



We have been working to improve kidtopiafacts.com by doubling the resources available for students from PK to grade 3.

Our site now links to age-appropriate resources for the topics as follows:

- Animals
- Art
- Biographies
- Dinosuars
- Earth
- Health
- History
- Math
- Mythology
- Plants
- Science
- Space
- Weather

Students can easily do a **keyword search** by typing their desired topic into the search box on the front page of kidtopiafacts.com.

For example, a search of the keyword “stegosaurus” brings up only 13 recommended websites for that keyword.

If students click on the word **image** next to the word web, 12 pictures showing a stegosaurus will appear.



### Welcome!

Welcome to the students and teachers from El Paso, Texas. We are happy you are using Infotopia.info, VirtualLRC.com, Infotrek.info, Kidtopia.info and Kidtopiafacts.com for your research needs!

### Which do you prefer?

- #1 Reading textbooks/expository/non-fiction on a screen
- #2 Reading textbooks/expository/non-fiction in a printed format
- #3 Reading fiction on a screen
- #4 Reading fiction in a printed format

There are multiple studies that indicate that readers retain more information when it is read from a printed source versus an online source. One study finds that less-skilled reading comprehenders have less comprehension on screens versus printed material, but that higher-skilled comprehenders have equal comprehension on screens or print material.

As we understand that much of what we read is now online, are there ways to improve reading comprehension?

Kelly Miller in the Edutopia article, “Getting Students to Read Digital Texts More Deeply,” says that it is really important that students slow down when reading online and really engage in the content.

<https://shorturl.at/fGI23>



(Note: I personally prefer #2 and #3 above.)



Are you a wordaholic (a lover of words), a logolept (a person who takes a keen interest in words), or a verbivore (one who enjoys words and wordplay)? If so, you'll love Richard Lederer's Verbivore Website. It links to many great language sites, covering topics such as:

- English on YouTube
- Etymology
- Grammar and Usage
- Language Blogs and Online Magazines
- Puns
- Anagrams
- Dictionaries and Thesauri
- Slang and Dialects
- Word Games

<https://verbivore.com/language-sites-on-the-net/>

### Need Cash?

Here's an interesting article from "We Are Teachers" about 50 legitimate ways to earn extra money after school or in the summer. The article includes links that give you more information about each recommendation. (Yes, we agree. Teachers need to be paid more in the first place!)

<https://www.weareteachers.com/ways-teachers-can-make-extra-money/>

Some of our favorites include:

- How to write and publish an ebook
- Sell your lesson plans
- Drive for Uber or Lyft
- Get paid for tutoring in person or online
- Open an Etsy shop
- Sell your stock photos
- Rent your house on AirBnb
- And.....43 more ideas!

Our search engines/web directories include:

<https://www.infotopia.info>

<https://www.kidtopia.info>

<https://www.kidtopiafacts.com>

<https://www.kidtopiagames.com>

<https://www.infotrek.info>

<https://www.virtuallrc.com>

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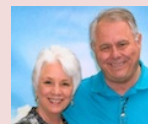
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We appreciate your feedback and love to hear from you!

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<https://www.infotopia.info/newsletter.html>

This is the fourteenth year of our Infotopia/Kidtopia newsletter, which is online as a PDF. Be sure to send us requests for articles or topics via email.

<https://www.youtube.com/c/InfotopiaWorld/videos>

You should check out our self-produced educational videos on YouTube for students and teachers.

**DID YOU KNOW?** Our first web site/search engine, the Virtual LRC is now 25 years old!!!!

<https://www.virtuallrc.com/>

