
B l o g g i n g f o r L e a r n i n g

MGMP WORKSHOP
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Discussion

1. Please go to -----. This is a sample of two blogs used for classes.
2. Please discuss the following questions with a partner:
 - ✓ What do you think of the blog?
 - ✓ What features are present in both blogs?
 - ✓ Can you think of any learning/teaching activity that you can do if you have a blog?

What is blog?

Keyword: _____

[Walker](#) (2003) and [Peters et al](#) (2004)

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Common Features of a Blog

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Potentials of Blogging For Teaching/Learning

For teachers

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For students

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Why blogging?

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How to Blog?

How to open an account in Blogger for Individual Blogs

1. Go to <http://www.blogger.com>
2. Click “Create Your Blog Now”
3. To create an account:
 - a. Choose a user name (served as your login name to Blogger), a password, and a display name (how your name looks like in your postings).
 - b. Provide your email address.
 - c. Tick the acceptance of terms.
 - d. Click “continue”
4. Create a blog:
 - a. Give a name to your individual blog.
 - b. Choose a url address for your individual blog.
 - c. Type the word verification as shown in the box.
 - d. Click “continue”

5. Choose a template (how your individual blog looks like). Click “continue”.
6. The system will create the blog for you.
7. You will be taken to the postings folder.
8. Post your first comment. Provide an introduction to yourself, like your name and what you expect from blogging activity. It should be a paragraph long. When you finish, click “publish post”
9. Click “Back to the Dashboard” (on the right hand side). Your individual blog is listed already.
10. Go to “Edit Profile”. Fill in your personal data for the profile. Caution!: You have to be careful in giving out personal information on the Internet. Information like birthdays should NOT be given out.

Activity: Please send an email to me (neny.isharyanti@gmail.com) using the email address that you used to subscribe to blogger.com. I will add you to our blog: <http://Salatiga.teachers.blogspot.com>

How to accept an invitation to join the Group Blog

1. Open the invitation email in your email account.
2. Click on the link provided in the invitation email or you can copy and paste the link to the browser address bar.
3. Login using your user name and password in Blogger (just like the one in your individual blog)
4. You will be taken to the “Dashboard”. You will see that you are already included in our group blog “salatiga-teachers”

Activity: Please post in our blog (<http://salatiga-teachers.blogspot.com>) about your perspective on blogging or your comment about the workshop.

How to post in the blogs via Internet

1. Login to blogger.com using your user name and password.
2. If you are already in the “Dashboard”, you will see that you have two blogs: the group blog and your individual blog.
 - a. To post in the group blog, click on New Post icon (a plus sign) in our class blog “”.
 - b. To post in your individual blog, click on New Post icon (a plus sign) in your individual blog.
3. You can start typing your post or you can copy your essay from another computer application (like Microsoft Word) and paste it in blogger.
4. Please tick “Yes” to allow new comments on your post. This is to give an opportunity to your audience to comment on your post.
5. When you have finished you can click “Publish Post”.
6. If you post has been successfully published, blogger will give you a notification.
7. To view your posting in the blog, you can click at “View Blog” at the top. A new window containing your blog will appear.
8. If you post has not appear, probably you need to refresh your Internet browser.

How to post in your blogs using your email

1. Login to blogger.com using your user name and password.
2. In the Dashboard, choose the blog site that you want to be able to post via email.
3. Go to “Settings”, select “Email”.

4. In “Mail-to-Blogger Address”, type a name to identify the blog.
5. Next time you want to post, all you need is to send your post to the email address that you specify at blogger.

How to make a group blog

1. Login to blogger.com using your user name and password.
2. In the Dashboard, choose the blog site that you want to make as a group blog.
3. Go to “Settings”, select “Members”.
4. Click “Add Team Members”
5. Type the email address of each team member (Note: The email address should be the one the member uses for blogger.com)
6. Once your member accepted the invitation, s/he can start posting to the blog.

Useful Links/References

Some free blog service

<http://www.blogger.com> (popular, easy to use, group blog enabled)
<http://www.edublogs.org>
<http://www.blogsome.com>
<http://www.multiply.com>
<http://360.yahoo.com> (popular, easy to use)
<http://spaces.live.com>
<http://www.friendster.com> (popular among students)

What is a blog?

Weblogs

<http://nw2002.flexiblelearning.net.au/WebX?233@201.Nbjka9AGaMf.203@.f0c1765!enclosure=.f0c2f44>

7 Things You Should Know About Blogs

<http://www.educause.edu/ir/library/pdf/ELI7006.pdf>

The art of blogging

http://www.elearnspace.org/Articles/blogging_part_1.htm

http://www.elearnspace.org/Articles/blogging_part_2.htm

History of Blogs

http://www.rebeccablood.net/essays/weblog_history.html

Potentials of Blogs for Education

Weblogs for Use with ESL Classes

<http://iteslj.org/Techniques/Campbell-Weblogs.html>

[http://anvil.gsu.edu/EV/stories/storyReader\\$36](http://anvil.gsu.edu/EV/stories/storyReader$36)

How you SHOULD and SHOULD NOT use blogs in education

<http://blogsavvy.net/how-you-should-use-blogs-in-education>

<http://blogsavvy.net/how-not-to-use-blogs-in-education>

Blogging and What it Means for Flexible Teaching and Learning,

http://flexiblelearning.net.au/knowledgetree/edition05/html/cr_i_chalk.html

Benefits of Blogging for Teaching and Learning

<http://escrapbooking.com/blogging/tl.htm>

Personal knowledge publishing and its uses in research

<http://radio.weblogs.com/0110772/stories/2002/10/03/personalKnowledgePublishingAndItsUsesInResearch.html>

Blogging and RSS — The "What's It?" and "How To" of Powerful New Web Tools for Educators

<http://www.infoday.com/MMSchools/jan04/index.shtml>

Uses of Weblogs in Adult Education » Weblogs in Education

<http://mtae.patrickdax.net/?cat=12>

Tips on blogging

Ten Tips For A Better Weblog

http://www.rebeccablood.net/essays/ten_tips.html

Blog Code Ethics

<http://www.microcontentnews.com/resources/bloggincodeofethics.htm>

http://www.rebeccablood.net/handbook/excerpts/weblog_ethics.html

What Makes a Weblog a Weblog?

<http://blogs.law.harvard.edu/whatMakesAWeblogAWeblog>.

Samples of Blogs

a brief review of some of the institutional and individual blog projects in higher education

<http://incsub.org/blog/2005/blogs-anywhere-high-fidelity-online-communication>

New developments in blogging

<http://ilt.msu.edu/vol10num2/pdf/emerging.pdf>

Samples of class blogs

<http://escrapbooking.com/blogging/class.htm>

Contact me!

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