

# Your Library Today



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## Not Your Momma's Encyclopedia!

Great News! Your LMC has purchased access to new resources that you can use at school, share with your family, and access from any computer on the Internet – **World Book Online!**

From **SPASD** network computers, you will have complete access. From other computers connected to the Internet, you can access **World Book Online** using:

- **Username:** spsdworldbook
- **Password:** readingisfun

You'll find a complete suite of information, ideally suited for everyone. **World Book Online** includes the following sections:

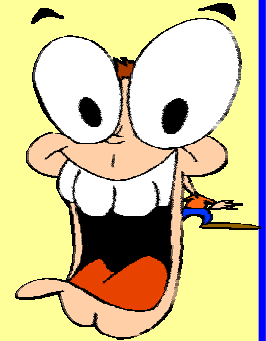
**World Book Kids.** This section is designed for grades K-5. With content from the award winning **World Book Student Discovery Encyclopedia**, World Book Kids offers simpler navigation, thousands of colorful illustrations, diagrams, and maps, and dozens of activities tied to national curriculum standards. Designed specifically for younger students, World Book Kids provides them with an online learning experience that is both informative and fun.

**World Book Student: Grades 4-9.** The new version of **World Book Reference Center** contains articles, multimedia, web sites, and much more. This comprehensive site includes all the articles from the 22-volume print set, more than 20,000 photos, maps, videos, and sound clips. There is also a biography center that provides information on important people, a collection of research tools such as a time line builder, individual research accounts that allow users to save their articles and content, and a

### New At Your LMC: World Book Online!

Generations of kids have grown up using the two major encyclopedias, **Britannica** and **World Book**. Today each has an online service – a variety of digital resources and multimedia that meet the needs of today's youth. Most of us have ideas about what we expect when we use encyclopedias – let's be clear from the start: **"This ain't your momma's World Book!"**

**World Book Web** provides media centers, students, and teachers the option of choosing from a variety of online resources to meet different information and learning needs. Because this suite is packaged with four different programs, targeting different uses (as well as two programs in Spanish), the online version of **World Book** is fun for EVERYBODY!



**Imagine the shock when folks see the NEW World Book Online**

research wizard that provides information about how to do a research assignment.

**World Discover: Grades 6-12.** A new resource designed specifically for students who read below the level of their peers, this latest addition to the **World Book Web** provides content, tools, and features to help bridge the achievement gap and support differentiated instruction. World Book Discover features read-aloud and translation capabilities; more video; and clear, easy-to-read articles. Among the key features of World Book Discover are easy-to-read articles on topics that interest older students accompanied by reading comprehension questions to help readers focus on key concepts. A text-to-speech feature allows students to hear text read aloud. For visual learners, World Book Discover includes a visual dictionary with text in English, Spanish, and French along with **World Book Explains**, a searchable video series that features experts from NASA, Sea World, the National Park Service, Carnegie Hall, and other notable institutions.

**World Book Advanced: Grades 8-12+.** Containing more than 1.3 million pages of primary sources including books and documents that are fully integrated into

the encyclopedia content, World Book Advanced offers students in high school and above the ability to utilize a fully functional resource that extends beyond the printed volumes. Research and teaching tools within the database include time lines, citation builder, current magazine selections, classroom activities, lesson plans, discussion guides, and saved research options.

### Special Note to Students

The online version of World Book **DOES NOT** replace the print edition. For many purposes, books offer advantages. Please **DO NOT PRINT** anything from the online version on school printers that is not required for an assignment.

If you need information in print, please use the **World Books**. The advantage of the online version disappears if we do not use it effectively. We cannot afford to maintain access if students excessively print what they find in **World Book Online**. Please help us by using these resources responsibly – thanks!