

21st Century Lesson Plan # 2

Grade level(s): In-service for teachers / staff members

Topic: Using eBooks for subject-area teaching and personal use

Objective(s):

Using *Big 6* skills, teachers / staff members will be introduced to eBooks that relate to their subject areas and how to use them to enhance their teaching and their personal lives.

Big6 Skills:

1. Task Definition – Introduce subject-area teachers / staff members to eBook technology and teach them how to use this technology to enhance their teaching and their personal lives.
2. Information Seeking Strategies – Selection of available eBooks most suitable to subject areas determined and presented by librarian.
3. Location and Access – Librarian introduces eBook strategies to teachers / staff members in the library computer lab.
4. Use of Information – Teachers / staff members extract relevant information and collaborate with their colleagues on ideas they can use to implement eBook technology.
5. Synthesis – Teachers / staff members implement eBook technology to enhance teaching.
6. Evaluation – Teachers / staff members evaluate use of eBooks and plan for future use.

Materials Required:

- Handout with instructions for accessing eBooks via school homepage
- Password flyers / bookmarks
- Computer lab
- Links to subject-area eBooks on library homepage

Time Required:

30-minute class period

Description of activities:

Subject-area eBooks are selected by librarian, teachers / staff members from the same subject areas meet for in-service, librarian introduces eBook technology and specific eBooks that correlate to the teachers' subject areas, librarian distributes bookmarks and handouts, teachers collaborate with their colleagues about ideas for using eBook technology, and librarian distributes "treat" rewards for attendance.

Assessment:

Teachers use eBooks in their teaching, assess their success and make plans for future use.