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ARTICLE

This month's article "**Copyright for Teachers and Students**"is from the September 27, 2017 online blog, Practical Ed Tech: Professional Development by Richard Byrne. Many students and educators are either unaware or misinformed on copyright issues related to the internet. In this short post/article, Byrne provides resources (videos and hyperlinks) to help the layperson better understand what is and is not allowed when using online images and resources. (JM)

RESOURCES

This week I will offer up an indispensable website for ELA teachers, **Project Gutenberg** (**https://www.gutenberg.org/wiki/Main_Page**). This site houses the full online texts of over 50,000 titles available in the public domain. You can search by category, title or author. Most works are available in multiple formats to either read online or download to a Kindle, iPad etc… This is a valuable resource for you and your students since the texts are searchable allowing one to jump to a specific word or passage in the work. (JM)

GAME CORNER

Hour of Code

Every December since 2013, schools around the world have participated in the "Hour of Code (https://hourofcode.com/us)." The Hour of Code is an initiative started by Hadi Partovi the CEO of Code.org whose purpose is to teach Computer Science through online (and offline) tutorials and activities. Any teacher can sign his or her class up for the hour of code (this year, December 4-10). Students can choose which activities to try based on age level and theme. The hope is that this introduction to Computer Science will lead to further engagement throughout the school year.
For more coding sites: http://www.techlearning.com/blogentry/11513   (JM)

TECHNOLOGY TIP

Deleting data from device(s):

Whenever you upgrade to a new laptop, smartphone or tablet you must decide what to do with your old device. Whether you plan on selling it, handing it down, or recycling it, you want to make sure none of your information/files remain. This video offers you basic steps to take to delete information on popular devices. Most of the methods involve using the OS (Operating System software) on the device. (JM)

- Wiping data from Android and iPhones:
  https://www.wired.com/story/how-to-wipe-your-phone-before-you-sell-it/
- Deleting data from Apple products: https://support.apple.com/en-us/HT201351
- Removing data from a computer (from Microsoft):
  https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/safety/online-privacy/safely-dispose-computers-and-devices.aspx