ICTs and the Teacher for Tonga

EDG14 Developing Learning Resources Graduate Certificate in Teaching Tonga Institute of Education

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Objectives

- Explain what ICT is
- Appreciate the 'changing' meaning of ICT
- Explain why ICT is important to the Teacher for Tonga
- Explain what Web 2.0 is
- Describe how Web 2.0 tools have the potentials to improve learning resources
- Aware of Tonga Education's position in regard to using ICT in teaching

What is ICT?

ICT:

- Information and communication technology.
- A variety of technologies used to create, communicate, and manage information.
 - → resources, machines, programs
- Meaning change with time

It's nothing new!

Slate

Pencil

Chalk

Radio

OHP +

Transparencies
Digital camera
iPodMedia-players
Computer Web1.0
iPad Transparencies
Telepho

et Video Telephone

TV

OHP markers

Blackboard

Whiteboard

Paper Ball-pen

ICT has the potential to improve quality of Tonga education by:

- 1. Improving access
 - ⇒ Asynchronous learning/teaching
 - Can learn anytime, anywhere
 - ⇒ Learning resources
 - Available 24/7
 - Diversity (print, audio, video)
 - Quality (and quantity)
- 2. Improve flexibility
 - ⇒ Asynchronous learning Discussion forum etc
 - ⇒ Synchronous learning Chat, Webinar, Skype

3. Improve relevance of curriculum:

- Promote learner independence; self-directed learning
- Promote collaboration, sharing.
- Learners become better prepared for the work-place

ICT is believed to have the potential to improve the quality of education by:

4. Improving motivation

- ⇒ Appealing texts, sounds, colours, movements
- ⇒ Learner wants to learn; interest intrinsic motivation

5. Promoting creativity

- ⇒ old things done in new ways
- \Rightarrow new things done in new ways

ICT is believed to have the potential to improve the quality of education by:

- 4. Transforming practice, perceptions
 - ⇒ learning environment
 - \Rightarrow pedagogy and content
- 5. Improving **Teacher education**
 - ⇒e.g. Cyber Teacher Training Centre(CCTC) South Korea

Knowledge of ICT in curriculum for long-term development

- 6. Access to ICTs in schools is critical for development
 - In developing countries, Access at home to ICT is low . E.g. Internet access 13.5% developing countries : 65% in developed countries)
 - ICTs knowledge and skills drive growth and productivity
 - Long-term economic competitiveness
 - Acknowledged by Pacific Islands Forum,
 FEdMMs

What Pacific Islands (including Tonga) Say About ICT?

- 1. 100% Agree ICT beneficial to PI students (Pacific e-learning Observatory)
- 2. The Tonga Declaration (June, 2010): Pacific Islands ICT Ministers declared that we:
- 1. Are committed to using ICT as a key tool for the development, governance and sustainable livelihood of the people of our countries;
- 2. Recognise that while ICTs have enormous potential for socio-economic development, they pose risks to our communities that need to be carefully managed;
- 3. Will work together to support the advancement of Pacific countries through improved deployment and use of ICTs in our societies; and
- 4. Endorse the concept of 'many partners, one team' in progressing a more coordinated and coherent approach to ICT development.

Forum Education Ministers Meeting (FEdMM), PNG, Oct 2010

Ministers are invited to:

- (a) **note** and accept the importance of ICT in Education in schools, tertiary institutions and the community;
- (b) **endorse** that a Working Group comprising regional and identified national representatives be established to work on a regional strategy in ICT in Education; and the group to be led by USP;
- (c) **note** that the strategy be holistic and aligned to the Framework for Action on ICT for Development in the Pacific and the PEDF; and
- (d) **support** appropriate trials of ICT in Education with sound measurement and evaluation to inform the Working Group.

