerry is a scientist at NASA. The site is full of beautiful photographs with description, written for a wide variety of ages, grade 1 thru junior high. Although the lower elementary may not understand most of the text, the pictures are still worth the viewing.

F9 Kids

<http://kids.f9.net.uk/>

Sponsoring organization is not readily available. This site offers short fun facts about each of the planets, games, stories, worksheets to print, colorfully animated, appealing to early elementary ages.

NASA Space Place

<http://spaceplace.nasa.gov/en/kids/goes/planets/>

Diane Fisher/NASA: facts about weather on each of the planets, games and projects, this web-site has won 27 awards, best for grades 2-5.

Newsround

http://news.bbc.co.uk/cbbcnews/hi/find_out/guides/tech/aliens/newsid_2636000/2636827

[.stm](#) CBBC Newsround-London updates the web-site: Info regarding if there is life on other planets, what they might look like, if people have seen aliens, which planets they

would live on etc., brief, interesting facts ... **but ... caution** ... if you click on any of the links you are getting the daily/weekly news in London.

Nine Planets

<http://kids.nineplanets.org/>

William A. Arnett: overview of the nine planets for upper elementary students, photos, movies, observatories, no advertisements or links to other unrelated sites, organized in an interesting way with colorful graphics on one side of the screen and planet notes on the other, good for upper elementary students. There is a link to the “big stuff” for junior high and high school students.

***Fact Monster**

<http://www.factmonster.com/ipka/A0909527.html>

Pearson Education: very appealing home page, information about how the planets and satellites got their names, also contains curriculum on math, social studies, offers games, etc. There are advertisements and pop-ups, otherwise a good curriculum site.

***Starchild**

<http://starchild.gsfc.nasa.gov/>

Phil Newman-NASA & Dr. Laura Whitlock: a great site on planets. contains two different learning levels, elementary and junior high, lesson plan ideas for teachers, links to other web-sites about the solar system and space, the site has received numerous awards, excellent games, glossary, facts, question of the month, and quizzes.

***Windows to the Universe**

<http://www.windows.ucar.edu/tour/link=/jupiter/jupiter.html&edu=mid>

Randy Russell source of info from University Corporation for Atmospheric Research: This web-site has won numerous awards and is written in three different levels, elementary through high school. Topics include myths, history, people, space weather and space missions, geology, physics, and a very thorough overview of each planet. Also includes teacher resources ... very extensive web-site, excellent!

Animals/Wildlife

***Defenders of Wildlife – Kid’s Planet**

www.kidsplanet.org

Defenders of Wildlife, Washington DC: This is an award winning site and one of the “great sites for kids”! Features: description of endangered species and also lists species by continent, thorough fact sheet on each animal, some animals have photographs and a video clip, great games, stories, excellent teacher’s resource with lesson plans along with activities and more games. There is a place on each page to adopt an animal. There is a separate info section on the World Wide Wolf efforts with information and curriculum for teachers to create a unit. This is an excellent site.

***Environmental Education for Kids – EEK!**

<http://www.dnr.state.wi.us/org/caer/ce/eeek/earth/endangered.htm>

Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources: Critter corner has information about birds, reptiles, amphibians, insects, mammals, endangered species, alien plants, and animal invaders. Some of the fact sheets have sound clips of the animal. Also, there is a section on recycling, and a section on careers, such as forestry, biologist, park ranger, warden, etc. You could spend hours at this very interesting site.

World Wildlife Federation – Washington, DC

<http://www.worldwildlife.org/species/index.html>

Their mission statement is provided, as well as a request for donations, but beyond that, the site has great information on protected species and a beautiful photo gallery. There is also a section devoted to climate change and its effect. Pages can be wordy so, perhaps, best for upper elementary students.

Satellite Tracking of Endangered Birds & Animals

<http://www.spacetoday.org/Satellites/Tracking/SatTracking.html>

Space Today On-Line describes how animals are tracked by satellites. The site lists the animals they are tracking and you can click on each animal for the information they have learned from the data collected. They have a link to the migration map.

