A tool to practice language skills

NewsMaker is a software that provides students an easy, affordable and fun platform to practice their language skills – Writing and Reading, Speaking and Listening, and Presenting.

Use Across Curriculum

NewsMaker is neither grade-level specific nor content-area specific. It is a tool to help students hone their language skills while mastering content in any subject area.

Self Assessment and Self Learning

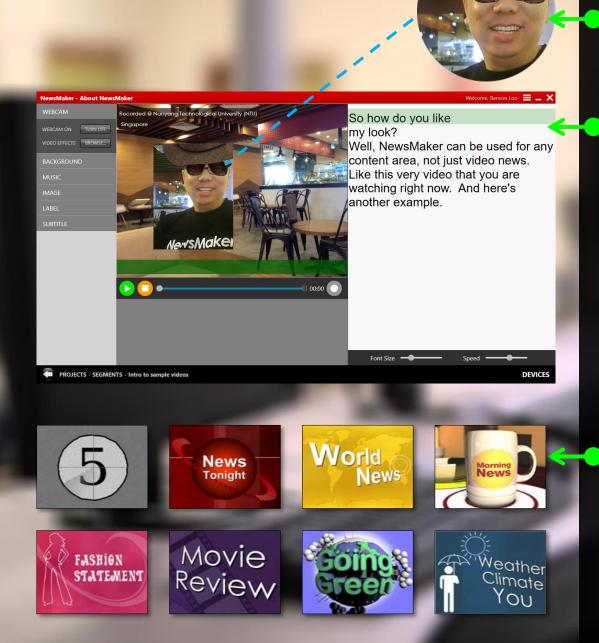
NewsMaker provides students with immediate feedback for self-assessment of performance and it also facilitates peer critiquing, especially in the area of oral skills.

About NewsMaker

Create for a Real Audience With NewsMaker, students take on the role of news reporter, presenter and producer, creating their own video story for a real audience.

Through their stories, the students demonstrate what they have learnt.

Project-Based Learning



Put on virtual hats and glasses

Read from teleprompter
Display subtitles
Create picture-in-picture effect
Voiceover video and images
Insert background music
Add rolling credits

Insert trailers as video opening, interludes and ending

Basic Features





Europe



North America

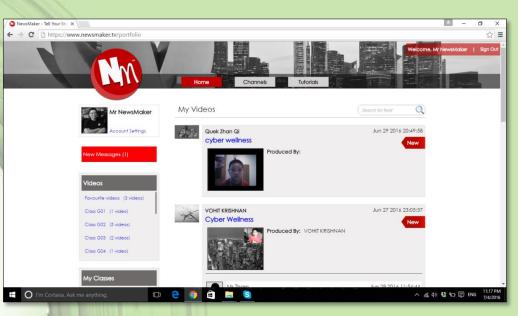


Students can collaborate with one another to produce a video together, regardless of their physical locations.

They can contribute resources to their projects remotely, and they can communicate among themselves using the Project Group Chat to discuss and complete their project.

Collaborative Features

Southeast Asia



www.NewsMaker.TV

Students can save their published videos in their digital portfolio where teachers can monitor and assess their works using rubrics or facilitate peer critiquing among the students.

Teachers can also share best videos on the school's NewsMaker.TV channel with the school community.

Online Features

Learning Scaffolds

Students can use templates to jumpstart their projects, using the project structure in the templates to guide their thought process and writing.

Differentiated Instructions

Teachers can also provide differentiated instructions to target different groups of students by varying the amount of information in the project templates they create.

Optimizing Learning

VIEW TEMPLATE

Phones

About Background Information Project Instructions Resources



Bright Ideas

Inventions That Changed History Written By Marsha Cone

Introduction

Imagine that you are in school. You are trying to focus on your work. All of a sudden, the lights go off. The computer will not work. The clock on the wall has stopped. It's as if you are in a schoolhouse from hundreds of years ago. You're in a classroom with no modern inventions.

Inventions are new things that people make for the first time. The wheel and the alphabet were inventions. The telephone was an invention, too. These inventions changed the world.

PROJECTS

This sample is from the Treasure Chest series published by McGraw-Hill Education.

Project Templates by Education Publishers

Teachers can purchase and use ready-made lessons by education publishers. Each set of lesson consists of a project template, which includes project instructions, background reading material as well as resources students can use in their project. (Such templates are sold separately.)

Ready-Made Lessons

Examples of NewsMaker projects

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School Morning News

Weather Report

Book Trailer

Movie Review

Storytelling

Documentary

Science Experiment Report Video Blogging