Forum Education Ministers Meeting (FEdMM), Port Vila Vanuatu, May 2012

- Regional Framework for ICT in Education in the Pacific
 - Submitted by ICT Working Group (USP/SPC)
 - A response to FEdMM 2010 request for regional guidelines for ICT in education
 - Highlighted:
 - ICT an essential part of Pacific Island society
 - ICT to enable flexible and student-centred learning
 - To influence social development
 - ENDORSED by FEdMM

What is Tonga education's position regard to ICT in Teacher Ed?

PRIORITY!

TOP PRIORITIES FOR 2012-2015

- Development of core modules for ICT teacher education to be delivered to untrained graduate teachers in the outer islands and in the main district areas, using online resources.
- 2. Training of teachers to develop supportive online materials at various higher education levels.
- Provision of ongoing capacity building workshops to upskill teachers to use ICT in the teaching and learning processes.
- 4. Creating a new physical infrastructure in Tonga Institute of Higher Education that can provide ongoing technical support to train teachers to use ICT and the delivery of TVET curriculum programmes ie creative technology in the primary level and design technology at the postsecondary level.

Source: Heimuli, P. (2011). Kingdom of Tonga: Focal point. A country report. Available at: www.col.org/SiteCollectionDocuments/.../CP_TONGA_2011.pdf

- 1. "... there is a great need to include the development of an ICT teacher competency in the Tonga Institute of Education and Higher Education."
- 2. "... to develop the ICT manuals to be used by teacher educators as well as teachers in Tonga. Ongoing support is very much needed to carry out capacity building workshops for teachers in Tonga on ICT."

Source: Heimuli, P. (2011). Kingdom of Tonga: Focal point. A country report. Available at: www.col.org/SiteCollectionDocuments/.../CP_TONGA_2011.pdf

Our Challenges to ICT integration in Education

- Connectedness
 - Low bandwidth (connection speed/traffic)
 - Vast distances between remote islands, communities
 - Connectedness costly
- Small commercial markets
 - limited spending potentials
 - Not attractive to investment

(PacificIT.org, 2006-2007)



Table 2. Top challenges for educational ICT development

- 1. Lack of adequate financing
- 2. Lack of skilled personnel
- Poor access to infrastructure and ICT equipment
- 4. Low awareness about the benefits of ICT
- Ineffective secondary infrastructures such as electricity, roads and related services
- Low connectivity speeds and inadequate networks
- Difficulties in maintaining and repairing broken equipment
- 8. Lack of integration of ICT into the curriculum and outdated curricula
- 9. Lack of 'ICT culture'
- 10. Lack of trust and suspiciousness about ICT

(Whelan, 2007)

WORLD INTERNET USAGE 2010

WORLD INTERNET USAGE AND POPULATION STATISTICS								
World Regions	Population (2010 Est.)	Internet Users Dec. 31, 2000	Internet Users Latest Data	Penetration (% Population)	Growth 2000-2010	Users % of Table		
<u>Africa</u>	1,013,779,050	4,514,400	110,931,700	10.9 %	2,357.3 %	5.6 %		
<u>Asia</u>	3,834,792,852	114,304,000	825,094,396	21.5 %	621.8 %	42.0 %		
<u>Europe</u>	813,319,511	105,096,093	475,069,448	58.4 %	352.0 %	24.2 %		
Middle East	212,336,924	3,284,800	63,240,946	29.8 %	1,825.3 %	3.2 %		
North America	344,124,450	108,096,800	266,224,500	77.4 %	146.3 %	13.5 %		
Latin America/Caribbean	592,556,972	18,068,919	204,689,836	34.5 %	1,032.8 %	10.4 %		
Oceania / Australia	34,700,201	7,620,480	21,263,990	61.3 %	179.0 %	1.1 %		
WORLD TOTAL	6,845,609,960	360,985,492	1,966,514,816	28.7 %	444.8 %	100.0 %		

(Source: Internet World Statistics: http://www.internetworldstats.com/)

