

What is GoogleTreks™?

A New Way to Delve into a Subject

What is GoogleTreks™ exactly?

- * Allows teachers and students to synthesize information using Google Maps.
- * Places text, pictures, audio files, video files, and much more in one central location.

What Kinds of Files Can be Used?

- * Text
- * Audio
- * Pictures
- * Video
- * Web 2.0 Tools
- * And much more!

GoogleTreks™ Engages and
Empowers Digital-Age Learners

Why is GoogleTreks™ engaging?

- * Learners can explore various interests
- * Global voices can be heard through “real” time
- * Multidisciplinary
- * It allows for choice
- * Students facilitate their own learning
- * It includes multimedia and Web 2.0 tools

Web 2.0 Example

- * Museum Boxes
 - * www.museumbox.e2bn.org

GoogleTreks™ Educates Diverse Learners

- Students use multi-modalities
 - Tactile
 - Visual
 - Kinesthetic
 - Audio

Diversity

- * Different outcomes for different groups
- * Creating different GoogleTrekTM for different needs
- * Complexity based on population needs

GoogleTreks™ Satisfies Basic Needs

- * Ability to choose
- * Having fun sharing ideas with others
- * Learning while having fun
- * Learning from others
- * Exploring technology
- * Feeling of contentment

What Else Should
We Know About
GoogleTrekTM?

GoogleTrekTM Uses Google Maps

- * Must have a Google account
- * “My Maps” will allow you to create a library and give you a choice in searches
- * Global possibilities
- * Unlimited geographical knowledge base

Navigational Tools

- * Zoom in and out easily with slide bar or double tap, or click on spot and use fingers on touch pad
- * Icons /push pins help you visualize location
- * Satellite view v. map view

Insights from the Originator

- * Dragging the pictures down... (opens high with top out of view)
- * Double click to zoom in
- * Click minus sign to zoom out
- * “X” out and close tab will bring you back to GoogleTrek™
- * Left menu: blue boxes

What Else Did We Learn About GoogleTrekTM?