

Ideas for All Grade Levels

Assessment

Collaboration

- ★ Group projects
- ★ Connect with individuals and communities outside of USM (experts, alumni and other schools)

Conversation and Discussion

- ★ School themes
- ★ Course topics
- ★ Current events
- ★ Listening and speaking in a foreign language
- ★ Field trips (preparation and/or reflection)
- ★ Building community (student buddies, student-created lessons for younger learners)

Digital Storytelling

- ★ Historical events
- ★ Myths and fairy tales
- ★ Curate an exhibit
- ★ Voice-overs on existing video clips

Final Projects

- ★ Presentations
- ★ Poems, artwork and video

Lessons

- ★ Student-created lessons
- ★ Professional development

Tutorials

- ★ Technology integration
- ★ School software
- ★ Library databases

Ideas for All Subjects

Athletics/Physical Education

- ★ Create a video archive/journal of skills

English

- ★ Book reviews
- ★ Discuss/respond to passages
- ★ Discuss and annotate images and film clips

Fine Arts (Music, Theatre and Visual Arts)

- ★ Inspect and annotate images
- ★ Class critiques
- ★ Student portfolios
- ★ Archive/journal of student drama sketches
- ★ Record and share student performances

History/Social Studies

- ★ Discuss and annotate images, maps and primary source materials
- ★ Use images and movies from Google Earth to explore battlefield topography and ancient sites

Mathematics

- ★ Identify patterns in an image
- ★ Describe solutions to word problems
- ★ Upload a grid to graph equations
- ★ Demonstrate and explain concepts

Science

- ★ Observe and describe processes
- ★ Experiments and lab reports
- ★ Tutorials explaining experiment setups
- ★ Comparative anatomy journals

World Languages

- ★ Mini-stories ("When I was 5, I..." practicing past tense)
- ★ Virtual tours of cities and famous sites
- ★ Student-created language lessons
- ★ Conversation practice
- ★ News broadcasts, public service announcements
- ★ Describe and compare items in an image
- ★ Introduce and describe families

Online Resources

[Digitally Speaking Wiki: Using VoiceThread for Digital Conversations](#)

Tips for planning and commenting

[Getting Started with VoiceThread](#)

Video tutorial covering the basics

[New York Public Library's VoiceThread Ideas for Classrooms](#)

Ideas for using the 750,000 images (primary source materials) in the NYPL's digital media gallery

[Seventeen Interesting Ways and Tips to Use VoiceThread in the Classroom](#)

[VoiceThread Library](#)

VoiceThread's own library of projects

[VoiceThread Ning](#)

Share ideas, learn new tips and find collaborative partners

[VoiceThread 4 Education Wiki](#)

Examples by subject and grade level

Additional Tools

- ★ www.keepvid.com for downloading YouTube videos
- ★ Your laptop's camera
- ★ Point-and-shoot cameras
- ★ [Flip video cameras](#)
- ★ [SMARTBoard SMART Recorder Tool](#) for video capture ([see another tutorial here](#))
- ★ [SnapzPro](#) screen and video capture tools (Mac only)
- ★ [QuickTime Pro](#) for simple video editing and video compression

**We're just getting started with ideas!
How will you use VoiceThread?**