WORLD INTERNET USAGE 2012

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World Regions	Population (2011 Est.)	Internet Users Dec. 31, 2000	Internet Users Latest Data		Penetration (% Population)	Growth 2000-2011	Users % of Table
<u>Africa</u>	1,037,524,058	4,514,400	139,875,24	12 C	13.5 %	2,988.4 %	6.2 %
<u>Asia</u>	3,879,740,877	114,304,000	1,016,799, <mark>7</mark>	rô C	26.2 %	789.6 %	44.8 %
Europe	816,426,346	105,096,093	500,723,68	36	61.3 %	376.4 %	22.1 %
Middle East	216,258,843	3,284,800	77,020, <mark>(</mark>) 5 (35.6 %	2,244.8 %	3.4 %
North America	347,394,870	108,096,800	273,067,	16	78.6 %	15 2 .6 %	12.0 %
Latin America / Carib.	597,283,165	18,068,919	235,819,74	10	39.5 %	1,205.1 %	10.4 %
Oceania / Australia	35,426,995	7,620,480	23,927, <mark>4</mark> 5	57	67.5 %	214.0 %	1.1 %
WORLD TOTAL	6,930,055,154	360,985,492	2,267,233,74	12	32.7 %	528.1 %	100.0 %

(Source: Internet World Statistics: http://www.internetworldstats.com/)

We're seemed to be doing fine

Without NZ and Australia

Internet Usage and Population Statistics for Oceania								
<u>OCEANIA</u>	Population (2011 Est.)	% Pop. Oceania	Internet Usage, 31-Dec-11	% Population (Penetration)	User Growth (2000-2011)	% Users Region		
American Samoa	67,242	0.2 %	3,040	4.5 %	n/a	0.0 %		
<u>Australia</u>	21,766,711	61.4 %	19,554,832	89.8 %	196.3 %	81.7 %		
Cook Islands	11,124	0.0 %	6,000	53.9 %	n/a	0.0 %		
<u>Fiji</u>	0883,125	02.7 %	162,880	18.4 %	2,071.7 %	0.7 %		
<u>Kiribati</u>	100,743	0.3 %	8,959	8.9 %	795.9 %	0.0 %		
Marshall Islands	67,182	0.2 %	6,540	9.7 %	1,208.0 %	0.0 %		
<u>Micronesia</u>	106,836	0.3 %	22,213	20.8 %	1,010.7 %	0.1 %		
<u>Nauru</u>	9,322	0.0 %	340	3.6 %	0.0 %	0.0 %		
New Caledonia	256,275	0.7 %	87,420	34.1 %	264.3 %	0.4 %		
New Zealand	4,290,347	12.1 %	3,625,553	84.5 %	336.8 %	15.2 %		
<u>Niue</u>	1,311	0.0 %	1,100	83.9 %	144.4 %	0.0 %		
Papau New Guinea	6,187,591	17.1 %	125,000	2.0 %	0 % %	0.6 %		
<u>Samoa</u>	193,161	0.5 %	12,816	6.6 %	2,463.2 %	0.1 %		
Solomon Islands	571,890	1.6 %	26,907	4.7 %	1,245.4 %	0.1 %		
<u>Tokelau</u>	1,384	0.0 %	800	57.8%	1,112.1 %	0.0 %		
<u>Tonga</u>	105,916	0.3 %	12,487	11.8 %	1,148.7 %	0.1 %		
<u>Tuvalu</u>	10,544	0.0 %	4,300	40.8 %	0.0 %	0.0 %		
Vanuatu	224,564	0.6 %	19,172	8.5 %	539.1 %	0.1 %		

Web 2.0 in the classroom

Today, ICT in the classroom is about Web 2.0

Web 2.0? What is it?

