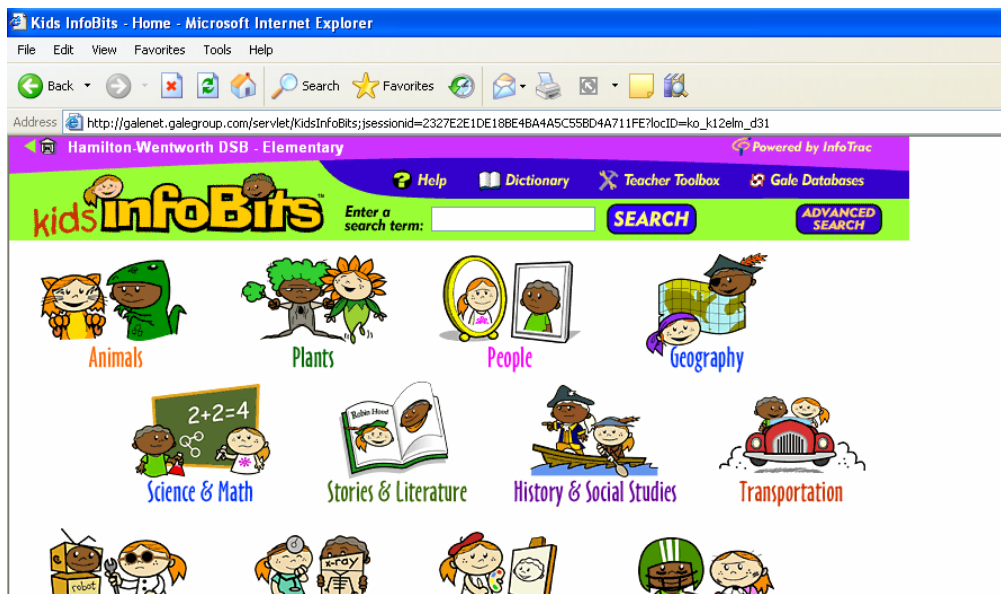


Incorporating Kids InfoBits into a Lesson on the Natural Resources of the Provinces and Territories (Grade 4 Social Studies)

Assignment: Students will use Kids Infobits to research information about natural resources in the provinces and territories.

Initial preparation

- Determine the scope of the assignment, e.g., will students work alone or in groups? How many provinces/territories will each student research? What will the end product of the research be?
- Open **Kids InfoBits** and select **Geography**.



- On the Geography page, the provinces and territories are under **Canadian Provinces**. There is also some good material on Canada's natural resources under **Countries/Canada**.
- When you click on a topic (in this case a province or territory), the window that opens has six tabs across the top:
 - Reference (articles from reference materials like encyclopedias)
 - Magazines (articles from magazines)
 - Newspapers (articles from newspapers)
 - Maps, Flags & Seals
 - Charts & Graphs
 - Images

Note: **The Reference** tab is open by default.

Note: Not all topics have documents under every tab. Tabs that have documents change colour when you hover the mouse pointer over them.

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"Alberta." *Junior Worldmark Encyclopedia of the Canadian Provinces*, 4th ed. U*X*L, . Province Overview

- View some of the documents under each of the tabs to get a sense of the sort of information that is provided and the reading level. You'll be able to direct students to the richest sources if you are familiar with the content.
- Things to note while viewing:
 - Reading level difficulty is indicated by a symbol.
 - The presence of a picture in a document is indicated by a small camera icon.
 - The title of the document is hyperlinked so that you can click on it to see the full text.
 - Some magazine documents can be displayed, printed and saved in PDF. A small Adobe icon indicates when this is possible to do.
- The students will need to cite the source of their research. Under the **Teacher Toolbox**, you can find a form that you can download to assist students with this.

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"One-third of British Columbia's Great Bear Rainforest." (Brief article) *Science Activities* Fall 2006 v43 i3 p37(1)

"The value of a tree in British Columbia." Johnson, Rebecca


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