

Monthly Newsletter



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Technology Tutorials and Online Technology Courses https://www.virtuallrc.com/technology_tutorials.html

Virtual LRC has a new set of resources for technology, including HTML and CSS tutorials, robotics videos, artificial intelligence, computer science courses, and 3D printing tutorials. There are additional resources for beginners who want to start creating web pages. For advanced technology users, many of these resources are a perfect resource for your coding.



World Religions

Are you or your students studying world religions? Explore our new resource page on religion on Infotopia, with new resources being added weekly.

http://www.infotopia.info/religion.html



Parlez-vous français? ¿Habla usted español?

Read some wonderful fairy tales in French, English, German, Italian or Spanish from **The Fable Cottage**, a new website from the creators of The French/Spanish/ Italian Experiment and German Project. Here are just a few samples in French and Spanish. Perfect for language learners!

https://www.thefrenchexperiment.com/ https://www.thespanishexperiment.com/

https://www.thefablecottage.com/french https://www.thefablecottage.com/spanish

Welcome!

Welcome to the students and teachers from Goa, India! We are happy you are using Infotopia.info, VirtualLRC.com, Infotrek.info, and Kidtopia.info for your research needs!



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As you know we (Carole and Mike Bell) created Infotopia, Virtual LRC, Kidtopia, Infotrek, and more, starting in 1998 and provide them for free to our users. We are two retired teachers/librarians and we personally do all the research and coding. We have very few ads, and we self-fund all the hosting, software, and fees for our websites.

If you and your students use our search engines/websites, please show us some appreciation by signing up to become a patron of Infotopia. You can select from \$3 a month as an Infotopia Insider, \$8 a month as a VIP Patron, or \$15 a month as a Diamond Patron. Each tier receives special benefits, accessible only to patrons of Infotopia.

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As always, we appreciate your emails letting us know how much you appreciate us and how we can improve our services!

Check out some of our free (public) posts from our Patreon page to see if you might be interested in joining. In the future, posts will be only for Patreon members.

Who's Your Daddy, Hercules?

https://www.patreon.com/posts/38673199

Folktales and Fairy Tales

https://www.patreon.com/posts/38672874

What's the Matter? (The States of Matter)

https://www.patreon.com/posts/38921740

Did you know that Infotopia Patrons are eligible for a monthly prize drawing (1 entry per lifetime dollar pledged)?















Help! How do I cite my references?

The Past....When I was a high school student, I had to figure out how to create a bibliography for a research paper by checking titles, authors, publisher names, etc. It was a painful process if you used different types of sources such as magazines, newspapers, films, or encyclopedias. (I was in high school long before computers, the Internet, and streaming video existed.)

Also, remember that the whole paper plus the bibliography had to be typed on a manual typewriter! Am I dating myself?)

<u>The Present.....</u>If you use one of Infotopia's recommended free citation maker sites, it's extremely easy.

Our favorite is definitely KnightCite. You first select the format (MLA, APA, or Chicago) that you want for your bibliography, as required by your teacher or school. Then you select the type of resource (book, anthology, periodical, multimedia, communication medium such as an interview or radio or television program, or an online resource, whether it's a website or just a web page. Once you fill in all the required information, the citation is completed for you. Just copy and paste it into your bibliography page. Isn't that amazing?

For online resources, the citation maker actually enters the date that you are accessing the web site. Be sure to make sure that the date listed is the actual date that you accessed the website the first time, in case you are doing the bibliography after the fact. (I learned this the hard way by helping some students document their resources for a science fair.)

https://www.calvin.edu/library/knightcite/

Infotopia has eight great resources that include creating citations, all about plagiarism, and help with writing as well.

https://www.infotopia.info/citations.html

Send us your comments. Which citation maker is your favorite?

Our search engines/web directories include:

https://www.infotopia.info
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We appreciate your feedback and we love to hear from you!

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Dinosaurs are "Dino-mite!"

Learn all about dinosaurs with these resources from Kidtopia for students in grades K-4.

https://www.kidtopia.info/dinosaurs.html

Here are two of our favorite resources for kids:

https://www.enchantedlearning.com/subjects/dinosaurs/ https://www.sciencekids.co.nz/dinosaurs.html

Need lesson plans on dinosaurs? Check out these recommended ideas from the American Museum of Natural History:

https://bit.ly/31L19Tt