Digital Human Library

~ Delivering authentic experiential learning opportunities across Canada ~

Who's New?

In 2017 the **Digital Human Library** has welcomed: **Gary Loper,** Twitter Expert and Mindset Coach

Ron Samul, Writer and Jouralist

Rob Leeper, Trama/ ACS Surgeon and Doctor **Adaptamap**

Simon Wiesenthal Centre for Holocaust Survivors

3DC.io, Modeling, Printing, Game Development

Rusul Alrulbail, *Social Advocate, Writer*

Glen Warren, *Warren Media*

Jason Eaglespeaker, *Indigenous Author ad Graphic Novelist*

… to name a few! Our newest experts join hundreds of dHL Experts in **all** curriculum subject areas that are waiting to connect with your students!

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New Partnerships Helping Us Grow

The Digital Human Library is in the process of designing a NEW! Partnership model that will be used to grow the library locally and regionally, and extend our programming to other students in countries around the world.

Our first International Partnership was formed with Glen Warren, National Partnership Director, USA. Glen is currently working on building his own dedicated team of influential educational leaders who will join us to create even more connections-based learning opportunities for teachers and students.

WE NEED YOU! The Digital Human Library is currently looking for Teacher Librarians interested in joining our team at various levels to help shape the future of the library. Interested? Contact us to learn more!

Are you new to video conferencing? It's as easy as clicking on a link or downloading some free software.

Your registration is your library card! Register once, and log in to gain access to the full library of Experts for **free**!

Connect using free video conferencing platforms like Skype, Adobe, Google+. . .

A Kids' Guide to Canada Re-Opens September 2017!

AKGTCanada is a national teacher-led initiative created by Canadian elementary school teachers from across the country, sponsored by the Digital Human Library, Canadian Education Association, Esri Canada, ihub Niagara, Orion, Canadian Geographic Education, MediaSmarts Canada and 20+ more incredible Canadian organizations.

Beginning on January 1st 2017, the Kids' Guide to Canada project began inviting every elementary student in Canada to personally contribute to the celebrations of Canada's 150th birthday!

We're asking kids to collaborate and help create the very first multi-lingual interactive guide to Canada, which has been produced BY kids and FOR kids!

We're challenging students in every corner of the country to investigate, honour, and introduce the land and people of their local school communities to their peers, in their native language.

With a special focus on connecting students in marginalized, remote, minority language, and Indigenous communities, the project is providing students with an exciting opportunity to use their choice of tools, both old and new, to meet and build relationships with their peers from sea-to-sea.

Building student capacity for intercultural understanding, empathy and respect.

A Kids' Guide to Canada - By Kids, For Kids
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Reconciliation

More than just a word. Let's make it tangible in every Canadian classroom in 2017.

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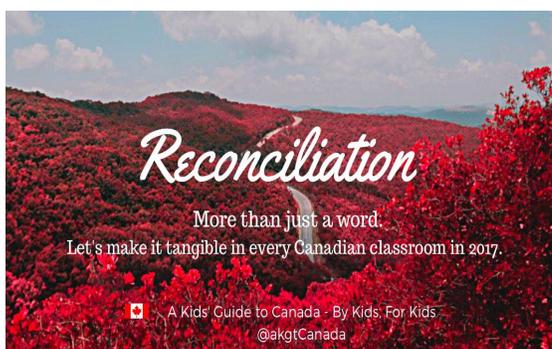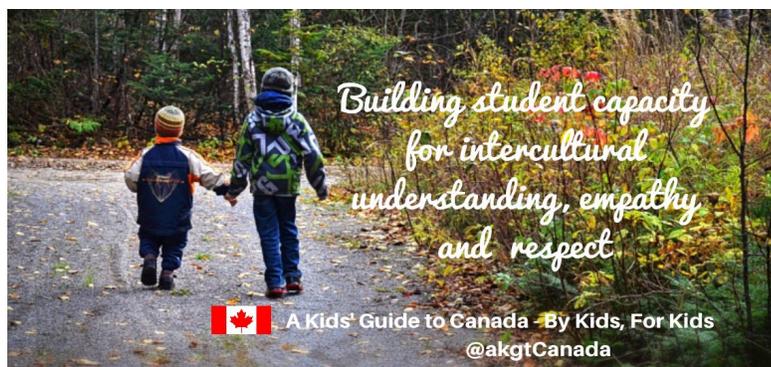
Peer-to-peer connections, inquiry, and collaborative learning are at this project's heart and soul. In this historic 150th birthday collaboration, the youngest students of our Canadian, First Nation, Métis, and Inuit Nations have a very real opportunity to contribute to a new culture of mutual understanding, empathy, and respect - where all children can grow up and celebrate being 'Strong, Proud, and Free'.
Visit the Kids' Guide to Canada website to learn more!
Follow us on Twitter @akgtCanada

