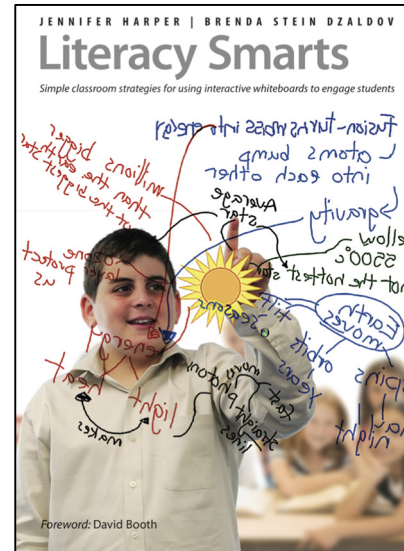


# Literacy Smarts: Simple Classroom Strategies for Using Interactive Whiteboards to Engage Students

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## Summary

Engaging students is crucial to learning, and interactive whiteboards are a valuable new tool that will take lessons to the next level in literacy learning.

*Literacy Smarts* explores the opportunities that interactive whiteboards offer for more effective and expansive ways of teaching. Texts exist in every mode – including digital, graphic, visual, oral, print and multimedia – and are a part of our students’ daily lives. This practical book introduces simple activities and tasks that use interactive whiteboard technology to bring new vitality to classroom lessons. It offers original ways to go beyond simple text and encourages connecting the classroom to the “real” world by valuing the wide range of texts that students use.

This highly readable book is about keeping an open mind to the amazing possibilities that the digital world affords teachers and their students. Aside from the ability to give immediate feedback and save responses, interactive whiteboards can facilitate assessment to improve student learning.

Based on extensive classroom experience, the book argues that interactive whiteboards can create numerous possibilities for teaching and learning. It describes how interactive whiteboards can lead us into the future of learning – interpreting, managing, exploring and expanding our students’ thinking and enabling authentic learning. It demands that students think about, interact with and engage with a wide variety of texts across all content areas.

## Other Resources

- *Getting the Most Out of Your Interactive Whiteboard: A Practical Guide* (EYE9843)
- *Digital-Age Literacy for Teachers: Applying Technology Standards to Everyday Practice* (IST3711)