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Problem Addressed: Students must become competent computer users to be prepared for the 21st Century, yet there is little agreement over the role and best use of computers to support student achievement. While connection to the Internet provides students with extensive information resources, teachers often overlook the benefits of "people" resources available through online collaborative learning.

Technology Solution: Services delivered via three different Web servers allow educators worldwide to learn from other educators who have distinguished themselves in the area of online learning and to collaborate with other communities via video conferencing, and therein, effectively bridge cultures and enrich the entire learning experience.

Projects:

- Friendship Through Education* - A consortium of organizations that provide opportunities for online and offline discussions between youth from around the world.
- Project Registry* - Clearinghouse of 700+ online collaborative projects organized by project, date, and grade.
- Online Expeditions* - Follow real explorers in an interactive real-time environment as they travel and explore the world.
- Newsday* - Students publish an online newspaper based on stories submitted from global correspondents.

Online Statistics:

- 100,000+ registered users
- 25,000+ schools (all 50 US states)
- Schools in 89 countries
- 300,000 Web visitor sessions per month

Success Story: A high school in Reykjavik, Iceland, realizing that very little information existed about their country on the Internet, decided to create an entire Web site for Iceland through the eyes of students.

Previous Awards: Voted top 10 education Web site five years in a row; Internet World Award; Webby

Other Commentary: Through its International Schools Cyberfair, GSN conducts a global competition of writers who develop community stories and post them online.

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In-depth resources, examples, models, guides and tutorials to support and expand ideas and information presented in the work shop that you attended.

Workshop Resources
 Includes download files, and features used in the workshop you attended.

Subject Research
 A guide to conducting research on the Internet.

Resources List
 Tutorial and guides to further Internet-based learning that supports the themes and their related work.

Global Studies Program
 Web Development Center, IFL, Global Educational Resources and Organizations

Building Web Strength
 A comprehensive guide to how to build high-bandwidth Web Sites.

Research Web Resources
 Includes a complete web search for educators' Teachers