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Activinspire Training Part 2
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Today I will be using the activips videos from the Promethean Planet website. To view the short videos go to www.prometheanplanet.com and click on "Professional Development" then "Activtips" I have also been creating my own short videos on www.sgusdedtech.weebly.com

Review and questions

Layering/Magic ink/Magic Reveals

Spotlight Tool, Edit, Zoom, User Defined Buttons

Discovery Streaming - http://streaming.discoveryeducation.com/. If you do not already have a user name and password I will give you a passcode for your school. On the login screen, click on "Passcode/New User" and create an account.

1. Once you log in, search for a video by entering keyword(s) in the search box and choosing grade, subject and media type. Video Segment is the best type for embedding into ActivInspire.
2. Click on the title of the video you would like to preview and press the play button to watch it.
3. To download, click on the "download" button just above the video. The video you are watching will say "playing" next to it. Click on the down arrow in the "download" column next to the title of the video.
4. Choose a place on your computer to save the video to and click "save."

How to add videos to a flipchart (Embedding Video ActivTip)

1. Download a video from Discovery Streaming. Make sure you download your video to a place where you can find it!
2. In Activinspire click "insert" in the top toolbar then "media…" Find the video you would like to embed, select it, then click "open"
3. To stop it from playing automatically, open your browsers (click "view" then "browsers") then click on the property browser (picture on left).
4. Select the video by clicking on it. Under "Multimedia" in the property browser change autoplay to "false"
5. To extract still pictures form the video click on the camera icon below the video while the video is playing. To change the placeholder image, click the icon of the photo at a point in the movie you would like.

Objects and Sounds

1. In Activinspire make sure your sound recorder is set to save to disk. To do this:
   a. Click on "File" in the top right of the screen
   b. Click on "settings"
   c. In the menu on the left side, click "recordings"

     d. Choose "save to disk" in the menu on the right of sound recordings and press "done"
2. Open the sound recorder by going to "tools" then "more tools" and clicking on "Sound recorder"
3. Press the red record button and speak. When finished, click on the black stop button.
4. This opens up a box to save your file. Save it somewhere where will you be able to locate it. **Make sure you name and type .wav at the end of the name.**
5. Right click on the picture or text you would like to add the sound file to. Choose "Insert link to file"
6. Find the sound file your just created, click it, and click "open"
7. When the next window comes up, choose "Store file in flipchart" in the middle of the page and press "OK"

Creating a Table of Contents that navigates to any page (Table of Contents ActivTip)

1. Create your flipchart with a Table of Contents as your first page and several pages thereafter.
2. On the table of contents, click on the text or image you would like to assign the page action to.
3. Click on the "Action Browser" (the picture of the top), in the browsers pane and scroll down to find "another page"
4. Type in the page number you would like it to go to, then click "apply changes"
5. Click on the text to test it out. Once you are on the new page, add the action to return to the Table of contents. To do this, click on the "Action Browser" and click "drag and drop" at the top. Scroll down to the "First Page" arrow, then drag and drop it on to your page.
6. Repeat this process with each page you want to link to.

Groups and Pulleys (Activtip)

1. Click on the shapes tool to draw an arrow.
2. Click on the text tool to write information that you would like hidden off the page.
3. Click and drag on both the arrow and the text box to select them both.
4. Click on the "grouped" tool to group them together.
5. Drag the text off the screen so only the arrow appears.
6. Click on the grouped item, select view, then browsers, and click on the "property browser"
7. Scroll all the way down to the "restrictors" section and click the plus sign (if the menu isn't already open).
8. In the "can move" box, select the direction you would like it to move (horizontally, vertically, etc.)

Connector Tool (Activtip)

1. Select the "shapes" tool and draw at least two shapes on your flipchart page.
2. Select the "connector" tool.
3. Draw a connector line from one shape to another. Make sure you connect the small black boxes on the outside of the shape.
4. Go back to the "selector" tool to move the shapes around with the line staying connected to them.

Extracting Text (Extracting text part 1 & 2 Activtips)
3 Ways:

1. Click on the word you would like to extract, click menu, (located in the object edit menu above the text box) then click extract text.
2. Click on the text box, click the ABC icon, then select the text you would like to extract. Then drag the text.
3. To give it the extract action, click on the text box and click on the "Action Browser" Scroll down to find "Extract Text" and click "Apply Changes" at the bottom.

Educreations – www.educreations.com. With this app for your computer or iPad, you can record your lessons on a whiteboard and share them with your students.

Screenr or Screen-cast-omatic – www.screenr.com or http://www.screencast-o-matic.com/. Create your own screencasts and share them with your students.

Google Earth – Download Google Earth at http://www.google.com/earth/index.html. To take a virtual field trip:

1. Type in the name of the destination or address that you would like to see.
2. Hover over the screen on the ride side to see the tools. Click on the plus sign to zoom in. Click on the arrows around the hand to navigate the area.
3. Once you at the area that you want to see, click and drag the yellow person and drop him off at any of the streets near it. Blue lines will appear on any streets that you can drop him off at.
4. Once you drop him off, you will zoom in to street view. To turn and move in place use the arrows around the eyeball. (or you can use the pen on the activboard)
5. To view a panoramic of an area, click on any small red box in the area. Click on the panorama and you will zoom into the panoramic view. Use the pen or touch to turn around in the panoramic view. Click "exit photo" when done.

To turn in place

To move

Street View

Zoom in and out