Meaning is broad, therefore vague. But it represents:

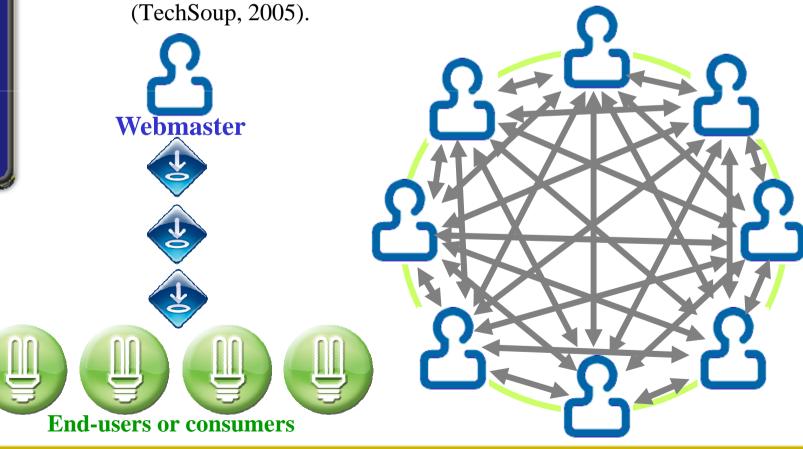
1. A Turning point – a Renaissance for the web (O'Reilly, 2009)

Web 1.0 $\Rightarrow \Rightarrow$ Web 2.0

2. A philosophy regarding how we use the web to learn:

Web 1.0 – we are consumers of Internet data; we passively absorb what's available. Webmasters (companies) own data.

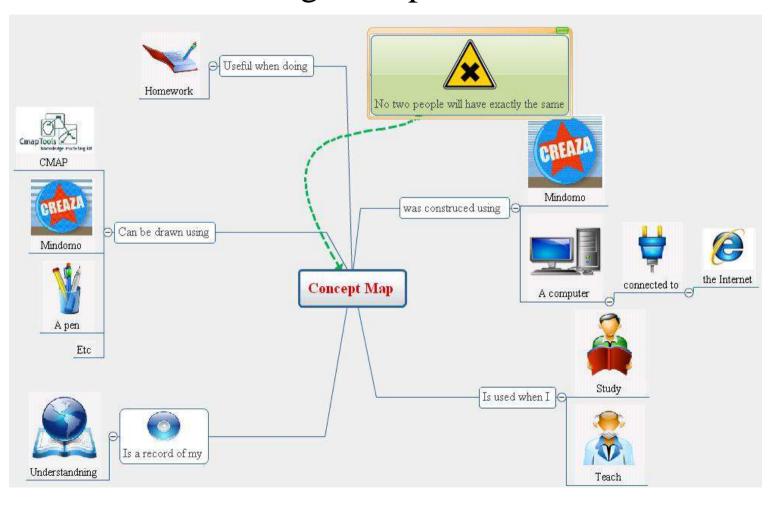
Web 2.0 - we are (or should be) active contributors, helping customize media and technology for our own purposes (TechSoup, 2005).



- A group of Web Applications
 - E.g. Weblogs (blogs), FaceBook, Twitter,
 Flickr, YouTube, Edmoto, Webquests, Diigo,
 Youblisher, Engrade, Wikis, RSS-Feed, ...etc,
 etc, etc there are hundreds of these.

Concept mapping tools

You create concept maps, share them with others, embed using code provided.



Book-marking tools

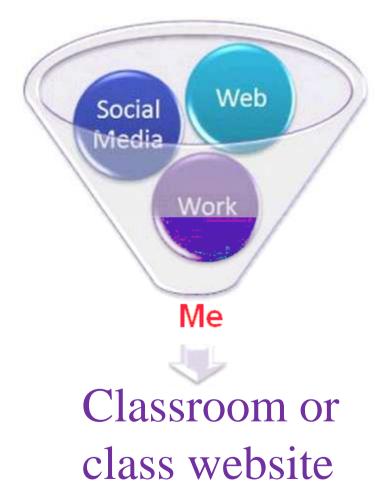
You bookmark websites, add sticky-notes, share with your network. E.g. **Diigo**, **Delicious**





