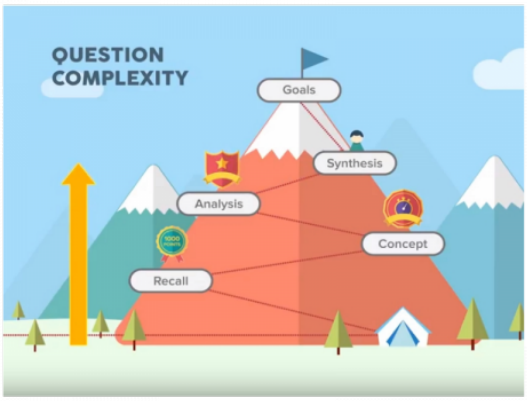
Story-Based Learning Through AwesomeStories



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AwesomeStories is an online-learning site, packed with rich and varied stories, supporting teachers and students in many subjects from 3rd grade to high school (and beyond).

AwesomeStories:

- Produces curriculum-supporting stories, popular-culture topics, current events and 21st-century media;
- Researches context and presents organized, relevant primary sources to fuel lessons;
- Supports teachers; and
- Maximizes student interest, achievement, enjoyment, retention, growth and career-readiness.

Teachers find stories to make lessons come alive. They discover primary sources to enrich instruction and students' independent research—with confidence that the material is accurate and relevant.

Students follow a captivating story, learn the surprising details behind the story, delve deeper, consider essential questions, see connections and achieve learning goals using AwesomeStories—all done with confidence in the accuracy of the materials.

AwesomeStories:

- Turns powerful stories into an effective 21st-century learning model;
- Bridges highly produced and high-interest films to learning;
- Provides meticulously researched context, extensions and primary sources; and
- Builds research, critical thinking and collaboration skills.

Each captivating story links to relevant primary resources, building a rich context for the story, as well as enabling a story to support:

- Deeper study;
- Cross-curricular instruction;

- Collaborative investigation;
- Project-based learning; and
- Personalized learning.

Teachers lead students—who have their own, individual logins—through the resources in class or set students loose on AwesomeStories in, or outside, school. They are exploring in a safe, reliable, engaging, authentic-research website to pursue the learning objectives independently and/or collaboratively—according to student level and teacher preference.

AwesomeStories provides solutions to these three urgent education challenges:

- **Common Core standards challenge teachers** to use more non-fiction information texts, to lead students in developing higher-order thinking skills and to enable reflection, integration, analysis and evaluation.
- **Technology and media integration are now required** by states so schools, and districts, must show that their teachers know how to take advantage of technology and media in teaching.
- **Research has changed with the advent of the Internet.** Libraries and media specialists are working to help teachers and students understand requirements and meet standards.

Teachers and parents report that AwesomeStories is an excellent framework for teaching elementary through high-school levels. AwesomeStories is used not only to drive core curriculum but also to meet the specific needs of ESL instruction, Special Education, Gifted and Talented, Home School and Career-Education programs.

See Alignments to State and Common Core standards for this story online at:
http://www.awesomestories.com/asset/AcademicAlignment/Story-Based-Learning-Through-AwesomeStories-User Guide

See Learning Tasks for this story online at:
http://www.awesomestories.com/asset/AcademicActivities/Story-Based-Learning-Through-AwesomeStories-UserGuide