



The Global Sun Temperature Project

Online correspondence, online research

From April 7 to June 13, 2008, students can measure the temperature and keep track of the hours of sunlight in their town each day. The data will be compared and contrasted with other schools to determine how geographic location affects the environment. The website includes useful lesson plans, reference materials, and a discussion area.

Subject Areas: Science, Social Studies
www.k12science.org/curriculum/tempproj3/en/

Science Explorations

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Courtesy of Scholastic, this extensive science-based website offers a number of interesting interactive projects. The Environmental Report Card, for example, has a forum to discuss issues such as wildfires, alternative energy, and endangered species. Ask a Scientist lets students send queries to the experts at the American Museum of Natural History. And, Write a Letter gives their voices a chance to be heard in Washington, D.C.

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teacher.scholastic.com/activities/explorations/

Monarch Watch

Online correspondence, online research

From the University of Kansas, this site not only shows students how to raise monarchs and build your own butterfly garden. It also has a perfect spring research project that lets students pair up with scientists to monitor larvae and tag monarchs.

Subject Area: Science
monarch@ku.edu
www.monarchwatch.org/

To Kill a Mockingbird Discussion

Online correspondence

This online book club focuses on Harper Lee's classic novel. It is notable for using Web 2.0 blogs, IRC chat programs, and Wikis. With these tools, students improve their writing fluency as they discuss the themes and elements of the novel. The project is aimed at middle school students and ends May 29, 2008.

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