Using Technology to Enhance Reading for Non-Traditional Learners

A literature study of Oliver Twist...

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Adapting the book using...

Audio Recording  Smartboard Activities

Computer and Internet  iPad Apps
Student Folders and Tracking Sheet...

Includes leveled worksheets.
Supplemental iPad Apps...

**Description**

The Guardian - "Secret Attic has reinvented Dickens' Oliver Twist as a book-app for kids, making the storyline child-friendly, adding animation and interactivity, and a few historical facts too."

Armenante - "Oliver Twist is actually worthy of being on my list of innovative apps"

Oliver Twist is a charming interactive children's book that brings the work of Charles Dickens onto your iPad, iPhone and iPod touch.

Oliver Twist has several elements that encourage learning, reading and play including:

* The story of Oliver Twist: read how Oliver grew up in the orphanage, workhouse and 19th Century London
* Interact with the characters to act out the story!
* Read about the history of Victorian London - learn about the Great Stink, famous buildings, crime, punishment and horrible food!
* Read excerpts from original Charles Dickens Oliver Twist
* Solve interactive visual puzzles
* Achievements to encourage repeat learning, playing and reading
* Supports the old and new iPads, iPods and iPhones including the new Retina iPad (iOS 4.3 and above required)
Description
This is a beautifully illustrated introduction to a classic Charles Dickens book and a start in leaning to read and spelling words in English! Using one of the greatest books of English Literature - without having to read the whole book.....!

Oliver Twist interactive summary app is the fourth of a four app series called "What the Dickens?", these apps will give the viewer a summary of the book with audio. Divided in to twenty-six sections, one for each letter of the alphabet, A to Z. The first screen for each letter has a summary section of the story with a word highlighted that starts with the associated letter along with audio of the summary story. The second screen shows the full illustration plus the option to go to the 'Spell Screen' where you are challenged to spell the highlighted word.

The app contains classic illustrations of the period, brought up to date for the new world of apps.
Bitsboard: A Customizable Interactive app for Vocabulary Study...
Use QR codes to link to audio and video...

The Life of Charles Dickens

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=unKuZ2wlNdw
Smartboard or Powerpoint Jeopardy....

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Helper Sheet

- Oliver Twist
- Portrait
- Work House
- London Bridge
- Nancy
- Thief
- Bookstore
- London, England
- Fagin
- Apprentice
- Orphan
- Apprentice
- True
- False

Sample Questions

Oliver has no parents. This is what you call a child who has no parents.

Orphan

True or False: Oliver and the boys at the work house are treated kindly.

False

The boys at the work house are tired and starving. Mr. Bumble is a selfish and cruel man.
Click here for a video of students playing jeopardy!

Oliver Twist Jeopardy.m4v
Character Study...

1. Go to this website: http://teacher.scholastic.com/activities/scrapbook/

2. Type in the book title: *Oliver Twist*

3. Type in the character name: *Oliver*

4. Now make the character look like Oliver from the book. Add: hair, eyes, a nose, a mouth, and clothes.

5. Next: Use Your Character Information Grid to type information about Oliver into the box.

6. Print your work when you are done!
Sample Character Study...
Play review writing...

I saw a play of the

I thought the costumes and sets were

I thought the actors and actresses were

My favorite character(s) was/were

I think the best part was when

I thought this play was

Play

Costumes/Sets

Actors/Actresses

Favorite character

Best Part

great

awesome

beautiful

ugly

boring

good

cool

okay

neat
Sample Play Review...

I saw a play of the Oliver Twist. I thought the costumes and sets were beautiful. I thought the actors and actresses were funny and awesome. My favorite character was Fagin and Mr. Bumble. I think the best part was when Mr. Brownlow takes care of Oliver and Oliver Lives Happily Ever After with Mr. Brownlow. I thought this play was great.

Jacob

Students at Wheelock Theater...
Smartboard vocabulary practice....

Multiple Choice

Q.1
A person who lives in the work house.

A. feedy  
B. inmate  
C. mother  
D. baby

Spelling

Word: r v l e t  
j  
A. library  
B. write

Definition Matching

Word: everyone is included no matter what.

A. included  
B. segregation  
C. integration

Hangman

Fill in the blank

Drag text here

Picture Matching

B. Brown the Board of Education  
C. integration  
D. African American
Bulletin board...
Now Go explore!
Get hands on with our iPads, Computers, Smartboard, and Folders
Oliver Twist Resources

**Website**
http://teacher.scholastic.com/activities/scrapbook/

**Youtube Videos**
The Life of Charles Dickens
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=unKuZ2wINdw
Lego character synopsis
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tFayKhoMRvA

**Apps**

**Project and Trip Ideas**
Go to see a play, watch a movie, create a review, make your own movie, jeopardy or interactive Smartboard games.

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Other ideas for differentiating instruction...

**Websites**

**Kahoot!**
https://getkahoot.com/ - this website allows you to create customized quizzes and students can play along on the iPad.

**Facebook**
http://www.classtools.net/TF/home-page - allows you to create an imagined Facebook page from the perspective of a character from your book.

**Kidblog**
http://kidblog.org/home/ - teachers or students can create a blog with pictures, video, attachments, or comments about literature units.

**Edmodo.com** and **www.twitter.com** allow students to live blog during class or reading sessions with questions and observations.

**Padlet**
www.padlet.com - allows teachers and students to make "interactive" pin boards with audio, video, photo, and text.

**Apps**

**Educreations** is a free app that allows you to illustrate and demonstrate your knowledge. Great for book reports!

**Quiz Maker** is a free app where you can make quick fun quizzes for the iPad. You can include a picture and audio clue.