Filters and Aggregators

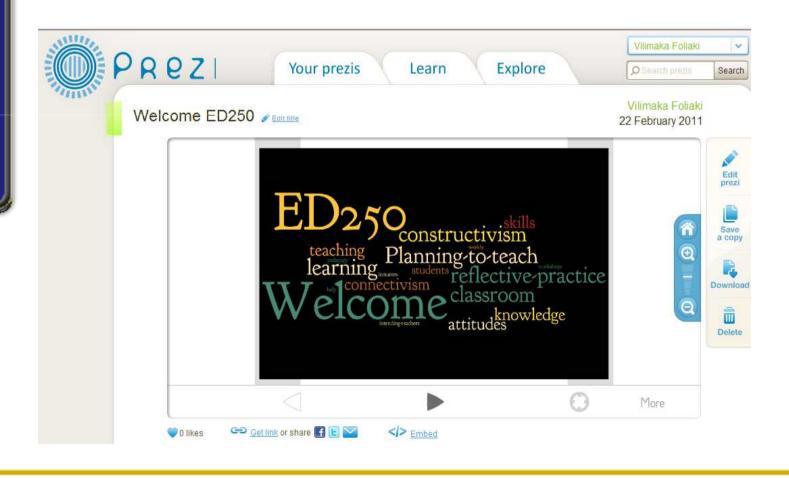




Tools for

Presentation (Prezi.com)

+ Word clouds (Wordle.net)

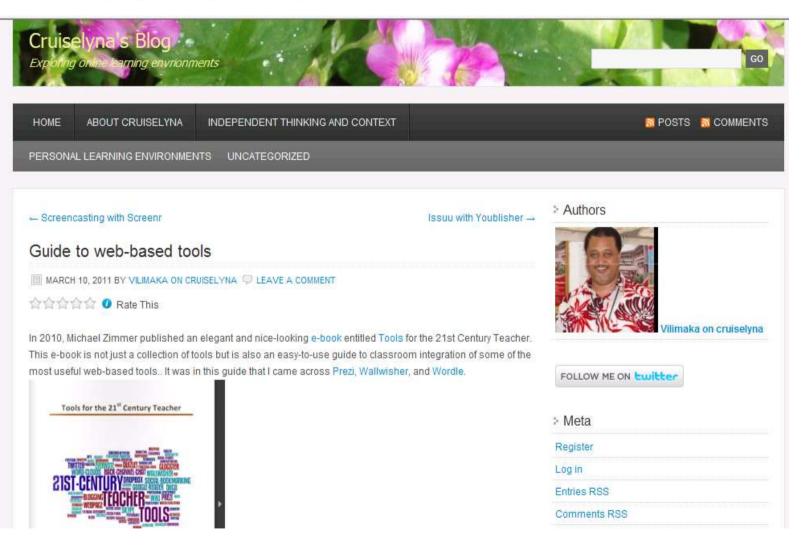


Slideshare (Authorstream.com)



(http://www.authorstream.com/Presentation/StoneB-436108-tram-slideshow2/)

Blogging (e.g. WordPress.com)



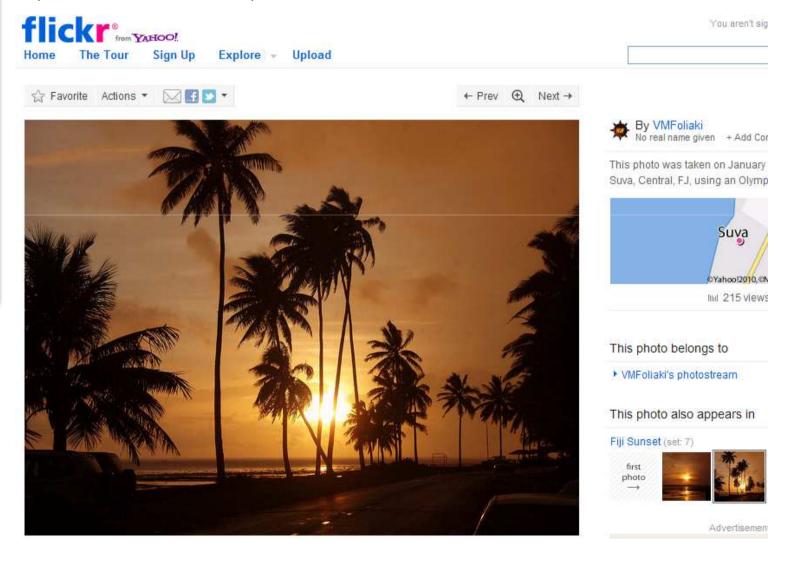
http://cruiselyna.wordpress.com/2011/03/10/guide-to-web-based-tools/

