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### Reading and Writing Across the Primary Curriculum: Empowering Students with Technology

### Session 2



## MEG ORMISTON



Meg Ormiston is an author and a presenter who specialises in transforming teaching and learning through the power of digital tools. Her research is focused on how curriculum can be delivered through the use of visual images, simulations and multimedia coupled with real-time assessment aligned to the Common Core State Standards.

For more than 25 years, Meg has worked with educators to change instructional practice in the classroom. She has an extensive curriculum background and over 12 years as a classroom teacher. An internationally known keynote speaker, Meg engages audiences with powerful digital stories and captivating examples about how teaching and learning can be transformed.

Meg has taught grades 2–6 and has also served as a K–8 math coach, technology coach, and curriculum coach, school board member, professional development specialist and grant facilitation specialist. She has authored several books, written numerous articles and blogs, and collaborated on professional videos. She is also involved in many personal learning communities.

Improving student learning is her goal for every professional development session. Her upbeat presenting style, classroom background, and practical examples make her highly credible and effective with teachers. Her wide range of experiences and examples enrich her writing and her presentations.

Meg holds a master's degree in curriculum and instruction.

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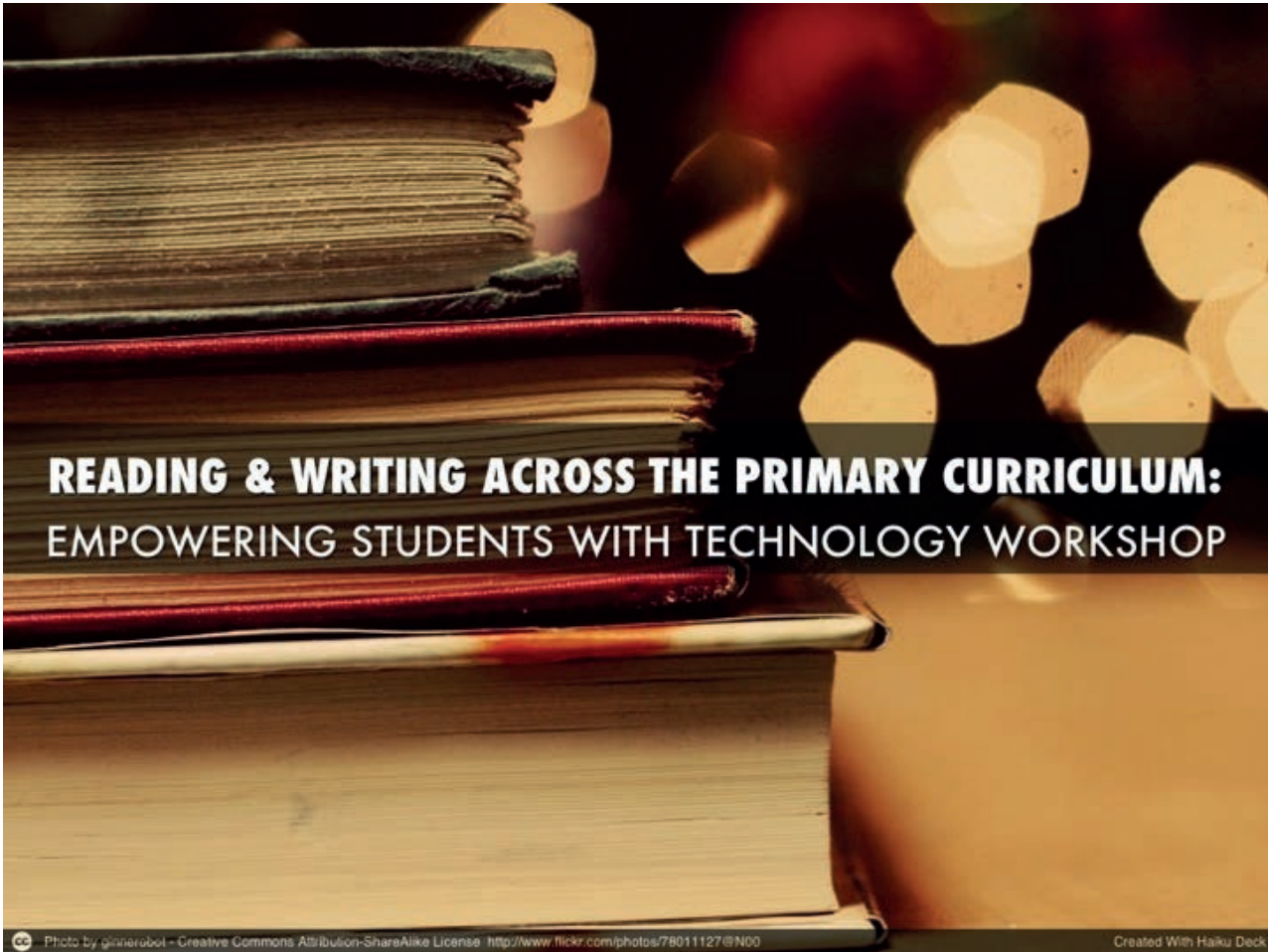
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<http://www.geogreeting.com/main.html> Geo greeting

<http://wordle.net/> Create tag clouds with Wordle.