Wildlife Conservation

<http://www.nwf.org/wildlife/>

National Wildlife Federation: information on animals that are on the Endangered Species List in the United States, facts, photos, but no games. Also, there is a place to adopt animals, and a place to make donations.

The Living Desert

<http://www.livingdesert.org/>

The zoo web site for Living Desert Palm Desert, California: photos and facts on desert animals and plants, games, and numerous coloring sheets with facts, good for lower and middle elementary children.

Natural History Notebooks

<http://www.nature.ca/notebooks/english/mammpg.htm>

Canadian Museum of Nature: facts on over 250 animal species including dinosaurs and prehistoric animals, photo gallery of the animal and a map showing where they are found, links to numerous sites ... if you want more information on particular species, middle to upper elementary.

***National Geographic Kids**

www.kids.nationalgeographic.com

National Geographic Society: received Parent's Choice Award for 2008, contains info on animals, games, photos, videos, activities, also has info on space, history, people and places, an all-around excellent site for elementary students, a small amount of advertisements.

The Rodale Institute's Kids regen.org

<http://www.kidsregen.org/educators/>

“Kidsregen.org is part of The Rodale Institute's® Youth Educational Program. Located in Kutztown, Pennsylvania, USA, The Rodale Institute is a non-profit charity dedicated to sharing its expertise on organic/regenerative farming methods with people worldwide to achieve a regenerative food system that renews environmental and human health.” (Quote is taken from the web site.)

Many good ideas on gardening and farming, and fitness and health are featured here.

Teachers Websites

TeachersFirst.com

<http://www.teachersfirst.com>

TeachersFirst is a division of [The Source for Learning, Inc.](#), a not-for-profit learning technologies corporation, which works with hundreds of schools throughout the United States. This website is one that you can join for free. It then allows you to save your information and build upon what you have bookmarked. It is user friendly, covers current topics, gives suggestions of ways to differentiate lessons, saves time, and offers fresh ideas to cover the topics.

EduScapes: a site for life long learners

<http://educscapes.com>

Annette Lamb and Larry Johnson, husband-wife team, are life long learners. They have taught in the classroom and have been library media specialists. This site has been in existence since 1998.

Whoa, talk about a gold mine, this is it! Whether student, teacher, or parent, you can find many activities to engage all learners. They have put together a tremendous amount of information. There is very little advertising. They will have a link to Amazon.com so that you can go straight there and purchase materials, if you desire, as well as links to other book browsing sites. No matter what your discipline, this site is of value.

Kathy Schrock's Guide for Educators

<http://school.discoveryeducation.com/schrockguide/edles.html>

Kathy Schrock's Guide for Educators: Lesson Plans and Thinking Skills by Discovery Education; a wealth of information is located at this site. Offerings are; lesson plans galore for K-12, teacher tools, news events, today in history, test taking strategies, libraries and literacy, links to webquests, and more!

Lesson Plans and Teaching Strategies

<http://www.csun.edu/~hcedu013/plans.html#Lesson>

Lesson Plans and Teaching Strategies by Marty Levine (?) or Academy Curricular Exchange Columbia Education Center and OFCN Academy. Teachers and parents can

find a great number of lesson plans in social studies and misc. areas for grades K-12 as well as several teaching strategies ... all of which will be useful.

Online Spelling Program

www.spellingcity.com

Online Spelling Program offers over 38,000 spelling words and eight spelling games, k-12 spelling lists are offered. One can select lists by age, sounds, Dolch lists, and topics, and more. You can customize your own word lists and create games and puzzles.

Keyboarding Practice

<http://www.davis.k12.ut.us/cjh/appliedtech/Business/Keyboarding/Index.html>

Keyboarding Practice: 17 keyboarding lessons/practice can download; printable version available, a simple site ... no frills, didn't find any measures or checks for accuracy and words-per-minute.

