

# Assistive Technology Training Online

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## High Interest – Low Reading Level Books

### RECORDED BOOKS:

#### SteadyReaders

<http://recordedbooks.com/>

These books are recorded at 10-15% slower reading pace than standard readings. The Homework Pack includes the audiobook and print book so that students can follow along in the print version while they listen to the narration.

#### SmartReader

<http://recordedbooks.com/>

The British SmartReader is a controlled reading level text written to interest middle school students through adults. Topics include biography, adventure, mystery, nonfiction and mythology. Recorded by British actors SmartReaders are written for those older students who read at a 3rd to 4th year primary school level. Packs include print text, audiotapes and a teacher's guide.

### SOFTWARE:

#### Start to Finish Books

Don Johnston, Inc.

Each book is published in CD-ROM and paperback format and written to exacting standards to control vocabulary, sentence complexity and phonetic regularity. Words are highlighted as they are read on each page. Clicking on a word causes it to be read again. Teacher Materials include blackline masters for writing activities, pre-reading vocabulary lists, multiple-choice questions and other support materials.

[Literature](#)

### **Classic Adventures**

Treasure Island  
Red Badge of Courage  
Adventures of Huckleberry Finn

### **Classic Adventures**

Anne of Green Gables  
Little Women  
Black Beauty

### **Classic Adventures**

Mutiny on the Bounty: The Story of  
Captain William Bligh  
20,000 Leagues Under the Sea  
Lord Jim

### **Classic Adventures**

Kidnapped  
The Adventures of Tom Sawyer  
Call of the Wild

### **Classic Literature**

Romeo and Juliet  
King Lear  
Macbeth

### **Classic Literature**

A Christmas Carol  
Frankenstein  
The Prince and the Pauper

### **Famous Short Series**

Edgar Allan Poe Collection  
Jack London Collection  
Mark Twain Collection

### **Myths and Legends**

Tales from Homer: Stories from The  
Illiad and The Odyssey  
Greek Myths I: Zeus and the Mighty  
Gods of Olympus  
Greek Myths II: Heroes, Lovers and  
Mortal Man

## Sports

Sports biographies take students into the lives of great sports figures to illustrate the hard work they did and obstacles they overcame to become successful athletes. Here is a way to inspire your students to realize that accomplishments, big or small, come with perseverance.

### **Overcoming the Odds: Sports**

#### **Biographies**

Home Run Heroes  
Flo-Jo: The Story of Florence Griffith

Joyner

Ali: The Greatest

## **Overcoming the Odds: Sports**

### **Biographies**

Wilt Chamberlain: NBA Giant

Jckie Robinson and the American  
Dream

Jim Thorpe: Athlete of the Twentieth  
Century

## **Overcoming the Odds: Sports**

### **Biographies**

Fight for Your Life: The Story of Ruben  
Hurricane Carter

Remembering Sweetness: Walter and  
the Bears

Men in Motion: Rick Hansen and Terry  
Fox

## **History**

Biographical stories lead students through the lives of people to illustrate the impact they had in history. Students gain an understanding of the changes these heroes made and the impact they have on the way we live today.

### **A Step Into History**

Rosa Parks: Freedom Fighter

Frederick Douglass: A Hero for All  
Times

Harriet Tubman: The Moses of Her  
People

### **A Step Into History**

On Strike! The story of Cesar Chavez  
Border Crossing

I Am Vallejo

### **A Step Into History**

The Story of Anne Frank

The Tuskegee Airmen

The Japanese American: Prisoners in  
Their Own Home

### **A Step Into History**

After the Buffalo Jump: A Story of the  
Blackfoot Nation

Sacagawea: The Trip to the West

When Horses Are Gone: A Story of the  
Nez Perce Indian Tribe

### **Ancient History**

Cleopatra: Queen of the Nile

King Tut's Tomb

Kings of the Nile: Gods and Pharaohs of  
Ancient Egypt

### **A Step Into History**

For Liberty: A Story of the American  
Revolution  
Death at Jamestown

Against All Odds: George Washington  
and the Fight for American  
Independence

### **Mysteries**

The Nick Ford series follows college teacher Nick Ford and a group of young adults as they encounter danger, intrigue, and mystery wherever they travel - in the United States and overseas! Then, students find out why Mr. Holmes is the master of all detectives in literature by reading Sherlock Holmes Mysteries.