<http://vizlab.nytimes.com/> NY Times Visualization Lab

[http://www.readwriteweb.com/archives/tag\\_clouds\\_of\\_obamas\\_inaugural\\_speech\\_compared\\_to\\_bushs.php](http://www.readwriteweb.com/archives/tag_clouds_of_obamas_inaugural_speech_compared_to_bushs.php) Compare Inaugural addresses

<http://tagcrowd.com/> Another site to create tag clouds

<http://www.addletters.com/image-list.php> Add letters to signs.

<http://www.imagechef.com/> Image Chef.

[Visuwords](#) Online graphic dictionary and thesaurus

Wordle--<http://www.wordle.net>

### **The Use of Images**

<http://www.flickr.com/> Flickr image collection.

<http://metaatem.net/words/> Spell with Flickr!

<http://www.pimpampum.net/toys/> Amazing Flickr Toys I forgot about!

<http://www.pimpampum.net/bubblr/archive.php> Check the Bubblr archives for my pumpkin carving "how to".

<http://www.pimpampum.net/memry/enter.php> Create a memory game with Flickr images.

<http://www.pimpampum.net/bookr/index.php?id=4329> Create "virtual books" with images from Flickr

### **Video and Animations**

<http://streaming.discoveryeducation.com/index.cfm> Discovery Streaming subscription site for streaming videos.

<http://www.bubblejoy.com/intro.php> Bubble Joy



<http://www.wordia.com/> Redefining the dictionary.

<http://next.yahoo.net/photosoup/> Create puzzles with images.

<http://www.gifup.com/> Create animated gifs about vocab words.

<http://www.vocabulary.com/> Vocabulary site.

<http://www.fodey.com> Create talking tomatoes, flowers and much more.

<http://www.imagechef.com/> Create your own images.

<http://makesweet.com/> Similar to Image Chef.

### **Vocabulary Quizzes**

<http://www.vocabulary.com/> Vocabulary activities and games.

<http://a4esl.org/q/h/vocabulary.html> ESL vocabulary games.

<http://www.freevocabulary.com/> SAT vocabulary.

<http://iteslj.org/v/> BiLingual vocabulary quizzes

[www.quizlet.com](http://www.quizlet.com) Vocab Site

### **Reading Resources**

<http://www.readwritethink.org/> Read write Think web site.

<http://www.readinga-z.com/index.php> Print your own leveled books.

<http://www.readinga-z.com/vocab/index.html> vocabulary research.

### **Online Tools**

<http://www.tumblebooks.com> Tumble books

<http://www.readplease.com/> Read please

<http://www.gutenberg.org/browse/categories/1> Free audio books

<http://www.google.com> Google home page

[http://www.google.com/advanced\\_search?hl=en](http://www.google.com/advanced_search?hl=en) Google advanced searching.

<http://www.sdcoe.k12.ca.us/SCORE/> Cyberguides for trade books used in the classroom.



<http://www.google.com/imghp> Google images.

<http://home.cogeco.ca/~rayser3/lessons3.htm> Otta Ray's head lessons and activities.

<http://www.inspiration.com/> Inspiration and Kidspiration home.

<http://www.techteachers.com/blogs.htm> Blogs in education.

<http://www.archives.gov> National Archives lessons.

### Games

<http://www.earobics.com/gamegoo/config.html> Games by Cognitive Concepts

<http://www.primarygames.com/reading.htm> Primary Games

<http://pbskids.org/lions/games/> PBS games.

[http://www.northcanton.sparcc.org/~elem/interactivities/prefixcatch/prefixcatch\\_sr\\_content.html](http://www.northcanton.sparcc.org/~elem/interactivities/prefixcatch/prefixcatch_sr_content.html) Prefix game.

<http://www.oswego.org/ocsd-web/match/dragflip.asp?filename=jwildeprefix> Prefix game.

<http://www.funbrain.com/> FunBrain

### Articles and Research

[http://www.readingonline.org/editorial/edit\\_index.asp?HREF=may2001/index.html](http://www.readingonline.org/editorial/edit_index.asp?HREF=may2001/index.html) 2001 online activities

Reading on the Internet: The Link Between Literacy and Technology

**[\\*\\*Elizabeth Schmar-Dobler\\*\\*](#)**

[http://www.readingonline.org/newliteracies/lit\\_index.asp?HREF=/newliteracies/jaal/903\\_column/](http://www.readingonline.org/newliteracies/lit_index.asp?HREF=/newliteracies/jaal/903_column/) An excellent article about how we read online.

<http://www.readingonline.org/> Reading research.











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	CO3801	From Digital Natives to Digital Wisdom: Hopeful Essays for 21st Century Learning	\$37.95
	CO2434	Improving Achievement With Digital Age Best Practices	\$39.95
	EYE3016	Professional Learning in the Digital Age: The Educator's Guide to User-Generated Learning	\$21.95
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