

The Socially Networked Classroom
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Ideas for Starting Your Own Socially Networked Classroom

1. Talk about different forms of representation.
2. Allow and encourage students to compose using multimedia.
3. Do face-to-face activities that involve principles of digital reading and writing and social networking.
4. Teach students to manipulate images (copy and paste).
5. Require students to embed hyperlinks in some assignments.
6. Make assignments that mimic blogging (if it's not possible to do blogging itself.)
7. Use blogs to host not only student posts, but student work.
8. Use blogs to host class syllabi, notes, streaming video.
9. Practice using wikis to house your own stuff.
10. Practice collaborative activities using face-to-face simulations.
11. Transition elements of student portfolios into wikis.
12. Teach students how to create a professional profile.
13. Practice using Twitter and Facebook as class bulletin boards.