Krazy Keyboarding for Kids

<http://webinstituteformteachers.org/~gammakeys/Lesson/Lesson1.htm>

Krazy Keyboarding for Kids by Carisa Johnson, Michelle Nelson, and Sharon Townsend: 16 lessons, review, print and graphic directions, simple ... no frills, didn't find any measures or checks for accuracy and words-per-minute.

Iowa State University Extension of Scott

<http://www.extension.iastate.edu/scott>

Iowa State University Extension of Scott, part of the ISU Extension by Iowa State University. This is worth looking into; staff members are listed, including a picture, title and email addresses; local council member are listed; help offered with home or family needs; child development guides are available, teaching units/kits are available for checkout; classes are offered, 4-H programs, you may purchase educational booklets and other materials ... to name just a few of their services.

Birth to Six

<http://www.multcolib.org/birthtosix/index.html>

Birth to Six; is by Multnamah County Library. This site includes information about: early literacy skills, how to help your child get ready to read, and suggestions of how to read to different ages: babies, toddlers, and preschoolers. Etc. Booklists are provided. It discusses the role reading plays in brain development and provides information about early childhood resources and programs, including Early Words.

Eastern Iowa Community College

<http://www.eicc.edu/>

<http://www.eicc.edu/highschool/programs/ged/index.html>

Eastern Iowa Community College: gives all the help and information needed to acquiring a G.E.D., as well as a wealth of other information.

Iowa Department of Education

http://www.iowa.gov/educate/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=301&Itemid=1335 (or)

<http://www.davenport.k12.ia.us/supportservices/homeschool.asp>

Iowa Department of Education: by the state of Iowa: Competent private instruction (CPI) is private instruction provided to a child in Iowa. "Private instruction" means instruction using a plan and course of study in a setting other than a public school district or accredited nonpublic school. The CPI category includes both home schooled children and those in non-accredited nonpublic "schools." ...as per [Iowa Code](#) section 299A.1; 281--[Iowa Administrative Code](#) 31.

Teach-nology

<http://www.teach-nology.com/>

Teach-nology Incorporated: Includes free lessons, rubrics, worksheets, puzzles and more. This site does require membership to access certain materials and includes many ads.

Scholastic Teaching Resources and Children's Book Recommendations

<http://www2.scholastic.com/browse/home.jsp>

Scholastic Teaching Resources by Scholastic, Inc: teaching resources, student activities, books and authors, lesson plans, printable resources, strategies, tools, Scholastic News online, all about authors, etc.

The Mailbox

URL: <http://www.theeducationcenter.com/cgi-bin/tec/guest.jsp>

The Mailbox by The Education Center, Inc.: This site is for The Mailbox Magazine, one of teachers' favorite publications. There are a number of ideas that can be accessed even without becoming a member or subscribing to the magazine and the ideas on the site change monthly. There is also a blog connected to the site in which contributions of ideas can be made and viewed. You will find any usable ideas.

Sites for Teachers

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

Sites for Teachers: Contains a list of hundreds of educator websites with brief descriptions of each. They are rated by popularity. Anyone can add their website to the list if the site is educational and if the website follows the rules listed. No pop ups, misleading, or tricks allowed. Some sites are free and others require membership.

Tools for Educators

URL: <http://www.toolsforeducators.com/>

Tools for Educators by MES English: This is a website of free resources that allows a user to make activities for the classroom with no fee or membership required. It offers the bingo game maker, the board game maker, domino maker, certificate creator, dice maker and the maze maker.

Gamequarium

URL: <http://gamequarium.org/>

Gamequarium by Diana Dell, Webmaster, Contact: SqoolTechs, LLC, 331 Fairview Drive, Union, MO 63084 Phone: 800-516-0544 , Fax: 888-467-8241, Email:

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Opportunities for Learning!

Many games can be accessed without becoming a member. Games have various sources and vary in quality so it would be good to try each one and evaluate before using.