Walk With Us Project

Walk With Us (WWU) is a digital storytelling and mapping project based in the city of Timmins in North Eastern Ontario led by elementary educator Melissa Lavoie. WWU endeavors to complete 360' image captures in the Indigenous communities along the James Bay coast / Treaty 9 territory to, quite literally, put the students' communities on the map. WWU project is partnered with the Digital Human Library, Google Earth Outreach, Canadian Geographic, WalkInto and CreativeXistence 360. We are working together to provide educators and students with a powerful means of producing their own virtual tours, with their own

Our project involves using free virtual tour building software called WalkInto, 360' cameras (Ricoh Theta S) and Google Street View as a storytelling platform for youth. Our students will share stories of their upbringing, culture, and traditions, and to discuss the issues that affect them. We hope to increase awareness of some of the challenges Indigenous communities face, and foster hope in the connections we create in order to spread positive messaging and resilience. This project will teach skills that actively prepare learners for the 21st century.

To learn more about Walk With Us Project, please visit our #WalkWithUsProject website, or connect with us @WWUProject #WalkWithUsProject

The Digital Human Library Needs Volunteers!

Volunteering to improve the kinds of educational experiences offered in schools is one of the most fulfilling ways to be part of your community. At the Digital Human Library, we know that caring members of a community are essential to our success, providing invaluable contributions to children in our schools.

As the dHL continues to grow, so does our need for volunteers. If you are looking for opportunities to make a long-lasting, positive difference in the lives of students in your community, across Canada, and around the world, then we need you!

We offer excellent opportunities, training, and support, and we work with you to ensure your time spent with us is productive, and fun!

Contact us to learn more about how you can get involved!   **admin@digitalhumanlibrary.org**

Cassell's Grade 2s connecting with kids in Colombia

Tips for Teachers to Get Connected

Free resources including checklists & information to help you get the

Video Conferencing

Learn more about the variety of free platforms available for you to connect with experts!

Global Connections

Connect your students with classes around the world to collaborate

Why use the Digital Human Library?

Support student inquiry with access to <u>hundreds</u> of dHL Experts and organizations in all areas of the curriculum from grades K-12. Offer your students the opportunity to learn something new by introducing them to new people, places, and experiences. Create opportunities for your students to build relationships with a variety of global learning partners. Provide your students with a better understanding of their learning as it applies in the world beyond the school, while also helping them develop the interpersonal skills they need to be successful. Why? Because connecting with others and building relationships is how we learn.

Get Inspired!

Cassell's Grade 2s connecting with Royal Botanical Gardens to learn about insects.

Visit with a **Planetary Scientist** and travel to space to learn about Mars. Explore coding and robotics with **D&D Automation's TechKnow Crew**. Want to take a class trip to the *North Carolina Zoo*? Or chat with an award-winning *Children's Author*? How about visiting the *Art Gallery of Ontario* or *Old Jail Art Centre* for an art history lesson? Or brush up on your photography skills with a lesson from **Professional Photographer Nicole Kaufman**. Why not build Scribblebots with the *Forth Worth Museum of Science and History* to learn the scientific concepts of electricity, force and motion with a wildly creative outcome?

Are you a high school science or math teacher? Connect with *Virtual Researchers on Call (VROC)* and study with STEM experts from Canadian universities. Or be inspired to make a difference in the world by collaborating with the *Centre for Global Education* and work with students and experts around the world on projects that explore global issues and the potential youth have to shape a better common future. All of these exciting new opportunities and more are just an email away. Why not try something new?

Virtual Tours & Virtual Reality

Did you know that the Digital Human Library hosts the largest collection of educational multi-media virtual tours on the web? Take your students on a trip to cities around the world through live cameras. Watch eagles nesting or take a virtual boat ride down the Panama Canal. Visit famous exhibits and museums like the Saskatchewan Indian Cultural Centre, Andy Warhol Museum, Museum of Glass, Museum of Science and History, Lake Superior Marine Museum, Museum for Insects, or the Museum to Unnatural Mystery (Did you even know these existed???)

Tour places of business, theme parks, sports venues, aquifers, deserts, mines, or the Great Barrier Reef. With hundreds of multi-media virtual tours to choose from, you and your students can learn more about the world to inform the conversations you have with others in the world!

NEW!!! Badges for Teachers and Experts

Digital Human Library Expert Badge

Digital Human Library Teacher Badge

Download your new badge to display on your website, blog or social media profiles!
Visit digitalhumanlibrary.org/blog to get your badge today!

We hope you will share the Digital Human Library with your colleagues and friends to create even more connections-based learning opportunities for kids!

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