Self-Publishing (Issuu, Youblisher, Bookr)



http://www.youblisher.com/p/105454-Teacher-Observation-Form/

Photo-hosting and sharing (Flickr.com)



Video hosting and sharing (YouTube, TeacherTube, Vimeo).







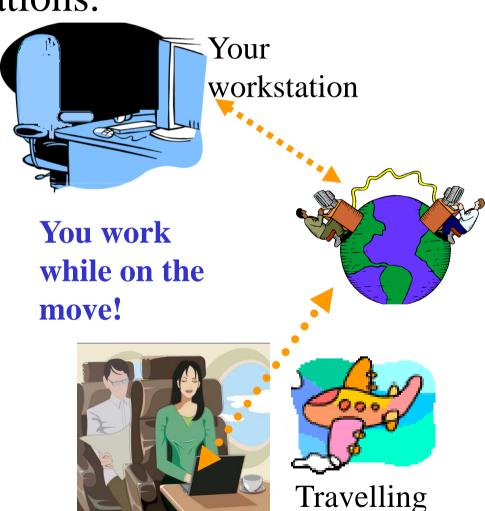
Note: Each of these Web 2.0 applications has multiple functionality - for each service the primary positioning has been used

Web 2.0 Applications (or Tools)

• These help to cater for limitations of desktop applications.



- •Your workstation at School/Home.
- Your classroom at school



Web 2.0 Applications

- Change the web >> "Participatory-web"
 - Encourage participation & collaboration in social media dialogue
- Encourage a culture of sharing.
- There is collective intelligence from synergy of collaboration. E.g. Wikipedia
- Democratic Openness and Freedom

Why Web 2.0 Applications in the classroom

- Your students
 - born after 1985, PC computer increasingly available
- Many are impacted by digital technology "Digital Natives"
 - (e.g. PC, Internet, mobile phones, Computer games, portable media players – mp3s, Ipods.
- Net Generation were born in the internet age
- Our existing education system was NOT designed for this new generation – your students!

Digital Natives

- Rarely enter a library
- Rarely use the traditional encyclopedia;
 Use Wikipedia instead
- Use the Internet, SEARCH engines (Google, Yahoo, etc).
- Converse using:
 - SMS texting
 - Social networking Face Book, MySpace, Twitter etc.
- Short Attention span
- They are CONNECTED 24/7!

By their 21st Birthday

- They would have:
 - Spent 10,000 hrs Video games
 - Sent more than 200,000 emails
 - Watched 20,000 hrs TV
 - Watched more than 400,000 TV Ads
 - Spent only 5,000 hrs reading books!

(Marc Prensky, 2001)

"Digital Natives" think differently!

- Children raised with the computer —Think differently.
- Do they have short attention span?
 - To Digital Immigrants (i.e. Many of us), they have "Short Attention Span" or ADD.
 - Attention isn't short when they are interested in the task (computer game, etc)
 - They need INTERACTIVITY immediate response (from teacher, friends, etc)
 - They choose NOT to be attentive. They are not interested. The traditional lesson IS NOT stimulating enough!

Use Web 2.0 Tools in teaching!

- They are part of your students' world!
- They appeal more to students of today!
- They are social >>> they are interactive
- They are **free** (or becoming increasingly affordable)
- They expand the boundaries of your classroom >>> address diversity of learning styles/needs.
- They make teaching/learning more flexible
- They improve effectiveness of teaching/learning.

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