

Digital Storytelling

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Overview

- What is digital storytelling?
- Educational uses?
- Examples
- Resources available to you
- Planning and getting started

What is Digital Storytelling ?

- Telling or summarizing stories using digital tools
- Can be teacher created stories or student created stories
- Simple and effective way to give everyone a voice
- Collaborative

Key elements

- Told in first person
- Represents a personal perspective
- Starts with something to draw the viewer in
- Succinct (think 1-2 minutes)
- Images and sound provide deep meaning to the story

Educational Uses

- **Classroom story**
 - think of a digital format instead of butcher paper
- **Personal narratives**
 - student of the week, field trip reports...
- **Historical events from a personal perspective**
- **Introduction of background material**
 - vocal, context, review,...
- **Assessment of student learning**

Examples

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=P5yi8R5l9e4>
 - A teacher's digital story about working on digital storytelling in her classroom (2:44 mins)
- <https://hernandezds.wikispaces.com/> CSUF Ed Tech student project on Digital story telling. Examples from TK, research,..
- <http://blogs.southfieldchristian.org/elemapptitude/kindergarten-thanksgiving-stories-with-puppet-pals/>
 - Kindergarten students and Thanksgiving
- <http://blogs.southfieldchristian.org/middlepages/2014/05/app-smashing-book-trailers/>
 - middle school students using a range of tools



Resources

<https://www.pinterest.com/nrcal/digital-story-telling/>

Your Tasks

- Spend time exploring the Pinterest page
 - Locate an example appropriate for your age of student
 - Locate a storyboard for using with your students
- Explore the different apps and websites
- Begin to create a sample digital story about your journey to becoming a dual immersion or language educator
- Complete the instructional handout (in your packet)

Free Apps and Software

- Toontastic (iPad)
- Storybird (<https://storybird.com/>)
- Go Animate (<http://goanimate.com/> trial version)
- Tellagami (<https://tellagami.com/>)
- Story Kit (iPad)
- Sock Puppet (iPad)
- Voicethread (iPad and web-based)
- Adobe Voice