#### **Nick Ford Mysteries**

The Graveyard Mystery  
Crossbow Mystery at Yellowstone Park  
Alcatraz, The Rock

Big Ben is Dead

The Secret of Old Mexico

#### **Nick Ford Mysteries**

The Night of the Loch Ness Monster

#### **Sherlock Holmes Mysteries**

The Adventures of the Speckled Band  
Silver Blaze  
A Scandal in Bohemia

### **Science and Nature**

Extend the selection of nonfiction books your students can choose from and provide exciting stories relating to the phenomenons of nature.

#### **Natural Disasters**

Liddy and the Volcanoes  
Hurricane!  
Earthquake!

### **Catalogs of Text Versions:**

<http://www.kidsinbetween.com/readlow.html>

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<http://www.resourceroom.net/Products/literacy.asp>

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<http://teacher.scholastic.com/read180/discover/components/paperbacks.htm>

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### **ONLINE EDUCATION RESOURCES**

**Project Assist** <http://www.edc.org/FSC/ASSIST/>

This project uses technology tools for integrated into challenging science curriculum and instruction to ensure access for students with disabilities.

**Classroom Connect** <http://www.classroom.net/home.asp>

Classroom connect develops original web-based curriculum products and professional development programs for K-12 educators. Site includes access to Classroom Today, Connected University and Quest interactive adventures for learning.

**Dyslexic.com** <http://www.dyslexic.com/rational.htmq>

This site provides information needed to choose appropriate assistive technology to help persons with dyslexia. Also includes 10 steps to self-help in writing and reading.

### **Educational Web Sites For Students, Parents And Teachers**

<http://www.havasu.k12.az.us/nautilus/edweb.html>

Links to great educational resources on the web.

**ePALS** <http://www.epals.com>

Teachers and students can connect with more than 6,000 classrooms in 80+ countries

**Filamentality** <http://www.kn.pacbell.com/wired/fil>

Filamentality (Pacific Bell) is a fill-in-the-blank interactive Web site that guides you through picking a topic, searching the Web, gathering good Internet sites, and turning Web resources into activities appropriate for learners.

**Learning Disabilities (LD)** <http://www.ldresources.com/writingtips.html>

This site contains excellent information on AT supports for persons with learning disabilities. Several contributions by Richard Wandeman offer creative solutions for writing and everyday activities. Great Site!

**Literacy Technology Project** <http://www.ets.uidaho.edu/cdhd/littech/about.htm>)

This project looked into integrating computer assistive technology into the educational curriculum for the purpose of assisting students in the writing process. The three types of assistive-writing technologies examined were Alternative Keyboards, Word Prediction Software, and Voice Recognition Software.

**Ontario Science Centre Interactive Zone**

<http://www.osc.on.ca/JustFun/InteractiveZone/izonepages/menu.htm>

These science and technology programs for school groups are fun, engaging, interactive and educational.

**Education Planet** <http://educationplanet.com/>

This internet gateway provides a host of education related features including: lesson plans and curriculum materials, on-line resources, education news, feature articles, reference materials, professional development, educational shopping, and an interactive community for the exchange of advice and information.

**SRC\*TEC's** <http://www.scrtec.org/>)

This site's mission is to help educators create, share and find solutions to integrate technology into education. The site includes a variety of tools and resources.

- **www4teachers**, a carefully indexed collection of online resources made by teachers for teachers!
- **Trackstar, QuizStar, Problem Based Learning and Web Worksheet Wizard** are tools available to make technology integration easy. They include lesson plans, and tools to develop plans that incorporate relevant websites into student learning plans.

**Teacher Resources** <http://www.pbs.org/teachersource/>

Loads of teacher resources and interactive lesson plans for all grades and disciplines. Some references to PBS programs.

**Web Toolboxes for Educators** <http://www.ed.sc.edu/caw/toolbox.html>

A collection of "tool boxes" to increase the learning of students with disabilities with technology-based applications. <http://www.ed.sc.edu/caw/toolbox.html>

**WebQuest** <http://edweb.sdsu.edu/webquest/webquest.html>

This site offers the opportunity to look for quality web sites on particular subjects, for specific age groups. Students are guided in learning by following web links for information. Training materials are available as well as other resources. This site is a "must" for web-active learning!