Core Knowledge Foundation

<http://www.coreknowledge.org>

By The Core Knowledge Foundation | 801 E. High Street | Charlottesville, VA 22902
(434) 977-7550 | (800) 238-3233

There are many excellent detailed units for all grade levels. Great ideas to use in teaching can be found here.

History Link 101

<http://historylink101.com/>

History Link 101 is by Eric Rymer, a World History Teacher in Ohio. This is a history site that includes art lessons and art slide shows of works from different cultures.

State Information Websites

50states.com

Double click on your state for information

<http://www.50states.com/>

The US50

Click on your state on the map for information

<http://www.tehus50.com/>

The 50 States of the United States

Check directory on left side of screen – click on letters of the alphabet to go to information about your state

<http://www.teacheroz.com/states.htm>

The 50 States

<http://www.teachersfirst.com/share/states/>

Enchanted Learning

Scroll down screen for list of states

<http://www.enchantedlearning.com/usa/states/>

The 50 All American States

Click on your state on the map

<http://www.globalcomputing.com/states.html>

Internet Public Library – Facts about the States

<http://www.ipl.org/div/stateknow/>

Children's Literature Websites

Index to Internet Sites: Children's and Young Adults' Authors & Illustrators

Scroll down the page for individual links

This index is maintained by the Internet School Library Media Center, which is hosted by James Madison University.

<http://falcon.jmu.edu/~ramsevil/biochildhome.htm>

Children's Literature Web Guide

Authors and Illustrators on the Internet

Extensive directory of official author sites

<http://www.acs.ucalgary.ca/~dkbrown/authors.html>

Carol Hurst's Children's Literature Site

Scroll page for several links

<http://www.carolhurst.com/authors/authors.html>

Kidsread.com Author page

<http://www.kidsreads.com/authors/authors.asp>

Fairrosa Cyber Library of Children's Literature

<http://www.fairrosa.info/cl.authors.html>

Yahoo Kids! Authors!

This site lists web pages that contain information about children's authors and illustrators. A one-sentence summary is provided for each link that is recommended

<http://kids.yahoo.com/directory/School-Bell/Language-Arts/Authors>

Children's Authors in the Yahoo Directory

http://dir.yahoo.com/Arts/Humanities/Literature/Authors/Children_s/

Children's Authors and Illustrators

Children's Book Council

Directory of authors and illustrators....links to their home pages

<http://www.cbcbooks.org/contacts/>

Search Engines

- Google <http://www.google.com/>
- AltaVista <http://www.altavista.com/>
- FAST <http://www.alltheweb.com/>
- IxQuick <http://ixquick.com/eng>
- Vivisimo <http://vivisimo.com/>
- Scirus (Science) <http://www.scirus.com/>
- Yahoo News <http://news.yahoo.com/>
- Alta Vista Photo Finder <http://www.altavista.com/sites/search/simage>
- FAST Multimedia Search <http://multimedia.alltheweb.com/>
- Librarian's index to the internet
 - This web page lists all the major search engines
 - <http://lii.org/search/file/searchtools>

Search Engine Showdown: The Users' Guide to Web Searching

Site is developed and updated by Greg Notiss. Info about the web site is found at this address:
<http://www.searchengineshowdown.com/about.shtml>

Search Engine Showdown Review chart (compares major web search engines)
<http://www.searchengineshowdown.com/features/>

Kids Safe Search Engines

- AltaVista Family Filter <http://www.altavista.com/sites/search/ffset>
- Ask Jeeves for Kids <http://www.askforkids.com/>
- Yahooigans! <http://www.yahooligans.com/>

Web Searching Tips

- Kid's Search Tools <http://www.kidsclick.org/ksearch.html>
 - Has a link to GEM: Gateway to Educational Materials, sponsored by NEA
- Search Strategies <http://www.notess.com/search/strat>

Mainly the well known names are used..

Site does list activities and teacher resources for those present

<http://webtech.kennesaw.edu/jcheek3/authors.htm>

Internet Public Library

Limited choices, dated interviews the IPL did with each author/illustrator

<http://www.ipl.org/div/kidspace/askauthor/>

