# Using Flickr WORKBOOK

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# Workbook - Using Flickr

# **Overview:**

The following lessons and objectives were covered in this course. Feel free to go back and review some or all of them, if necessary:

#### 1. Examine Flickr

- Examines the photo sharing and management tool known as Flickr.
- Explains how to open a Flickr account and search through photo collections.
- Explores the privacy settings and access for a Flickr account.

#### 2. Navigate Flickr

- Explains some of the navigational features offered in Flickr.
- Explores how to search for photos in Flickr by using searchable tags.
- Considers the purpose and use of Creative Commons in Flickr.

#### 3. Organize Photos on Flickr

- Examines some of the organizational features found on Flickr.
- Walks through a few of the options in Organizr.
- Shows how to add tags, Creative Commons, and sets to Flickr pictures.

#### 4. Post and Share Photos on Flickr

- Explains some of the uploading options available from Flickr.
- Examines joining groups, creating groups, and blogging with Flickr.
- Discusses sharing photos with others on Flickr.

#### 5. Download Photos from Flickr

- Walks through the steps for downloading photos from Flickr.
- Examines how to get access to photos on Flickr.
- Explains how to download photos on Flickr that have a Creative Commons license.

# Real-life Examples:

Here are some real-life examples of how the concepts discussed in this course could be used in a classroom, either as a teaching tool or an administrative aid:

# 1. Open Flickr Accounts

With your school and parents' permission, have you and your Art students open Flickr accounts. Have them photograph all of their artwork and upload it to their Flickr account. Share the pictures with Art classes from other schools, as well as with their friends and families.

# 2. Use a Flickr Slideshow to Teach History

When giving your next History lectures about the Victorian era in England, play a slideshow on Flickr of photos or paintings that you have collected of notable people from the time period. Point out each person's picture with name, and noteworthy accomplishments.

# 3. Use Flickr as a Digital Yearbook

Have the yearbook class take digital photos of things that happen during the school year, such as sports games, club meetings, field trips, performances, and spirit activities. Have them post the pictures to

Flickr as a set, and order calendars be made from them for the next school year. Sell the calendars as a fundraiser.

# 4. Start a Synonym Search Game

Create a game for your English students to have them do speed drills to see who can search for relevant photos on Flickr the fastest. Give them a word and have them search for photos using it and as many synonyms as they can think of, and see who is the most successful at using Flickr's search engine to find the photographs.

#### 5. Hide and Seek

Take some photos of different cities that you have visited in your travels and post them to Flickr. Make sure that you geotag them with the location of the photos. Have your geography students then conduct a search using Flickr's World Map to see if they can find your photos.

#### 6. Use Searchable Tags

Use the searchable tags feature to find as many pictures as you can for your science students about the various animal species that they're studying. Once you find the pictures and monitor them for content, download them into a folder so that you can play them as a slideshow for your class.

#### 7. Constellations and Comets

Take some digital photos of the night sky's constellations and of any comets that have recently passed by. Load the photos in Flickr and organize them into a set titled, "Astronomy." Share the pictures as a slideshow with your Science students as an alternative to a planetarium visit.

#### 8. Photos for Spanish Vocabulary

Have your Spanish students take pictures of items that represent the Spanish culture, such as foods, clothes, flags, or people. Have the students upload their pictures to Flickr and organize them into sets labeled with appropriate titles. Have them learn the Spanish vocabulary words to accompany each photo in the sets. As they learn new words, have them add corresponding pictures to the sets.

# 9. Practice Uploading with Tags

Have your Art students upload and organize pictures on Flickr. Have them take pictures of their own work, as well as anything that can be used as a reference, such as a horse or a bottle cap. Have your students organize their favorite photos in sets, such as "My Work" or "Inspirations." Once they've loaded the pictures, have them label them with searchable tags to be used as a portfolio or as a body of reference material for future art projects.

#### 10. Photo Blog with Math Students

Take some pictures of geometric shapes and angles that can be found in daily activities. Post the pictures to Flickr, tag them, and create a group for your Geometry students so that they can view the pictures. Have them blog about the different pictures, and discuss which formulas can be used to solve the various angles.

#### 11. Post Photos with Your Class

Have your photography students take pictures of nature as a homework assignment. In class, help them create Flickr accounts and their own group to join as a class. Have them post their nature pictures to their Flickr accounts and arrange them as sets. Then have them share their pictures with each other from in their Flickr group and then blog to each other about the photos.

#### 12. Advanced Upload

Download one of Flickr's advanced uploading tools so that you can upload larger numbers of pictures

at a time. Post in Flickr random pictures that you have taken as a set for your Creative Writing students. Show the class the pictures as a slideshow, and have each of them choose one picture to write a story about.

## 13. Download Bilingual Photos

With your Spanish students, browse Flickr for pictures that people have taken of street signs, airport signs, park signs, or building signs that are written in both English and Spanish. Have your students ask the Flickr authors of the photos for permission to download their pictures by e-mailing them from a Flickr account. If permission is given, download the photos and have your students use them as flash cards to learn the Spanish phrases on the signs.

#### 14. Download for the School Paper

Have the school newspaper staff perform a search on Flickr to see how many students in the school also are Flickr members. Have them start a group with a blog for members of the school, and see how many students from the school are willing to submit photos of their pets. Download the photos and publish them in the school paper.

#### 15. Download a Presentation

Conduct a search on Flickr for photos to illustrate your next science lesson. Ask the photos' authors for permission and download the photos to your computer. Create a slideshow to use as a visual presentation for your class.

# **Exercises:**

If you would like additional practice or review of the concepts covered in this course, try the following exercise(s) at your convenience:

- 1. Spend some time exploring Flickr. Set up an account, read the community guidelines and privacy policies, and explore some popular search categories. Learn how to post, tag, organize, and share your photos. Research the privacy policies, and monitor what content is appropriate for students. Share your research with other teachers so that they can also use this tool.
- 2. Spend some time exploring the organizational features found in Flickr. Notice the editing options, searchable tags options, and group options. Take some time to learn about the various permissions, and decide on those that will work best when using Flickr for student assignments. Discover the Creative Commons licenses and which ones might work best with your pictures.