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Three new online resources offer enjoyable, educational content for early learners

Spokane, WA | July 9, 2024 – Spokane County Library District announces three new online resources for young children and their educators that make learning enjoyable and entertainment educational: **BookFlix**, **Just for Kids**, and **Teachables**.

These resources can be accessed at all SCLD libraries or from anywhere with an internet connection with an in-district library card. Find all three in the Digital Library at www.sclcd.org/digital-library.

BookFlix pairs animated, narrated fiction videos with popular nonfiction books from Scholastic on similar topics. Each fictional picture book has been made into a video by Weston Woods, a production company that makes audio and short films based on well-known books for children.

BookFlix is designed to bridge the transition from learning to read to reading to learn. Each pairing can be watched and read by a child, together with child and adult, or the child can use the read-aloud feature to follow along with the narrator and text on the screen.

Just for Kids offers popular videos for children that are kid-safe, advertisement-free, and entertaining while educational. Parents never have to worry about ads interrupting videos and taking their children out of the Just for Kids platform. Just for Kids is designed for pre-kindergarten to elementary-school age learners.

Some of the most well-known names in children's programming are available, including *Franklin*, *Arthur*, *Sesame Street*, *Reading Rainbow*, *Jim Henson*, *The Berenstain Bears*, *Dr. Seuss*, and *The Electric Company*. In addition to videos, each subject area also includes games, audio files and music, and interactive elements to keep early learners engaged as they discover a learning environment that is fun, safe, and entertaining.

Teachables is a helpful resource for parents and teachers of children, pre-kindergarten through grade 8. This resource includes printable lesson plans and activity sheets. Activities are updated continually and include seasonal options, offering high-quality, engaging, and trusted resources.

Created by teachers and precisely leveled, these high quality, ready-to-use resources support parents preparing kids for kindergarten readiness, homeschool teachers and learners, and young learners who need extra skills practice. Teachables is easy to use and proven to work.

Spokane County Library District provides resources, experiences, and places that empower people to learn, explore, and succeed. The District operates 10 libraries that include Airway Heights, Argonne, Cheney, Deer Park, Fairfield, Medical Lake, Moran Prairie, North Spokane, Otis Orchards, and Spokane Valley as well as the mobile library LINC. District library cards are free to Spokane County residents.

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